

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 17, 2023
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

ROLL CALL: Kris Bugara, Sheila Cherry (6:04), James Edwards, Cindy King, Edward Lohnes, and Phillip Mastroianni present.

Motion and second to excuse Councilman Jack Madison. Roll Call Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Minutes of the July 3, 2023 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. Noting no additions, deletions or corrections as seen by Council Members. Minutes were received and filed as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Notice of the July 21, 2023 Water and Sewer Advisory Board Meeting
2. Notice of the July 12, 2023 Finance Committee Meeting
3. Notice of the July 10, 2023 Safety and Judiciary Committee Meeting

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: No formal report. Noted his honor to represent the City as he approaches retirement.

Safety Service Director Dreger: Noted some difficulty with Kimble Trash service over the holiday. Met with them to discuss the problems and working toward better communication regarding delays.

City Engineer in discussions with ODOT to attempt to get South Union Paving moved up.

Seeking grants for street improvements involving traffic signaling at State Street and Seneca and a Public Works grant to micro surface Main Street extension.

Law Director Weyer: No formal report but thanked Mayor Andreani for service

Auditor Knowles: Reviewed Ordinance 067-23

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Alleys: Bugara: No formal report but noted Northstar is in town beginning prep for paving

Thanked Mayor Andreani for service.

Councilwoman Cherry asked of what is coming. Engineer Musser noted upcoming posting for street closure and updates.

Properties and Lands: Cherry: No formal report need to do more research on vacant and condemned houses. Looking into demolition progress on blighted housing.

Utilities: Edwards: No formal report but noted the Water and Sewer Advisory Board will meet on Friday July 21st.

Thanked Mayor Andreani for service

Community Development: King: No formal report but need to look into grocery store in North end and the possibilities.

Thanked Mayor Andreani for service

Finance: Lohnes: Reviewed the Finance Committee last meeting and Ordinance 067-23.

Beginning the process for removing the City from Fiscal Watch.

Looking into revising salaries for elected officials.

Safety and Judiciary: Madison: Absent. No formal report. Councilman Lohnes reported on the recent meeting and noted the Committee recommended passage of 064-23 and no action on 066-23 and was against Fire Department EMS Transport after lengthy research.

Planning Zoning and Housing: Mastroianni: No formal report.

Thanked Mayor Andreani for service

Public Speaks: Jeremy Rhome of 63 E. Broadway RE: Disappointment in the recommendation of Safety and Judiciary Committee not to support Fire Department EMS transport

Cheryl Grimes of 1722 Carriage Lane # 103 RE: Support Fire Department EMS transport

Charles Jenkins of 532 E. Broadway RE: Neighbor problem at Mother's house at 1012 E. Summit Street.

Earleen Fullwood of 1004 E. Summit Street RE: Neighbor problem

Daniel Cherry of 1215 Jersey Street RE: Thanked Street Department for work on Viaduct and the need to trim weeds at Vine and Lincoln. Noted success of Brothers of the Hammer picnic at Thompson Snodgrass park.

THIRD READINGS: None

SECOND READINGS:

Ordinance No. 064-23: Introduced by: Madison: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to extend the current sole provider contract for emergency medical and ambulance transport services within the city of alliance; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to waive the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: 5-1 in Favor (King against). **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 065-23: Introduced by: Lohnes: An Ordinance to amend section 765.09 of the Alliance Codified Ordinances. Explained Ordinance. Motion and Second to waive the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 066-23: Introduced by: Lohnes: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into an exclusive contract for emergency medical and ambulance transport services within the City of Alliance; and declaring an emergency. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Ordinance No. 067-23: Introduced by: Lohnes: An Ordinance approving the purchase of enhanced financial software by the Alliance City Auditor's Office, but at a cost not to exceed \$38,000; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to waive the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

OLD BUSINESS: None

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilman Bugara: Nothing to add.

Councilwoman Cherry: Thanked Mayor Andreani for his service

Councilman Edwards: Reminded everyone of Special August election and the need to address it. Do your homework and decide.

Councilwoman King: Will be looking into possibilities for regulation of Fireworks.

Councilman Lohnes: Thanked Mayor Andreani for his service

Councilman Madison: Absent.

Councilman Mastroianni: Thanked Mayor Andreani for his service.

President Garnes: Do homework for upcoming special August election. Vote your conscious.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 7:05 P.M.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:

Ordinance 064-23 ADOPTED
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Ordinance 066-23 FIRST READING
Ordinance 067-23 FIRST READING

**ARTHUR GARNES,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**GERARD T. YOST,
COUNCIL CLERK**