

# CITY OF HEATH

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#### **HEATH CITY COUNCIL**

July 3, 2023

#### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

President Tim Kelley called The Regular Meeting of Heath City Council to order June 20, 2023 at 7:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. The Invocation delivered by D. Morrow. T. Dupps called the Roll Call with Council Members; Crabill, Porter, Roberts, Cole, Kelley, Morrow, Moretti. D. Morrow moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting June 20, 2023. Second by Porter. All in Favor "Aye" Vote. Minutes Approved. Mayor Johns, J. Morrow Auditor. D. Morrison Law Director in attendance.

# Appointments:

## Promotion Lieutenant Curtis Musser:

Mayor swearing in Lieutenant Curtis Musser on his promotion with Heath City Fire Department. Congratulations!

# New Fire Fighter Dylan Beatty:

Mayor swearing in Dylan Beatty newest member of the Heath Fire Department of the City of Heath - Firefighter/Paramedic. Congratulations!

Heath High School Athletes - Presented by Mayor Johns of the City of Heath, Ohio.

# **Heath Track & Field:**

One of the responsibilities of the mayor of the City of Heath, Ohio is to recognize on occasions of outstanding significance. This evening we will start off with Tucker See and Allie Dunlap of Heath High School Track & Field. Both of them competed at The State Track Meet at Ohio State this past spring. We would like to congratulate them on their exemplary season.

## **Heath Baseball Team:**

Exceptional season record of 23-9. The team's accomplishments include Licking County League (LCL) Cardinal Division Champions, and Division III State Semi-Finalists.

Congratulations on their successful season and their hard work and dedication. Congratulations to Head Coach Tom Warren earned the title of Coach of the Year! Look forward to continued celebrations with Heath Baseball Team.

## Visitors:

Rick Platt 851 Irving Wick Drive W. Heath, Ohio. I am with The Port Authority. I am here in support of your resolution being read this evening. This would allow us to take the official steps through the Common Pleas Court. This process allows this to be approved for any railroad crossing of a public street. We have no immediate intension of installing at the moment. If a prospect/company comes and this is a possibility for them to use having it already preapproved is beneficial as it could take up to 9 months with the process.

Tim Kelley – Do you have an exact location where this will be?

Response – The geography limits it somewhat. AEP opened a substation a few years ago. It has to be to the west of there. Only go no further than a couple hundred feet farther west. That will be the range will be filing and proposing to the court. We do not know precisely but this gives you some idea

# Committee Reports:

Finance/Budget: J. Crabill met this evening at 6:23 p.m. The following were discussed:

Approval of minutes: June 5, 2023 Committee Meeting. Motion by Porter to approve the minutes - Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote- All Favor "Aye" Vote — Minutes approved.

# Legislative Request:

- 1). An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of \$13,860.40 within the General Fund, Medical Billings Squad Services to General Administration Refunds. The City of Heath received these Provider Relief stimulus funds in April, 2020. The funds were not used and now must be returned to Health Resources and Services Administration.
- 2). A Resolution authorizing the City of Heath Law Director to sign stipulation of facts and an agreed judgement entry, granting a petition for an at-grade railroad crossing of Beaver Run Rod and declaring an emergency.
- 3). An Ordinance approving the Community Reinvestment Area application (1-2023) made by Vance Outdoors, Inc. for a proposed 20,000 SF building addition located at 704 International Drive (Parcel #030-089136-00.013).

## Other Items:

Approve MTD/YTD March Fund Report as to form. Motion by Cole. Second by Porter. All in favor" Aye" Vote. Approved

Crabill moved to adjourn into executive session to consider compensation of the City's unelected permanent full-time employees not covered by a collective – bargaining agreement.

The motion was seconded by Cole. A rollcall vote was taken, and all members voted in favor of the motion. The discussions were limited to the specific statutory reasons for the executive session, as set forth in Crabill's motion. At the conclusion of this discussion, the Committee went back on record at 7:34 p.m.

Finance Committee adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

<u>Public Services</u>: D. Morrow will meet July 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. The Public Service Committee scheduled for June 26, 2023 at 5:30 has been cancelled due to lack of agenda.

Public Safety: A. Porter met this evening July 3, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

# Police:

Police Chief Haren presented May Statistics.

Calls for Service	139
Offense Reports	119
Arrests	23
Accidents	29
Citations	48

Alarms - Total 41: Residential 0, Commercial 38, Panic 3

#### Updates:

Vaping Ordinance update:

The county gave a couple of options. The one agreed upon is drafting an ordinance for a permit and also require inspections of the product and facilities.

#### Visitors:

Matt Mason 475 Partridge Rd., Joan Mortine 480 Partridge Rd., Matt Offers 196 Fieldpoint., Jackie Richards 177 Fieldpoint Rd.

