



CITY OF HEATH

Mark D. Johns
Mayor

Jay R. Morrow
Auditor

David C. Morrison
Director of Law

1287 Hebron Road * Road *, OH 43056 * P: (740) 522-1420 * F: (740) 522-6324 * www.heathohio.gov

HEATH CITY COUNCIL

Jan. 2, 2024

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

President Tim Kelley called The Regular Meeting of Heath City Council to order Dec. 18, 2023 at 7:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. The Invocation delivered by Porter. T. Dupps called the Roll Call with Council Members; Roberts, Morrow, Crabill, Moretti, Cole, Porter, Kelley. Motion by Roberts to excuse Crabill. Second by Cole. All in favor "aye" vote. Motion excuse Crabill approved. D. Morrow moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting Dec. 18, 2023. Second by Porter. All in Favor "Aye" Vote. **Minutes Approved.** Mayor Johns, D. Morrison Law Director and J. Morrow Auditor in attendance

Committee Reports:

Finance/Budget: Cole, Vice Chair met this evening at 6:05 p.m. The following were discussed Approval of Minutes: December 4, 2023 Committee Meeting. Motion by Porter to approve the minutes - Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote- All Favor "Aye" Vote – Minutes approved.

Auditor J. Morrow reviewed legislative requests.

Legislative Requests:

- 1). An ordinance approving the appropriation of \$6,925.47 within the General Fund to Parks Other Services
- 2). An ordinance approving the appropriation of \$83,414.63 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund from the Ohio Department of Development 629 Grant for James Parkway project

Other Items: Approve MTD/YTD Fund Report as to form – No report

2024 Budget Discussion – Lengthy discussion over revised projections for income and expenses 2024.

Pool Opening – 7 days a week and the financial impact that could have

Special Meeting Heath City Council scheduled for December 29, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. for clean up ordinances in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Auditor J. Morrow – I would like to thank all council for taking the time to go through line by line. As the mayor said one hundred times. It was a good exercise. I think, we all learned something and moving forward, I think we will get better at it. I also want to say “Thank You” to our Assistant Auditor Aimee Canter for going through the numbers. Re-doing the numbers and coming back and re-printing that again.

Public Services: D. Morrow there is no meeting in December. The next meeting will be Jan. 22, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

J. Geller – Enjoy your time off.

Public Safety: A. Porter met this evening at 5:31 p.m.

Police:

Police Chief Haren presented November 2023 statistics:

November Statistics	2022	2021	2020
Calls for Service	1178	1075	1093
Offense Reports	93	109	139
Arrests	22	27	73
Accidents	30	30	33
Citations	37	19	48

❖ **Overtime Usage:**

- **November 2022 \$8,5580 (YTD \$100,390)**
- **November 2021 \$11,740 (YTD \$132,887)**

❖ **Alarms – total 57: 1 residential**

Community Involvement

Holiday with a Hero formerly “Shop with a Cop”

We hosted 23 students with Police Officers and Firefighters and their family and friends tonight. Thanks to our Personnel’s donations and our partners Wal-Mart, Heath Church of Christ, Platinum Motors and Newark Maennechor for their sponsorship and involvement,

Other Items:

Discussion on the accident last week on 30th Street to get more content

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Fire: A. Porter met this evening at 5:45 p.m.

Fire Chief McCord presented November 2023 Statistics:

November Statistics

<u>FIRE</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
Fire Runs	53	53	0	0
YTD Fire Runs	670	628	42	6%
<u>EMS</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
EMS Runs	192	222	-30	-16%
YTD EMS Runs	2424	2359	65	3%
November Total Runs	245	275	-30	-12%
YTD Totals	3094	2987	107	3%

<u>Transports</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
Monthly Totals	125	131	-6	-5%
YTD Total	1489	1511	-22	-1%

<u>Mutual Aid Given</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>EMS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Newark Fire	7	5	12
Licking Twp.	2	0	2
Granville Twp.	1	1	2
West Licking	8	1	9
Madison Twp.	2	0	2
Totals	20	7	27

<u>Mutual Aid Received</u>	<u>Total</u>
Newark Fire	24
Granville Twp.	1
West Licking	3
Newark Twp.	3
Licking Twp.	4
Totals	35

Monthly Expense Report:

November 2022 wages \$121,206.69 YTD \$176,494.89	November 2022 OT \$16,613.65	Total OT 2022
November 2023 wages \$136,666.02 YTD \$244,322.34	November 2023 OT \$27,226.14	Total OT 2023

MedBill Report

Total Billed Nov. 2022 \$117,654.50 \$57,093.09	Write-offs \$60,561.41	Net Charges
Total Billed Nov. 2023 \$111,350.00 \$68,258.88	Write-offs \$43,091.12	Net Charges

Personnel

- Dave Love Retirement – Last day on duty February 1, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Streets & Drainage: J. Roberts will meet Tuesday, Jan 2, 2024 at 5:30p.m.

Community Development & Zoning: P. Moretti met Dec. 11, 2023 at 5:31 P.M.

The Community Development and Zoning committee met December 11, 2023 at 5:31 p.m. Under New Business we had a general development discussion and then we had updates on ongoing project approvals and projects being constructed. Jared's updates included more information on the Central Park project, noting the development agreement was still in draft form and we would be seeing that as soon as something was available.

Projects completed or near completion include the Ace Hardware Greenhouse, the James Parkway Bike Path extension, the Port Authority building and Bojangles is now open.

Jared gave us updates on the miscellaneous projects his department is working on and discussed the timeline in which projects would fall off the update list.

