

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY COUNCIL

Minutes for NCH Council Meeting, Tuesday July 05, 2022, 7:00pm

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PRAYER

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Dukes Dean	Dewald	Underwood	Alexander	Zorb	Blythe	Anderson
Present	Absent	Absent	Present	Present	Present	Present

Motion to excuse Ms. Dewald and Ms. Underwood by Ms. Anderson and 2nd by Dukes Dean. Motion Passed 5-0.

AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda by Ms. Zorb and 2nd by Ms. Anderson, motion passed 5-0.

MINUTES Council Meeting Minutes 06-06-2022 no motion was made due to not having enough council members able to vote on it since absences from last council meeting must abstain from current approval of minutes.

COMMUNICATION

- Nothing to report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

City Community and Development & Recreation: Ms. Anderson reports.

- Last meeting was canceled due to power outages.
- Next meeting July 11, 2022

Budget and Finance: Ms. Dukes Dean reports.

- Last meeting was canceled due to power outages and then rescheduled. They discussed tax budget for 2023 and April report. They had an executive session.
- Next meeting July 11, 2022

Rules & Public Policy: Ms. Underwood reports:

- Canceled the last meeting.
- Next meeting July 25, 2022

Public Safety: Ms. Underwood reports:

- Canceled last meeting
- Next meeting July 25, 2022

Ad Hoc Report:

- None given

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Ms. Nichols reports:

- Ms. Nichols was absent, and no report given.

City Administrator Mr. Mosby reports:

- 2019 and 2020 financial reports have been submitted with adjustments. The Ohio Auditor expected to have release of findings soon. NCH has realized millions of tax revenue using RITA with increased revenue due to better collection. The new rec director has made great progress but canceled the car show to focus on next year. They have selected a contractor to create a park parking lot. They have several road repairs being made soon. The impound lot has been constructed and is awaiting on lighting. The fire department has made improvements to the safety building. They have made fulltime

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fire fighter hiring. They have selected an economic development contractor and will be meeting soon, further developments to come.

- Ms. Anderson confirmed the estimate for the city center improvements. There is an updated estimate coming soon. She confirmed her understanding of park improvements and date of completion. She is also concerned with the cost and sustainability of the splash pad with staffing needs. Mr. Mosby discussed the schedule of the splash pad and seasonal schedule. He agrees that not all the revenue would cover the costs. She would like to see a detailed cost and budget for the splash pad. She was also concerned with it being unmanned.
- Ms. Zorb confirmed her timeline of park improvements and estimates. She would also like a cost analysis included in the recreation committee. Confirmed there will be security lights planned at the park.
- Ms. Dukes Dean confirms her understanding of the estimate. She would like to see some youth workers to possibly work at the park. She thinks it might be better to create a space for both older and younger youths.
- Ms. Alexander concerned for the security and safety for the park if not manned at splash pad.
- Ms. Blythe expressed her opinion of splash pads and past experiences. She believes that most of them are free and are not charging for them.
- Mr. Mosby confirmed there are several other unmanned splashpads. He also likes the youth worker ideas.

Law Director

- Nothing to report.

Finance Director

- Not present.

CALL OF MEMBERS

Ms. Dukes Dean: Wished a happy summer.

Ms. Dewald: Not present.

Ms. Underwood: Not present.

Ms. Alexander: Wished a happy summer.

Ms. Zorb: Nothing to add.

Ms. Blythe: Shared the below communication she received from Debbie Wright on the website Nextdoor:

If any of you go to the next council meeting, I would like the noise ordinance changed to 10 pm if possible. I'd also like those huge fireworks that shake your house and rattle your windows banned. I don't have anything against fireworks per se but the type many are using or have been using is dangerous in a dense neighborhood. Some admit we have a large population in a small square mile area yet many use fireworks intended for more rural areas.

Ms. Anderson: Asked Mr. Mosby for any current legislation on fireworks. She will take the topic in recreation committee. Wished a happy summer. She was excited to see the Special Olympics recently. She congratulated the Team Ohio Special Olympics. Happy to celebrate Juneteenth last month. She thanked the police department about noticing residents about fireworks.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- Guest speaker Ms. Miller from Freestore Foodbank. She is reaching out in the communities about the concerns for people losing Medicaid due the normal annual renewal process starting back up since it has been on hold since start of COVID-19. Her team is to reach out and help them get ready for the renewal process at each library soon.
- Tamie Sowels introduced herself as the new precinct executive and ward chair for the Board of Elections for NCH.

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LEGISLATION

SECOND READING RES. NO 13-2022 A RESOLUTION TO DE-CERTIFY ASSESSMENTS TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR FOR PLACEMENT ON THE TAX DUPLICATE

SECOND READING ORD. NO 05-2022 AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY FINANCE MANAGER TO SUBMIT A PRELIMINARY 2023 TAX BUDGET TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

FURTHER REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE (as it pertains to legislation)

Resident asked if there is not a project manager for the splash pad. Mr. Mosby explained the recreation director is taking over the project due to her recent hire.

OLD BUSINESS

- No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Graver explained we need to have a special council meeting on July 07, 2022, at 6:15PM to have the third reading on Ordinance 05-2022 to pass legislation by deadline.
 - Mr. Mosby asked council to consider adding Resolution 13-2022 to the agenda as well. Ms. Zorb agreed with adding it.
 - Mr. Graver called the meeting and added both pieces of legislation to the agenda of the special council meeting.
- Ms. Anderson confirmed if NCH would ever consider the company Lime electric scooters to be permitted in the city.
 - Ms. Dukes Dean would like to see the discussion in committee, Mr. Graver will reach out Ms. Underwood to add to the safety committee agenda.
- Ms. Dukes Dean confirmed about the mulching of the parks and city properties. Mr. Mosby confirmed there was mulch put in at several locations. He will compile an accurate list of properties that were mulched.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Anderson motioned to adjourn and 2nd by Ms. Zorb. Motioned passed. 5-0.

Christian Hedger, Clerk of Council

Mike Graver, President of Council