All the visitors were from the Southgate area. They came with concerns of the speed and traffic in their subdivision. We talked about various options including data measuring and devices to see if things are substantial to take further action on this.

The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

## Fire:

Fire Chief McCord presented May statistics.

 Fire Runs
 57

 YTD Fire Runs
 299

<u>EMS Runs</u> 219 <u>YTD EMS Runs</u> 1079

# **Transports**

Monthly Totals 140 YTD 658

# Other Items:

Tower Truck will go in for repairs on Monday for 3 days

## Personnel:

Larry Musser - New Lieutenant Sworn in this evening. Dylan Beatty - New Firefighter Sworn in this evening.

Adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

<u>Streets & Drainage</u>: J. Roberts will meet Aug. 7, 2023 at 5:30p.m. The meeting scheduled for Monday, July 3, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. has been cancelled due to lack of agenda.

Community Development & Zoning: P. Moretti will meet June 12, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.

The Community Development and Zoning Committee met June 12th at 5:31. We had a general development discussion where the mayor informed us that there was amendment to the funding bill in the State Senate that would affect zoning laws and encouraged us to look into the details of that amendment.

We had 2 legislative requests. The first was to approve the Pre-1994 CRA Vance outdoors addition. The second was a request to authorize the Law Director to sign to grant a petition for an at grade railroad crossing of Beaver Run Road.

Jared gave us ongoing project approval updates and discussed the projects that have moved to the construction phase, followed by a short update on the status of annexations. Our meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

<u>Parks, Recreation, and Davis Shai House:</u> D. Cole will meet Aug. 7, 2023 immediately following Streets & Drainage. Scheduled Meeting for Monday, July 3, 2023 has been cancelled due to lack of agenda.

Planning Commission: J. Crabill will meet June 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Reminder to everyone Special Meeting on Monday, June 26, 2023. Tim Kelley- this will be to discuss/consider compensation of the City's unelected permanent full-time employees not covered by any collective-bargaining agreement – Finance Committee - Executive Session

# **Ordinances on First Read:**

Ord.54-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$85,000 within the Municipal Motor License Tax Fund to Municipal Permissive Tax – Other Fixed Assets – Held Second Read

Ord.-55-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$13,860.40 within the General Fund, Medical Billings for Squad Services to General Administration — Refunds — Motion by Crabill to waive the second read Ord.55-2023. Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Motion to waive approved. Motion by Crabill to adopt Ord.55-2023. Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Ord.55-2023 Adopted

<u>Ord.56-2023</u> An Ordinance approving a tax exemption in Community Reinvestment Area #1 for the property located at 704 International Drive – <u>Held Second Read</u>

# **Ordinances on Second Read:**

<u>Ord.51-2023</u> An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$120,000 within the Capital Improvement Fund to Street – Cap Outlay – Buildings to be used to replace a building – Motion by Roberts to Adopt Ord.51-2023. Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. **Ord.51-2023 Adopted** 

# Resolutions First Read:

Resolution 2023-14 A resolution authorizing the Law Director to sign stipulations of facts and an agreed judgement entry granting a petition for an at-grade railroad crossing of Beaver Run Road and declaring an emergency – Motion by Moretti to waive the second read Res.2023-14 Second by Morrow. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Motion to waive approved. Motion by Moretti to Adopt Res.2023-14. Second by Morrow. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Res.2023-14 Adopted.

# **Resolutions Second Read**:

<u>Res.2023-12</u> A resolution finding it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation-Motion by Porter to Adopt Res.2023-12. Second by Roberts. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Res.2023-12 Adopted

<u>Res.2023-13</u> A resolution finding it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation—Motion by Porter to Adopt Res.2023-13. Second by Morrow. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "Aye" Vote. Res.2023-13 Adopted

## Reports of City Officials:

<u>Mayor</u> – Nice to see so many visitors with us this evening. It's always great that we can have new employees and promote from within and the quality of staff that we have in the city. Congratulations to all of the spring athletes who competed at the State Championship level. Again. Congratulations to The Heath Baseball Team. If you're not familiar with the make up of this team. 3 Seniors on this team and most of their best pitchers are coming back. Let's hope we have the crew back next year and hopefully with some hardware. Amanda is here Payroll/H.R. and I would like everyone to know...at least for the past couple of months she has been working hard with the changes to the employee's compensation. Running the pool sign ups for the first time and getting new employees information loaded. She is around here practically

More than I am the past couple of months. I want to recognize you for the job you have been doing for the last couple of months. She has gone above and beyond and spending so much time here in this building and taking time from your family. I appreciate what you are doing!