Lastly, Jared told us that they were working on a notice for basketball hoops being in the public right of way, and that we would be asking for people to move any basketball hoops that could possibly be in the way of the snow plows so as to not damage any of the trucks or other property.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Special Finance Meeting was held Monday, December 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:27 p.m. immediately following Community & Development.

Legislative Request:

- 1). An Ordinance approving the purchase agreement with Glenn E. Libby and Virginia N. Libby For three parcels of land located at 751 Licking View Drive, Heath, Ohio; authorizing and Directing the Mayor to execute it on behalf of the City of Heath; and declaring an emergency
- 2). An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of \$205,000.00 within the Capital Improvements Fund to Capital Improvement-Street-Land Purchase for the purchase of land at 751 Licking View Drive, Heath, Ohio

Other Items:

Discuss 2024 Budget

Discuss to waive Ordinance 103-2023 & Ordinance 104-2023

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Parks, Recreation, and Davis Shai House: D. Cole will meet Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2024 immediately following Streets & Drainage.

Planning Commission: Next meeting Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Ordinances on First Read:

Ord.103-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$464,140.96 within the General Fund to the Capital Improvements Fund – Motion by Moretti to waive second Read Ord.103-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion to waive approved. Motion by Moretti to adopt Ord. 103-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.103-2023 Adopted**

Ord.104-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$987.49 within the General Fund to the Street Fund – Other Materials & Supplies – Motion by Roberts to waive second read Ord.104-2023. Second by Cole. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion to waive approved. Motion by Roberts to adopt Ord.104-2023. Second by Cole. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.104-2023 Adopted**

Ord.105-2023 An ordinance approving a proposed contract with Glenn E. Libby and Virginia N. Libby for the City’s purchase of three parcels of land located at 751 Licking View Drive, Heath, Ohio; authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute it on behalf of the City of Heath; and declaring an emergency – Motion by Roberts to waive the second read. Second by Cole. Roll Call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion approved. Motion by Roberts to adopt Ord. 105-2023. Second by Cole. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.105-2023 Adopted**

Ord.106-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$205,000 within the Capital Improvements Fund to Capital Improvement- Street-Land Purchase- **Held Second Read**

Ord. 107-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$6,925.47 within the General Fund to Park – Other Services – Motion by Cole to waive the second read Ord.107-2023. Second by Porter. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion approved. Motion by Cole to adopt Ord. 107-2023. Second by Roberts. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote.

Ord.107-2023 Adopted

Ord.108-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$83,414.63 within the General Fund to the Capital Improvements Fund – Motion by Moretti to waive the second read ord. 108-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion to waive approved. Motion by Moretti to adopt ord.108-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.108-2023 Adopted**

Ordinances on Second Read:

Ord.101-2023 An ordinance extending the contract with the Licking County Board of Commissioners for reimbursement of legal counsel for indigent defendants for the City of Heath, Licking County, Ohio – Motion by Cole to adopt Ord.101-2023. Second by Roberts. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.101-2023 Adopted**

Ord.102-2023 An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures for the City of Heath, Licking County, Ohio during fiscal year ending December 31, 2024 – Motion by Cole to amend Ord.108-2023 to reflect the latest version of the budget. Second by Moretti. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Motion to amend Ord.102-2023 approved. Motion by Cole to adopt Ord.102-2023 as amended. Second by Moretti. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.102-2023 adopted as amended.**

Reports of City Officials:

Mayor – Welcome visitors! I want to wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas!

Auditor J. Morrow – Welcome guests! Once again, I want to thank council for passing the appropriation ordinance and we can move forward on that. Like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Law Director Mr. Morrison – Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

P. Moretti – Welcome visitors! Merry Christmas!

D. Morrow – Welcome visitors! Also, like to mention The Davis Shai Christmas Open House was very well attended. Santa alone had 80 people that visited. A lot of nice activities there. The Heath Choir was there as well. Wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Porter – Wish everyone a Merry Christmas!

D. Cole – Wish everyone a Merry Christmas! Also, to send out a congratulations to Karen Kelley on her upcoming retirement and thank her for her 10 years of service.

J. Roberts – Welcome visitors! Chief McCord were able to make use of our emergency squad team at 3:00 a.m. in the morning past weekend for my mom. They were very professional. Appreciate that. You take that stuff for granted until its your own mom. Real important those guys know what they are doing. Thank Mayor Johns and Auditor Morrow for your time with the budget. Very beneficial and productive to me. I appreciate the time.

T. Dupps – Wish everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

J. Geller – Happy Holidays!

B. Shepherd – Merry Christmas and safe travels!

B. Geller – Merry Christmas!

J. Lane – Welcome visitors. Merry Christmas!

Chief Haren – Karen Kelley has been with us for 10 years and will be retiring. Her last day is the 29th. She has been very valuable to our department. She has managed our records, supported our officers in many ways. Great asset to our community. I appreciate her 10 years of service and wish her all the best. Merry Christmas!

Chief McCord – Congratulations to Karen! Merry Christmas everyone!

T. Kelley – Like to touch on what D. Morrow said. I was in charge at the Davis Shai House making sure all the people got on the bus to be transported out there. We filled 5-6 buses full of people and had people waiting. The tour took 5-6 min. Suggestion for next year maybe to start earlier for the little kids. Towards 7:00 p.m. seemed to slow down a little. It is a ways off till next year but wanted to make a suggestion of 2-6p.m. starting.

Motion by D. Morrow - Adjourn – Second by Moretti – All in Favor “Aye” Meeting Adjourned.



Clerk of Council



President of Council