

# GRANVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

## Minutes

March 6, 2024

7:30 P.M.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hartfield called the Wednesday, February 6, 2024 Council meeting to order at 7:30pm.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. ROLL CALL

Clerk Klein conducted roll call. Those present were Councilmember Demarest, Councilmember Keethler Ball, Councilmember Leithauser, Councilmember Mickelson, Councilmember Olbur, Vice Mayor Johnson, Mayor Hartfield, Manager Koehler and Law Director Mattes

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by Councilmember to approve the agenda, second by Vice Mayor Johnson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

### 5. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no comments by citizens, Mayor Hartfield closed that section.

### 6. PUBLIC HEARING-7:31pm

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 05-2024 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 23-2023 PROVIDING FOR ADJUSTMENTS OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND REVISING SUMS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES**

There were no comments from citizens, Mayor Hartfield closed the public hearing.

### 7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 05-2024 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 23-2023 PROVIDING FOR ADJUSTMENTS OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND REVISING SUMS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES**

**Councilmember Mickelson introduced and made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 05-2024, second by Vice Mayor Johnson**

Mayor Hartfield called for a roll call vote. Councilmember Demarest (yes), Councilmember Keethler Ball (yes), Councilmember Leithauser (yes), Councilmember Mickelson (yes), Councilmember Olbur (yes), Vice Mayor Johnson (yes), Mayor Hartfield (yes)

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-17** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME), OHIO COUNCIL 8, REPRESENTING THE FULL TIME SERVICE, UTILITY AND MAINTENANCE WORKERS AND THE FULL TIME POLICE DISPATCHERS, AN AGREEMENT EFFECTIVE FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

**Vice Mayor Johnson introduced and made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-17, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Manager Koehler** stated that staff negotiated with the union for about two and a half months and went into mediation for a period of time, the mediation was initially not successful even though the mediator and Council 8 acknowledged that a fair package was on the table. After some reflection with the rest of the union workforce they did vote in favor of the final package we offered in mediation.

The biggest item is always pay. What we did was similar to what we did with the non-bargaining employees and the police, we reset the pay scale in the first year then applied 3.5% and 3% increase over the next two years. Part of that reset allows every union member to step all three years so the effective pay raise for each union member was 6% every year when you consider the step. We felt that was very fair and that brings our work force to be competitive with some of our municipal competition.

It aligns our comp time accumulation with the police force, it allows for additional vacation carry over, it protects work scheduling during weekends and holidays adjacent to paid vacations, adds the additional holiday, Juneteenth, they didn't have before, and to avoid another situation like the Juneteenth holiday, there is a me too provision in the event that other holidays are added.

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** asked who was on the personnel committee that heard grievances.

**Manager Koehler** stated that it is not the same committee as the subcommittee as Council.

**Carie Kraner** stated that she believes that is a committee that is formed on an as needed basis, I can't recall that we have ever had to go to that step.

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

- B. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-18** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 132 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "VILLAGE COFFEE COMPANY" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest** introduced **Resolution No. 2024-18** and made a motion to adopt, second by **Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- C. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-19** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 134 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "DAY Y NOCHE" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest** introduced **Resolution No. 2024-19** and made a motion to adopt, second by **Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-20** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 127 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "DRAGON VILLAGE" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest** introduced **Resolution No. 2024-20** and made a motion to adopt, second by **Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- E. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-21** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 126 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "THE PUB ON BROADWAY" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-21 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- F. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-22** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 122 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "ALADDIN" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-22 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- G. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-23** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 128 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "POCHO'S TEQUILA AND COCINA" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-23 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- H. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-24** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 133 NORTH PROSPECT IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "MAI CHAU" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-24 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- I. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-25** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 138 AND 140 NORTH PROSPECT IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "THE LOT BEER CO" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-25 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- J. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-26** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 226 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "WHIT'S FROZEN CUSTARD" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-26 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- K. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-27** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NON-PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK CAFE ON THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK AT 313 EAST BROADWAY IN FRONT OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS THE "HISTORIC BUXTON INN" FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

**Councilmember Demarest introduced Resolution No. 2024-27 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote 7-0**

- L. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-28** A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR GROUND MAINTENANCE FOR 2024, TO LEGEND LAWN AND LANDSCAPE, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT THEREFORE

**Councilmember Olbur introduced Resolution No. 2024-28 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

- M. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-29** A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT A MEMBERS TO THE MUNICIPAL BOARD OF TAX REVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.11

**Vice Mayor Johnson introduced Resolution No. 2024-29 and made a motion to adopt, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

- N. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-30** A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE ARTS COMMISSION

**Councilmember Keethler Ball introduced and made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-30, second by Councilmember Mickelson**

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** stated that in Section I of the resolution it states that the new member is representing the Bryn Du Commission instead of the Chamber of Commerce and that she has already advised the Clerk. Eric Mize is the new members name and he is taking Jeff Watkins place to finish out his term that ends January 31<sup>st</sup> of 2025.

