CITY OF FERRYSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 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.


Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Bessinger, City Clerk/Treasurer Schaner, and 52 citizens.

22-202 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve the December 05, 2022, City Council minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

22-203 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to move agenda item 6b. Approve the Mayor’s appointment of Tim Scarpino to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board for a term ending January 1, 2026, to New Business as item 7f. The motion passed unanimously.

22-204 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to move agenda item 6c. Approve the Mayor’s appointment of Jim Menerick to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board for a term ending January 1, 2026, to New Business as item 7g. The motion passed unanimously.

22-205 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to adopt the 2023 Prioritized City Council Goals. The motion passed unanimously.

22-206 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve a Gas Easement to Michigan Gas Utilities Corporation at WM. Ferry Park, and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all necessary documents. The motion passed unanimously.

22-207 Moved by Council Member Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to adopt a resolution recognizing Loretta McLaughlin on her retirement from Pine Street Café. The motion passed unanimously.

22-208 Moved by Council Member Montgomery, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell to adopt a resolution recognizing David F. Peterson for his 30-years of service on the Ferrysburg Fire Department. The motion passed unanimously.
22-209 Moved by Council Member O'Donnell, seconded by Council Member Cate, to accept a Visionary Plan as a guide for recommendations the city may take in the future. Roll Call Vote: 2 Yea (Blease, O'Donnell), 5 Nays, motion failed.

22-210 Moved by Council Member Cate, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve a quote from Advance Signs, Inc., for three wayfinding signs for the Ferrysburg Nature Preserve for $4,711.00. The motion passed unanimously.

22-211 Moved by Council Member Carlson, seconded by Council Member Sias, to cancel the Tuesday, January 3, 2023, City Council meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

22-212 Moved by Council Member O'Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Tim Scarpino to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board for a term ending January 1, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

22-213 Moved by Council Member O'Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Jim Menerick to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board for a term ending January 1, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

22-214 The Council Members entered a work session to discuss North Shore Drive-Speed Calming Measures. The consensus of members was to work with a traffic engineer on placement of speed controlling devices.

22-215 The Council Members entered a work session to discuss a Classification and Compensation Study. The consensus of members was to draft the 2023-2024 City Budget with a proposed 8% wage increase.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scott Blease            Amber Schaner
Mayor                  City Clerk