



May 20, 2024
Common Council

Present:

Mike Hartman, Mayor
Tracey Hawkins, Council District 1 and Council President
Darren Alloway, Council District 3
Gale Ryan, Council District 4
Bill White, Council at Large
Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer
Scott Lanning, Wastewater Superintendent
Ron Mausteller, Fire Chief
Donald Stuckey, City Attorney
Matt Traster, Police Chief

Absent

Kristie Laub, Council District 2

Mayor Hartman opened the regular session of the Common Council at 7:15 pm at 215 South Broadway.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hartman asked for comments or questions pertaining to the agenda items. Hearing none, the meeting proceeded.

The minutes from the May 6th meeting were presented. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve the minutes and Council Member Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1790, An Ordinance Increasing Utility Deposits**, was presented for its second reading by title. Council Member Ryan made a motion to approve Ordinance 1790 on its second reading by title and Council Member Alloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Clerk-Treasurer Eck has a Public Hearing scheduled for June 3rd on this proposed ordinance.

Proposed **Ordinance 1791, An Ordinance Establishing a Policy for Electronic Funds Transfers and Online Banking for the City of Butler**, was presented for its second reading by title. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve Ordinance 1791 on its second reading by title and Council Member Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Council Member Ryan made a motion to approve Ordinance 1791 on its third reading by title and Council Member Alloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



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Fire Chief Ron Mausteller reported that the tornado siren behind the Police Station has been updated and should now receive the alert signal when it is sent. Chief Mausteller thanked Council Members Laub and White for assisting with the written test for the potential new firefighters. Two of the candidates have moved on to the interviews.

Chief Mausteller asked the Council what they thought about the Fire Department not doing any pool filling at all. There was discussion. The Fire Department will not do any pool filling from this point forward.

Police Chief Matt Traster reported that he is down to two potential candidates for the open police officer positions. They are now getting scheduled for the polygraph testing.

Street Superintendent Mark Cline reported that the mulch is all done at South Side Park now. There is only painting left to do. His department will be working on the cemetery the rest of the week to get it ready for Memorial Day.

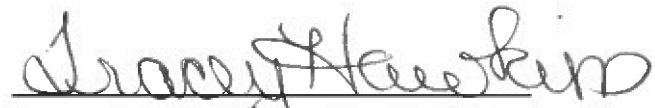
Clerk-Treasurer Eck stated that she has received the Circuit Breaker Report for this year. It shows a reduction of \$11,923.38 in property taxes that won't be able to be collected due to percentage limits on property tax collections. She sees no reason to decrease the 2024 Budget at this time.

Council Member Tracey Hawkins asked if there was any City Ordinance that prohibits grass clippings from being blown into the street. There was discussion. Clerk-Treasurer Eck thinks there is something about it related to Storm Water.

Council Member Hawkins made a motion to adjourn at 7:28 pm and Council Member White seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



Mayor



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Clerk-Treasurer