

**City of Mt. Sterling
Regular Council Meeting
#5 Jefferson Road
April 17th, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.**

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to appoint Alderman Burge Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Scranton. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes.

Alderman Burge calls the general City of Mt. Sterling Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with roll call. ROLL CALL –Ernest here, Schenk here, Ransom here, Scranton here, Burge here, Ormond here.

City Administrator Vada Yingling, City Treasurer Cheryl Flynn, Public Works Director Dusty Buss, City Clerk Dane Flesner, Fire Chief Brian Gallaher, and City Attorney Lonnie Dunn were present. Mayor Matt Bradbury and Police Chief Brandon Norris are absent.

Alderman Burge – I would like to entertain a motion to approve March minutes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve March minutes, seconded by Schenk. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes.

Alderman Burge – I would like to entertain a motion to approve the March expenses.

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to approve March expenses, seconded by Ernest. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes.

Guest/Citizens Opportunity to address the Council –

Old Business – Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve the nature trail design for the lake, seconded by Schenk. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

New Business - Alderman Scranton makes the motion to move dental, vision, and life insurance to MetLife from Humana, seconded by Schenk. Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to have city wide cleanup Friday June 9th, 8:00 am till 6:00 pm, and Saturday, June 10th, 8:00 am till 12:00 pm, seconded by Ransom. Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to give full time city employees a 3% raise for FY23/24, seconded by Scranton. Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to allow Poppy Days at the four-way stop Friday, May 26th, 6:00 am till 6:00 pm, and Saturday May 27th from 7:00 am till 12:00 pm, seconded by Ransom. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Flynn presented her report with no concerns or motions being made.

Public Work's Report – Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve the resolution to appropriate MFT funds to resurface alley behind Farmers State Bank east to Capitol, seconded by Ernest. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to approve the engineering agreement to complete survey design and construction engineering for \$19,000 for alley project (MFT), seconded by Ormond. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

Alderman Scranton makes the motion to pass the revised MFT estimate of \$47,099.00 maintenance costs for the 2023 MFT program, seconded by Scranton. Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc –

Airport –

Cemetery –

City Planning –

Finance/Budget – A motion was made by Alderman Scranton to accept the committee's recommendation to raise full time police officer pay to \$18.50 an hour, and full time Dispatcher pay to \$16.00 an hour, seconded by Ernest. Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Ernest to accept the committee's recommendation to implement a 3% step raise pay scale for Public Works Department full-

time employees for the first five years of service, seconded by Schenk. Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes.

Fire – A motion was made by Alderman Schenk to approve MABAS Ordinance #2023-04, seconded by Ernest. Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes.

Alderman Ransom makes the motion to allow Fire Chief Gallaher to use \$10,000 of his departments ARPA funds to purchase a digital sign for the Fire Station, seconded by Scranton. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes.

Alderman Schenk makes the motion to move Marcus Perry from probationary to active status as a Firefighter, seconded by Ransom. Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes.

Lake/Lake Development –

Personnel –

Plan Commission-

Police –

Street & Alley-

TIF –

Water/Sewer –

Zoning –

Zoning Board of Appeals –

Other Business – Alderman Schenk makes the motion to accept and file all reports for the 4/17/2023 City of Mt. Sterling council meeting, seconded by Ransom. Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes, Ormond yes, Ernest yes.

Executive Session –

Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Schenk, seconded by Scranton. Ormond yes, Ernest yes, Schenk yes, Ransom yes, Scranton yes, Burge yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Dane Flesner, City Clerk / Collector