



**CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 16, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Mayor Daniel Swartwout called the May 16, 2023 City Council Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. City Council Members in attendance were Jon Bennehoof, Tom Counts, Heather Karr and Daniel Swartwout. Ferzan Ahmed and Christina Drummond were absent. City Staff in attendance included Andrew White, City Manager; Jeffrey Tyler, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director; Rosa Ocheltree, Finance Director; Jason Nahvi, HR Manager; Yazan Ashrawi, Law Director; Claudia Husak, Planning Director; Grant Crawford, Director of Public Service; Mallory Sribanditmongkol, Strategic Communications Officer; Steve Hrytzik, Police Chief; and Amy Deere, City Clerk.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Jon Bennehoof.

**COUNCILMEMBER RESIGNATION**

MOTION: Tom Counts moved to accept the resignation of Brian Lorenz. Jon Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE:        Y   4          N   0   (None)        AB   0   (None)

Resignation of Brian Lorenz accepted with a vote of 4-0-0.

**PROCLAMATION**

**Honoring Powell City Councilmember Brian Lorenz**

[Brian Lorenz.pdf](#)

**INTRODUCTION OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, KEVIN VAUGHN**

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for any citizen wishing to address City Council about any item not on the agenda. Seeing none, Mayor Swartwout closed Citizen Participation.

## **PRESENTATION**

Presented by Delaware-Morrow Mental Health and Recovery Services Board - Deanna Brant, Executive Director

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of City Council Minutes of May 2, 2023

[City Council Minutes 05022023.pdf](#)

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to approve City Council Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2023. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

City Council Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2023 were approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Monthly Department Reports - April, 2023

1. [Building Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)
2. [Communications Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)
3. [Community Development Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)
4. [Finance Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)
5. [HR Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)
6. [Police Department Annual Report\\_2022.pdf](#)
7. [Police Department Report\\_April\\_2023.pdf](#)

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to approve the Consent Agenda for May 16, 2023. Tom Counts seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Consent Agenda for May 16, 2023 was approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **a. RESOLUTION 2023-17**

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DESIGNATE AREAS OF VILLAGE CLUB DRIVE AS A NO PARKING ZONE.

1. [Res. 2023-17\\_Resolution\\_Memo.pdf](#)
2. [Res. 2023-17\\_Resolution.pdf](#)
3. [Res. 2023-17\\_Resolution\\_Exhibit\\_A.pdf](#)
4. [Res. 2023-17\\_Resolution\\_305.01 - Authority to Regulate Local Traffic.pdf](#)

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for public comment for Resolution 2023-17. Seeing none, he closed public comment for Resolution 2023-17.

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to approve Resolution 2023-17. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Resolution 2023-17 approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

#### **b. RESOLUTION 2023-18**

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY  
AS PREPARED BY CAMOIN ASSOCIATES.

1. [Res. 2023-18\\_Resolution\\_Memo.pdf](#)
2. [Res. 2023-18\\_Resolution.pdf](#)
3. [Res. 2023-18\\_Resolution\\_Exhibit\\_A.pdf](#)

Mayor Swartwout opened the floor for public comment for Resolution 2023-18. Seeing none, he closed public comment for Resolution 2023-18.

MOTION: Tom Counts moved to approve Resolution 2023-18. Jon Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Resolution 2023-18 approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/CITY CALENDAR**

[City Calendar.pdf](#)

### **OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) – To consider the appointment of a public employee or official, and the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee.

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) – To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance.

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to enter Executive Session. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

Mayor Swartwout requested a roll call for passage: Daniel Swartwout, yes; Jon Bennehoof, yes; Tom Counts, yes; and Heather Karr, yes.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Motion to enter Executive Session approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

**Entered Executive Session at 8:34 p.m.**

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to adjourn Executive Session and re-enter Regular Session. Heather Karr seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and re-enter Regular Session approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

**Re-entered Regular Session at 9:30 p.m.**

MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to nominate Heather Karr as Chair for the Development Committee. Tom Counts seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Motion to nominate Heather Karr as Chair for the Development Committee approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

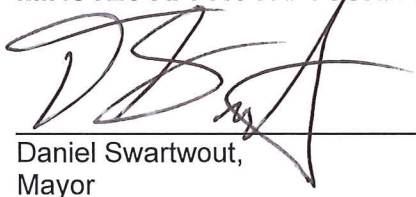
MOTION: Jon Bennehoof moved to adjourn. Tom Counts seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 4 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)


Motion to adjourn approved with a vote of 4-0-0.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.**

**MINUTES APPROVED: JUNE 6, 2023**

  
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Daniel Swartwout,  
Mayor

6-6-23  
Date

  
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Amy Deere,  
City Clerk

6/6/23  
Jason Nahvi  
HR Manager

Date