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

- O. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-31** A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2022-36 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE TO BECOME A POWER A CLEAN FUTURE OHIO COMMUNITY, TO ADOPT A GOAL TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IN THE VILLAGE

**Councilmember Mickelson introduced Resolution No. 2024-31, second by Councilmember Olbur**

**Councilmember Mickelson** stated that this is to rename the committee to the Environmental Sustainability Committee, it will allow us to add more members and once they have been selected it will come back to Council for appointment. She asked that everything be removed after the sentence ending at minimum two community members.

**Councilmember Mickelson made a motion to amend, asking that everything be removed after the sentence ending at minimum two community members, second by Councilmember Keethler Ball**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

## 9. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the Village Council Meeting of February 21, 2024

**Councilmember Mickelson made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Vice Mayor Johnson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

#### 10. COMMITTEE / COMMISSION / BOARD REPORTS

**Granville Community Foundation (Olbur)** stated that they are working on the spring solicitation.

**Granville Recreation District (Johnson)** stated that they had a meeting on Monday night outside of their normal meeting to contract with some additional legal counsel and there is a meeting tomorrow night.

**Planning Commission (Mickelson)** stated that the commission re-elected Jack Burriss as the chair and Craig Potaracke as vice chair. They approved the final development plan for the faculty housing project for Denison, that will be coming to Council. There were a couple of conditions for approval, one is that they have to go to BZBA for a variance regarding a driveway entrance because it is currently 170 feet and it needs to be 250 feet. The Village arborist wanted a current tree survey, they are going to work with staff and our arborist to get that done. They also added an addition pedestrian pathway per the Village's request. A couple of neighbors commented on that, Councilmember Keethler Ball was one of them and her neighbor, they asked for some screening along the path.

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** stated that David English spoke to them about it after the meeting and Denison was amenable to adding trees. They said that they would invite us to take a look at it.

**Councilmember Mickelson** stated that the other neighbor commented on standing water. Debi Walker-Yost did a good job explaining that there was going to be a swale that will take runoff from the rain.

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** stated that David English said the drainage should be better because they are going to install drains.

**Councilmember Mickelson** stated there was also a lot split that she found interesting. It is for the lot on the southwest corner of Mulberry and Munson. The person requesting the lot split did a drawing for what a house would look like sitting there. There was one neighbor that is catty-corner that was concerned with the intersection because it isn't a safe one. She was happy though that the Village removed some trees there, she thought it made it better.

**Mayor Hartfield** asked if the lot was even big enough to put a house on.

**Councilmember Mickelson** stated that it is a .21 acres lot, a tiny house could fit there with setback approvals. There are five applications for the vacancy on the commission. Initial interviews are happening. There is also a retreat planned for April 27<sup>th</sup> for BZBA and planning Commission together.

**Mayor Hartfield** stated that she had a former Councilmember ask her about a notice that they received about an application for a bar extension at Taco Dan's.

**Manager Koehler** stated that staff has seen a potential plan for a bar space in the barn behind Taco Dan's. If you are looking at Taco Dan's from the Park National Bank's parking lot there is a barn structure to the left, on the south side of the barn the concept would be a bar window long enough for four or five barstools and then a finished bar area complete with sinks inside the barn.

**Vice Mayor Johnson** stated that we need to go back to the archives because this has been asked and answered. This has already been denied, they can't do that in the barn.

**Manager Koehler** stated that there are others that remember a specific condition to that, listing that limitation, we are searching for it.

**Vice Mayor Johnson** stated that it started in Planning Commission and he believes that there were two appeals to Council and Mike King advised them that it had already been appealed and couldn't bring it to Council again.

**Law Director Mattes** stated that the former Law Director Mike King wrote up a contract with them about what they could do in the future. The Village Planner is well aware of it.

