# THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO Proceedings of the Huron City Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 6:30pm

## **Call to Order**

The Mayor called the regular meeting of City Council to order at 6:30pm. The Mayor called for a moment of silence. After the moment of silence, the Mayor led in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll for the regular meeting of Council. The following members of Council answered present: William Biddlecombe, Mark Claus, Monty Tapp, Joe Dike, Matt Grieves, Joel Hagy. Council Member not present: Sam Artino.

Motion by Mr. Claus to excuse Mr. Artino's absence from the meeting.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor, the motion passed.

Staff in attendance: City Manager Matt Lasko, Law Director Todd Schrader, Service Director Stuart Hamilton, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager Doug Steinwart, Planning Director Erik Engle, Police Chief Terry Graham, Finance Director Cory Swaisgood (via Microsoft Teams) and Terri Welkener, Clerk of Council.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Mr. Dike to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2023 regular Council meeting, the April 11, 2023 Council work session and the April 11, 2023 regular Council meeting, as written.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor, the motion passed.

#### **Audience Comments**

The Mayor directed members of the audience having comments to approach the podium, state their name and address Council, and advised that they would have 3 minutes to make their comments.

None.

# **Old Business**

None.

# **New Business**

# Resolution No. 36-2023

Motion by Mr. Grieves that the three-reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 36-2023 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LAKE ERIE DIVING, INC. FOR HURON WATER TREATMENT PLANT RAW WATER INTAKE CLEANING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$276,183.00)) be placed on its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor, the motion to suspend the three-reading rule passed and Resolution 36-2023 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Resolution by its title only.

Mr. Evans explained that their intake is 36" in diameter, and extends about 2300 feet out into Lake Erie. It was last cleaned in 1995, so it has been a pretty good length of time since it has been cleaned. It does get inspected yearly. During inspection last year, it showed that the pipe had reduced from 36" down to 12" in certain spots, so significant blockage has accumulated over time. It is due for cleaning at this time. The scope of this project isn't just for cleaning — they have chemical feed lines that are installed that run all the way out 2300 feet to the intake crib. Those were installed in 1995 during the last cleaning, and they should be replaced at this time, as well. When the cleaning takes place, those chemical feed lines are going to be removed and reinstalled. The chemical in those lines is sodium permanganate, which helps fight algae, zebra mussels and organic matter, so that is a critical component for the treatment process. They trust Lake Erie Diving — they have done work for the City at the water plat for decades. Pat Murphy has an incredible reputation, not just here, but also in the industry, as well. They trust him with this project.

Mr. Hagy said it has been almost 30 years since the last cleaning — would it be reasonable to assume that this will last another 30 years. Mr. Evans answered that they are given a timeline of 20 years to revisit it, at least, with a full camera inspection to see what's going on, but it would be reasonable to expect 20-30 years before they would have to go through another cleaning.

Mayor Tapp asked if the intake opening being reduced to 12" in spots taxes the equipment. Mr. Evans said that they haven't really noticed that, but he is sure it would be anytime you have a constriction in the pipe like that. Cleaning it should definitely improve things.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on final adoption of Resolution No. 36-2023. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 36-2023 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

# Resolution No. 37-2023

Motion by Mr. Hagy that the three-reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 37-2023 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NIAGARA POWER TRANSFORMER CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LIQUID-IMMERSED, CLASS I, POWER TRANSFORMER RELATING TO THE HURON PUBLIC POWER EXPANSION PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$1,039,837.00)) be placed on its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor, the motion to suspend the three-reading rule passed and Resolution 37-2023 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Resolution by its title only.

Mr. Hamilton explained that the City released an RFP at the beginning of January for a sub-transformer for HPP. Currently, their two transformers can handle the load, but if they lose one of those transformers, they don't have enough step-down to distribute their system and keep it up. This sub-transformer will give them the redundancy they don't currently have if they lose a single transformer. With the addition of this sub-transformer, they can still supply all of their customers. The bids closed on February 28th, and there was a single respondent to the RFP. It so happened that the sole bidder is the same manufacturer as their other two transformers. They were happy that they have a good partner to go with. They don't have to pay for this transformer until they receive it, which they expect to be at the beginning of 2025. At that point, when it is installed and tested, they will be due the full amount.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on final adoption of Resolution No. 37-2023. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 37-2023 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

#### Resolution No. 38-2023

Motion by Mr. Biddlecombe that the three-reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 38-2023 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (TREX)

# TRANSFER FORM FROM THE DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL FOR LEMMY'S MARINER TABLE, LLC ) be placed on its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor, the motion to suspend the three-reading rule passed and Resolution 38-2023 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Resolution by its title only.

