CITY OF FERRYSBURG  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
JUNE 20, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blease at 7:00 PM. Council Member Cate gave the invocation. Mayor Blease led those present in the pledge of allegiance.


Also present:  City Manager Bessinger and 8 citizens.

22-086 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve the June 6, 2022, City Council meeting minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

22-087 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to adopt Ordinance No. 323, an ordinance to permit Class 1 and Class II electric bikes, electric scooters, electric hoverboards, maintenance vehicles, and emergency vehicles on City bike paths and sidewalks. 6 yeas, 1 nay (Murdoch), motion passed.

22-088 Ordinance No. 324, and ordinance to amend City Code, Chapter 92: Burning, was introduced on first reading.

22-089 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to adopt a resolution of Commitment and Support for the Statewide Local Agency Bridge Bundle Program and to include Smith’s Bridge in this program, and to authorize the City Manager to act as the “designated champions” for this project. The motion passed unanimously.

22-090 Nominations for the 2022 Chamber Business Recognition Award given: Greek Tony’s Pizza, Leppinks Food Center, Pine Street Café, and Spot Light Dancing. Roll call vote to select Greek Tony’s Pizza as the 2022 recipient of the Chamber Business Recognition Award: 2 yeas (Blease, Sias), 5 nays (O’Donnell), selection did not pass.

22-091 Roll call vote to select Leppinks Food Center as the 2022 recipient of the Chamber business Recognition Award: 7 yeas, 0 nays, selection approved.

22-092 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Heather Hawley to the Planning Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-093 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to table the Mayor’s appointment of Joe Lyons to the Planning Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

22-094 Moved by Council Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Murdoch, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Emily Stearley to the Recreation Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.
22-095 Moved by Council Member Cate, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Hannah Barnard to the Recreation Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. Roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion passed.

22-096 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Chris Marshall as a regular member to the Kitchel-Lindquist-Hartger Dunes Preserve Board for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-097 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Nancy Jensen as a regular member to the Kitchel-Lindquist-Hartger Dunes Preserve Board for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-098 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Terry Harrison as a regular member to the Kitchel-Lindquist-Hartger Dunes Preserve Board for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

22-099 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Bryan Pereira as an alternate member to the Kitchel-Lindquist-Hartger Dunes Preserve Board for a term ending July 1, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

22-100 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member Murdoch, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Candace Hespen as a regular member to the Beautification Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-101 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Therese Buck as a regular member to the Beautification Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-102 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Janet Joiner as an alternate member to the Beautification Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-103 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the appointment of Joe Lyons to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a regular member for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-104 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Murdoch, to approve the appointment of Mason Milligan as a regular member to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-105 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the appointment of Rebecca Hopp to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board for a term ending January 1, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.
22-106 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the appointment of Tom Godfrey to the North Ottawa Community Hospital Authority Board for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-107 Moved by Council Member Carlson, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the appointment of Lisa Menerick to the Loutit District Library Board for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-108 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the appointment of Michael Walker to the Construction Board of Appeals for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-109 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the appointment of Michael DeWitt to the Construction Board of Appeals for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

22-110 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the appointment of Kathy Kenyon to the Board of Review for a term ending January 1, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

22-111 Moved by Council Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Cate, to approve 2021-2022 Budget Amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

22-112 The consensus of City Council was to obtain a quote for a parking area at the Ferrysburg Nature Preserve from the contractor working on Dogwood Drive.

The City Manager, the City Council Members, and the Mayor reported on several current items.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scott Blease      Craig Bessinger
Mayor            Acting City Clerk