**Vice Mayor Johnson** stated that the Planning Commission was deemed responsible to determine whether the barn was accessory structure or not. There were multiple meetings and long discussions and the Planning Commission decided that it was an accessory structure. There was a lot of testimony and it got appealed twice and came to Council.

**Granville Arts Commission (Keethler Ball)** stated that they got a new member tonight and the commission is now full. The other new member at the last meeting and he seems great.

**Bryn Du Commission (Demarest)** stated that Athena has been elevated to the Executive Director at Bryn Du, that left her position vacant as Events Coordinator



open and they have hired Janice Greenleaf to fill that position at twenty hours a week. Get out to the Art Show.

**Open Space Committee (Johnson) – No Report**

**Tree & Landscape Commission (Leithauser) – No Report**

**Union Cemetery (Demarest) – No Report**

**Environmental Sustainability Committee (Mickelson) – No Report**

## 11. OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS

**Councilmember Mickelson** stated that since King Hall has doubled in size the parking along West Broadway has really filled up. When the next dorm is completed, there is going to be that much more, there is not a lot of off-street parking now and out of the ten spaces in front of Sugar Loaf there are about six Denison students parked there. They are welcome to park there, Denison does have parking but it is on the other side of the hill and students aren't going to park there. It is something to just start thinking about. The only solutions she said she could offer was no overnight parking unless you had a permit.

**Manager Koehler** stated that he and Chief Caskey met with Chief Rose, David English and Jake Preston about six months ago. The solution we are looking at for West College Street is no overnight parking. The solution that we are looking at for West Broadway is on the south side would be a potential for new resident parking for residents on either side of Sugar Loaf and the other side of Broadway. Denison's security can't enforce parking on a public street but Granville can.

**Vice Mayor Johnson** stated that instead of penalizing they could incentivize by offer overnight parking at the Eisner Center. There are fifty-two spots there so unless they are having a performance that lot isn't full.

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** shared a concern about pedestrian safety crossing crosswalks now that the weather is breaking.

**Mayor Hartfield** stated that both pedestrians and motorists have a responsibility to be aware and pay attention. She suggested we do a public safety message.

## 12. OTHER STAFF MATTERS

**Manager Koehler** thanked Council for passing the AFSCME contract and the non-bargaining will be come at the next meeting.

**Councilmember Keethler Ball** asked if the employees didn't want the union at first but have made peace with it.

**Manager Koehler** stated that the union has existed but there was a contingent of employees that were interested in disbanding the union, Council 8 sent a rep to talk to the union and they had a change of heart.

Tomorrow I will meet with the County Commissioners to update them on the work that we are doing with Johnstown and Alexandria on the regional water authority. The meeting is meant to update them on our progress and what they will eventually see in a new potential 208 plan and that our new water and sewer authority whatever we end up calling it will be recognized by the Commissioners. You will hear it referred to as JAG.

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G) (3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. - 8:16pm**

**Councilmember Mickelson made a motion to enter executive session, second by Councilmember Olbur**

Mayor Hartfield called for a roll call vote. Councilmember Keethler Ball (yes), Councilmember Leithauser (yes), Councilmember Mickelson (yes), Councilmember Olbur (yes), Councilmember Demarest (yes), Vice Mayor Johnson (yes), mayor Hartfield (yes)

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**

**Motion by Councilmember Demarest to leave executive session, second by Councilmember Olbur**

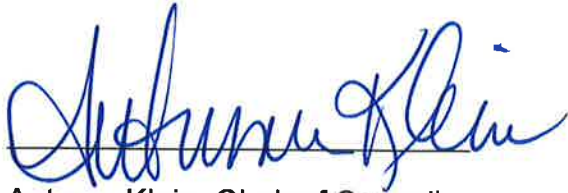
Mayor Hartfield called for a roll call vote. Councilmember Leithauser (yes), Councilmember Mickelson (yes), Councilmember Olbur (yes), Councilmember Demarest (yes), Councilmember Keethler Ball (yes), Vice Mayor Johnson (yes), Mayor Hartfield (yes)

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0 8:40pm**

**14. ADJOURNMENT-8:41pm**

**Motion by Councilmember Demarest to adjourn, second by Councilmember Olbur**

**Motion passed by a vote of 7-0**



Autumn Klein, Clerk of Council



Melissa Hartfield, Mayor