<u>Auditor J. Morrow</u> – Welcome guests! Congratulations to the two athletes. Tucker See and Allie Dunlap. Congratulations to our Heath Baseball Team. As the mayor said... We have a great chance to roll it right back there. Looking forward to that. It was brought up that there will be a Special Finance meeting Monday. My family and I will be in Florida. If you need anything before Friday at 4:30 p.m. Let me know and I will get to you. Hopefully you can get everything taken care of.

- <u>D. Morrow</u> Congratulations to Tucker See, Allie Dunlap and to The Heath Baseball Team. Great to be a Heath-in! Congratulations to Dylan Beatty and Lt. Musser
- <u>A. Porter</u> Congratulations to The Baseball Team, Tucker See and Allie Dunlap. A couple of baseball players will be on my golf team. Excited for that!! Congratulations to Dylan Beatty and Lt. Musser.
- P. Moretti Another "Congratulations" to everyone who was here this evening.
- <u>D. Cole</u> Welcome all of our guests! At the risk of being redundant. Congrats to Lt. Musser on your promotion and to our newest Firefighter Dylan Beatty and all the Heath Athletes. Seems to be trend for awhile. Keep up the good work!

- J. Roberts— Welcome to our remaining guests! Acknowledge the athletes. If you haven't been involved in athletics. It's hard to appreciate how difficult it is to make it to the level those athletes made it too. It happens very, very seldom. I think at least half of the schools in Licking County have never had this. Most have never even had State Qualifiers in baseball. Really quite an accomplishment. Always great to be a "Bull Dog" Mr. Porter ... If you could not screw up those baseball swings for your golf swings! I would appreciate it. Mr. Porter "During my season they are mine" I did think the discussion in Safety Committee about speeding in South Gate was interesting and generates a ton of thoughts in my world. We designed the Granville speed bump mentioned. There are definitely pros and cons. I have some strong thoughts on some normal thoughts and ideas. Proceed slowly and cautiously. Getting data is a great way to go. Finally, the two Firemen ... I appreciate.
- <u>J. Crabill</u>—Welcome Visitors! Congratulations to all The Heath Spring Athletes. Nice to see the baseball team do so well. Congratulation to Dave Klontz he is Hall of Fame LCL recently as well. Great role model and mentor. Congratulations to our newest Firefighter, Dylan Beatty and to his entire family and to the promotion of Curtis Musser as well.
- <u>T. Dupps</u> Shout out to Ginna for all that she does. She has a slammed day for The Star-Spangled Celebration and getting all this together this evening. She does a lot through the year and to the end on getting The Star-Spangled Celebration together. Thank You for all that you do! I also want to make sure to Thank... Our Law Director Mr. Morrison. I know I work a lot with him and I am very thankful. He does a lot for the entire city, myself and all the department heads. Thank you for all you do!
- J. Geller Congratulations to all the athletes and the coaches!
- **B. Shepherd** Congratulations to everyone on all of their accomplishments!
- <u>J. Lane</u> Congratulations to The Heath City Qualifiers and also to the appointments and promotions in the Fire Department.
- <u>Chief Haren</u>- Congratulations to all The Heath Athletes! Welcome Dylan Beatty and congratulations to Lt. Musser. I am a bit disappointed that we can't come together on the compensation package. We had everyone in the room and not one question asked of us and now on the third executive session. Frustrating on my part and sure on others. Look forward to seeing that being completed.
- <u>Chief McCord</u> Congratulations to all of The Heath Athletes! I look forward to the promotion of Lt. Curtis Musser. He has been working as an active Lt. for quite sometime now. He will do a fine job. Dylan Beatty did an incredible job on the interview process. H will be a fine asset to the city.
- <u>T. Kelley</u> I think all 11 of the non-elected permanent full-time employees are in the room. We recently were going to talk to you but we as council have had no time to get together to see what we were going to do and offer the 11 non-elected employees until we can come together on an agreement on what we are possibly wanted to give you guys. There is no reason to talk

to you, as we would just be telling you in generality. We are really close. This next Monday meeting – We are really close to final figures and to have it presented in an ordinance. You can then look at it and agree or disagree. We will have two readings on it and I think you all will be happy with it. It is more than I wanted to give. Until we finalize everything come next Monday, we should have one to replace the old ordinance. As far as I thought, once come up with this. All will be retro-active and come up with one pay, if you hang on for a couple of weeks. This is up to how accounting wants it to be done and easier to do. The 11 non-union employees are all individuals. It is the way it is done by our Charter. Sorry. It's the way it is. It would do no good for each one to come in and talk to us. We already had all your information. Not giving away the ship. Salary increase will be 8.5% or more and a lot of other stuff I cannot mention as it was in executive session with out giving away too much.

Motion by Crabill- Adjourn – Second by Cole – All in Favor "Aye" Meeting Adjourned.