

The Council of the City of Centerville, County of Montgomery, State of Ohio, met on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 7:46 P.M. in the J.V. Stone Council Chambers. The meeting was opened with an Invocation by Pastor Julie Reuning-Scherer of Epiphany Lutheran Church followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag with Mayor Compton presiding. Councilmembers and City Staff were present as follows:

Councilmembers Deputy Mayor JoAnne Rau
 Mark Engert
 Belinda Kenley
 Duke Lunsford
 Bill Serr

Clerk of Council Teri Davis
 City Manager Wayne Davis
 Assistant City Manager Mariah Vogelgesang
 Finance Director Tyler Roark
 Assistant Finance Director Miranda Piatt
 Police Chief Matt Brown
 Development Director Erik Collins
 Economic Development Administrator Joey O'Brien
 City Engineer Jim Brinegar
 Human Resources Director Jen McCormick
 Communications Director Kate Bostdorff
 IT Director Ryan Collins
 Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

Mayor Compton invited Pastor Reuning-Scherer to speak about Epiphany Lutheran ministries. She discussed Lent activities underway and a peer mentoring program.

Excuse Absent

Mr. Engert made a motion to excuse Mr. Palcher, Mr. Serr seconded the motion, and it passed with 6 ayes.

Minutes

The minutes of the following meetings had been distributed prior to this meeting:

Council Meeting: February 20, 2023.

Work Session Meeting: February 20, 2023.

Mr. Lunsford made a motion for approval of the minutes, Mrs. Rau seconded the motion, and it passed with 6 ayes.

Communications

Mrs. Davis reported no communications.

Oath of Office

Mayor Compton administered the Oaths of Office to Jordan Staley for his appointments to both the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council and the Personnel Appeals Board. Mr. Staley spoke about his background and education, his professional endeavors, and his interest in serving the community.

Citizen Comments and Petitions - none**Officials' Reports**

Mayor Compton spoke about three ribbon cuttings which occurred last week at C&C Studios, Dot's Market, and Cincinnati Children's Centerville.

Mayor Compton announced an Open House is scheduled for March 13 regarding the Uptown parking project.

Mrs. Rau announced the City Beautiful Commission will hold its free spring seminar on April 15 at Cline Elementary from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The topic is incorporating native plants.

Mrs. Kenley discussed an enjoyable encounter she had at the airport with the Centerville Coeds dance team returning from a national competition.

Mr. Engert advised the next installment of the Centerville-Washington History Speaker Series, scheduled on March 21, 2023 at RecWest, features Hylda Strange speaking about the Crosley Brothers.

Mr. Engert announced that the next episode of the Centerville-Washington History podcast is now live, featuring guest Terry Obrien.

Mr. Engert congratulated the Centerville High School Boys Basketball team on its Districts win.

Mr. Lunsford advised the Americana kick-off meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday, March 7 at 5:30 p.m. at Benham's Grove. Committee leaders are being sought. More information is available by calling 937-433-5898 or by visiting the Americana website at www.americanafestival.org

In the City Manager's Report, Mr. Davis spoke about:

- Uptown parking project Open House on Monday, March 13 at 5:30 p.m. at the Centerville Police Department training room.
- The Benham's Grove Improvements update which was presented earlier during the Council Work Session.
- Cincinnati Children's opened for appointments today.
- Centerville Advocacy Day at the Statehouse on March 29.
- Palmer Energy representative Phil Dysard will present at the Aggregation Public Hearing later during this meeting.

Mayor Compton praised Staff Engineer Taylor Schindler for her facilitation of the Benham's Grove Improvements project.

Old Business - none

New Business

- A. PUBLIC HEARING: For the City of Centerville electric and gas aggregation operation and governance plans.

Mayor Compton opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Phil Dysard representing Palmer Energy provided a program overview, including participation expectations, utility pricing expectations, the timeline, and specifics and eligibility information about the opt-out program

Council members discussed eligibility, term, and the opt-out process. Mayor Compton noted legislation will come before City Council at the March 20 Council meeting. Mr. Dysard added that passage of the legislation will serve as the City's enrollment into the program.

Hearing no one else come forward, Mayor Compton closed the Public Hearing.

A representative from Palmer Energy will attend the March 20, 2023 Council meeting to present at the second required public hearing.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Compton turned the attention of the group to the Consent Agenda. Any City Councilmember may remove an item from the Consent Agenda by request. No second is required for removal of an item. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda items.

City Council read the Consent Agenda into the record as follows:

- A. Ordinance 03-23, An Ordinance Approving Individual Assessments Amounts And Directing The Director Of Finance Or His Designee To Certify The Amounts To The County Auditor For Collection (Set for Public Hearing on March 20, 2023)
- B. Ordinance 04-23, An Ordinance Authorizing The Write-Off Of The Uncollectible Accounts For Mowing Charges (Set for Public Hearing on March 20, 2023)
- C. Resolution 22-23, A Resolution Accepting The Bid Submitted By Buck Restoration Of Toledo Ohio For The 2023 Crack Sealing Program-Rebid (Project SS-1) And Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract In Connection Therewith.
- D. Resolution 23-23, A Resolution Accepting An Ingress/Egress & Utility Easement For Public Purposes From Embark Properties, LLC.

- E. Resolution 24-23, A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Service Agreement With TEC Engineering, Inc. For The Detailed Design Of The Dimco Way Extension.

Mrs. Kenley sponsored the Consent Agenda and moved for its approval. Mr. Lunsford seconded the motion, and it passed with 6 ayes.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Council, Mayor Compton adjourned the regular meeting at 8:32 P.M. The next regular meeting of City Council is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 7:30 P.M.

Approved: 
Mayor

ATTEST: 
Clerk of Council