

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 3, 2023  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

The meeting was called to order by President Garnes at 6:00 P.M. Councilman Madison then gave the invocation and led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Kris Bugara, Sheila Cherry, James Edwards, Cindy King, Edward Lohnes, Jack Madison and Phillip Mastroianni present.

Minutes of the March 6, 2023 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. Noting no additions, deletions or corrections offered by Council Members. Minutes were received and filed as presented.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: Income Tax Recapitulation.
2. Notice Public Hearing on Ordinance 025-23 and proof of mailing to adjacent property owners.
3. Notice of the April 14, 2023 Water and Sewer Advisory Board Meeting.
4. Notice of City Council Executive Session
5. Notice from Ohio Department of Commerce RE: Liquor License application for Sisters Social

Motion and second to receive and file all communications tendered to the Clerk. Roll Call Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Andreani:** Noted the need for an Executive session at the end of tonight's meeting to discuss Collective Bargaining issues with expected action after.

Mentioned that Ordinance 040-23 was distributed at the beginning of the meeting as a late addition and the Law Director can discuss it during her report.

Announced that there will be an Electronics recycling day at the Senior Center on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Safety Service Director Dreger:** Announced that the April Water bills will have a notice of a violation in them. It is process violation that has to do with the UV algae treatment and not a quality issue.

Reviewed Ordinances 038-23 and 039-23 and stated that were necessary to replace aging equipment

Mentioned the above average number of street lights that are out and most of it is due to the recent storms. Stated that Ohio Edison is responsible to fix them but are really behind due to the damage.

**Law Director Weyer:** Reviewed the recent changes to the law that has to do with Victim Rights and criminal law revisions. The office has been really busy educating Police on the issues.

Explained Ordinance 040-23 and the most recent Opioid Settlement it authorizes.

**Auditor Knowles:** Reviewed Ordinances 038-23 and 039-23 and stated these items were contained in the annual budget so they don't need prior Finance Committee review.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Streets and Alleys: Bugara:** Asking for action support on Ordinances 037-23 and 039-23 tonight.

**Properties and Lands: Cherry:** Absent. No formal report.

**Utilities: Edwards:** Announced the quarterly Water and Sewer Advisory Board meeting will be on April 14.

**Community Development: King:** No formal report.

**Finance: Lohnes:** No formal report but will need to set a date for a meeting with other members to review a few items.

**Safety and Judiciary: Madison:** Stated that he has review the Liquor License transfer to Sisters Social with the Law Director and would ask Council to waive a hearing on it.

Motion and second to waive a hearing on the Liquor License transfer to Sisters Social LLC. Roll Call Vote. Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**Planning Zoning and Housing: Mastroianni:** Reviewed the March 29 meeting in which they discussed Demolitions and items such as penalties or bonds to keep things moving with no real answers to a best approach. It will need more thought and review.

Reminded everyone to send Skunk Complaints to the Health Department.

**Public Speaks:** None

### **THIRD READINGS:**

**Ordinance No. 025-23:** Introduced by: Lohnes: An Ordinance vacating part of Miller Avenue, bounded on the North by out lot 763 and bounded on the South by West State Street; vacating

part of Penn Avenue, bounded on the North by Hartshorn Street and bounded on the South by West State Street; vacating an unnamed 15' East-West alley, bounded on the West by Miller Avenue, bounded on the North by out lot 763, bounded on the East by Penn Avenue, and bounded on the South by lots 374, 375, 29 and 30; and accepting an approving the replat of all of lots 374, 375, 29, 30, 13201, out lot 782, and vacated portions of Miller Avenue, Penn Avenue, and an unnamed 15' East-West alley from Penn Avenue to Miller Avenue, located at the intersection of Penn Avenue and West State Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark, and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**SECOND READINGS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance No. 036-23:** Introduced by: Mastroianni: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of parts of out lots 587 and 636 located North of West Main Street and approximately 1,000 feet West of South Sawburg Avenue, in the City of Alliance, County of Stark, and State of Ohio. Motion and Second to refer to the Planning Commission. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.**

**Ordinance No. 037-23:** Introduced by: Bugara: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into an agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's contract for the purchase of sodium chloride; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Ordinance No. 038-23:** Introduced by: Edwards: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into contracts for the purpose of purchasing a new flatbed truck and necessary components for the Distribution Department using cooperative purchasing programs, if possible, and to advertise for bids, if necessary, but for a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00 in any case; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Ordinance No. 039-23:** Introduced by: Bugara: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into contracts for the purpose of purchasing a new one-ton dump truck and necessary components for the street department using cooperative purchasing programs, if possible, and to advertise for bids, if necessary, but for a cost not to exceed \$70,000.00 in any case; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Resolution No. 040-23:** Introduced by: Council as a Whole: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor or the Director of Public Safety and Service to execute the five new proposed National Opioid settlements with Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart ("New National Opioid Settlements") and to accept the material terms of the New National Opioid settlements pursuant to the Oneohio memorandum of understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021

National Opioid Settlement agreement; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance 80-20:** Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by Prospect Street; bounded on the South by part of a 13102 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Ordinance 81-20:** Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by Norfolk Southern Railroad; bounded on the South by Prospect Street; bounded on the East by part of lot 482; and bounded on the West by lot 2094 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Ordinance 82-20:** Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by a twenty (20) foot alley; bounded on the South by lot 11829; bounded on the East by part of lot 231; and bounded on the West by lot 221 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Ordinance S86-21:** Introduced by Council as a Whole: An Ordinance affirming the conditions as set forth in Ordinance 37-20; and declaring an emergency. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Motion and Second to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 121.22(G)(4) for the purpose of preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment with all members of Council, Council President, Council Clerk, Mayor, Safety Service Director, Auditor, and Law Director present. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous.

Council entered Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

Council re-entered Regular Session at 6:43 p.m.

**Resolution No. 041-23:** Introduced by: Council as a Whole: A Resolution accepting the recommendations of the fact-finding report concerning settlement of contractual disputes between the City of Alliance and the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc. – Police Supervisors (Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Captain). Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**Councilman Bugara:** Nothing to add.

**Councilwoman Cherry:** Absent.

**Councilman Edwards:** Everyone have a pleasant Easter Season.

**Councilwoman King:** Nothing to add

**Councilman Lohnes:** Wished everyone a Happy Easter.

**Councilman Madison:** Be careful with all of the severe weather.

**Councilman Mastroianni:** Happy Easter.

**President Garnes:** Wished everyone a Happy safe Easter.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:**

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| <b>Ordinance 80-20</b>   | <b>NO FORMAL ACTION</b>                |
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| <b>Ordinance 86-21S</b>  | <b>NO FORMAL ACTION</b>                |
| <b>Ordinance 025-23</b>  | <b>THIRD READING</b>                   |
| <b>Ordinance 036-23</b>  | <b>REFERRED TO PLANNING COMMISSION</b> |
| <b>Ordinance 037-23</b>  | <b>ADOPTED</b>                         |
| <b>Ordinance 038-23</b>  | <b>ADOPTED</b>                         |
| <b>Ordinance 039-23</b>  | <b>ADOPTED</b>                         |
| <b>Resolution 040-23</b> | <b>ADOPTED</b>                         |
| <b>Resolution 041-23</b> | <b>ADOPTED</b>                         |

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**ARTHUR GARNES,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**GERARD T. YOST,  
COUNCIL CLERK**