Mr. Lasko stated that this is a potential first step in what would be a 2-step process. Lemmy's was recently purchased by a new ownership group. They are intending to undertake a pretty substantial renovation and economic investment into that facility. Right now, the number of beer and liquor permits in any city is governed by a quota related to population. However, under a program know by TREX, a community has the ability to allow increases to that quota if it's for a specific economic development purpose, or tied to an economic development investment. As part of the application, the ownership group has stated that they are going to invest well over \$250,000, and minimally would add 12 jobs as part of this expansion. This request is merely allowing them to submit the application. If approved, they would have to come back to Council, at which point Council can request or waive a public hearing. They have reviewed the application, and it certainly meets the requirement of an economic development project, which is why they are recommending approval, but Council still has the opportunity to request a public hearing at a future Council meeting. This is really the first step to get to the point of a potential public hearing, or waiver of same.

The Mayor asked if there were any further questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on final adoption of Resolution No. 38-2023. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 38-2023 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

# Ordinance No. 2023-10 (first reading)

Motion by Mr. Hagy that Ordinance No. 2023-10 (AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY A PERMISSIVE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAX PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4504.17) be placed on its first reading.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Hagy, Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor, Ordinance No. 2023-10 was placed upon its first reading. The Law Director read the Ordinance by its title only.

Mr. Swaisgood stated that Ordinance 2023-10 is the vehicle registration permissive tax allowable under the Revised Code - an additional \$5 can be levied on vehicle registrations from the City. This has been discussed in open public meetings for the last 3 years, Finance Committee meetings, budget meetings and at the last Council work session 2 weeks ago.

The City must pass legislation for this levy to become effective January 1, 2024. The levy would be an additional \$5, bringing the license registration up from \$20 to \$25, and this must be passed by July 1st and submit it to the State in order to take effect on January 1st of 2024. The permissible uses for the tax receipts include planning, constructing, improving, maintaining, and repairing public roads and streets. The City collected approximately \$163,000 per year from the permissive tax revenue. The additional \$5 would be expected to generate a revenue of approximately \$42,000 a year more, and this must all be deposited in the Streets Maintenance Fund—it is restricted to just that fund, so it cannot be put anywhere else or used for any other purpose. The additional levy is expected to offset the financial burden of maintaining and paving streets, which is currently being carried by the General Fund. The Finance Committee did recommend this to Council for consideration with the 2023 budget.

# Motion

Motion by Mr. Biddlecombe to appoint Robert Lippert to serve the remainder of the term of Larry Lehman as the City's representative on the Erie County Board of Health expiring on August 31, 2023, and thereafter appointing Robert Lippert to serve as the City's representative on the Erie County Board of Health for a five-year term commencing September 1, 2023.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor, the motion passed and Robert Lippert was appointed as the City of Huron's representative on the Erie County Board of Health.

# City Manager's Discussion

The City Manager spoke on several topics:

Oster Mobile Home Park Purchase — A special recognition to Mrs. Roxanne Goss and Sheila Preston, who have worked with the City to help facilitate 12 meetings, through today, with households from the park. They are anticipating another 7 to 8 that will be set up late this week or early next week. They are providing an opportunity to meet with every property owner or renter that would like to sit down with them. The intent of these meetings is to hear from individuals to answer as many questions as they can and understand the specific and individualized needs of all of the households and the household members. They are going to

continue those meetings for as long as it takes. Moving forward, we are also working with at least one, and they will try to get more, mobile home companies that work on relocation and work with moving folks that are going come up in the next week or two to start inspecting some of the units so they can make a final determination on which ones can be removed and relocated to another park. They are going to continue to be at the table — they have a lot of great partners working with them throughout the process.

- Sawmill Parkway They had a little bit of a slowdown over the last week or two at the west end of the Parkway due to a low-hanging Frontier cable crossing the temporary roadway that needed to be raised. The City and Smith Paving worked with First Energy, who owns the poles, and Frontier to find a solution, which was implemented over the weekend. The temporary roadway will be in operation early in the morning on May 1st. Thank you to Mr. Hamilton for working with all of their partners and getting that cable raised so work can continue. Stakeholders have been notified of that temporary road opening next week, and on the east end, construction continues on the Parkway. He is glad they got over that first hurdle.
- <u>Trash Collection RFP</u> They are still out to RFP as relates to the trash collection contract. The RFP was issued on April 1<sup>st</sup>, and they will be closing bids on April 28<sup>th</sup>, which will be later this week.
- Zoning Code and Planning They held a joint Planning Commission/Council work session on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. At the meeting, OHM Advisors presented recommended land uses, improvements and streetscape enhancements based on community feedback and steering committee feedback. Based on that work session, OHM and the steering committee are going to go back to work reviewing that feedback and making alterations based on what was heard. During that meeting, there was a lot of conversation and questions from both the Planning Commission and Council, so he appreciates everyone's attendance. They are hoping to present a final plan for consideration and adoption to the Planning Commission and Council as early as June.
- Tree Inspection and Assessment Ordinance Staff met internally during the week of April 17<sup>th</sup> to provide one last review of a proposed tree inspection and assessment ordinance that will streamline the process and make it easier for property owners and the City to remove dead, dying and diseased boulevard trees. They are hoping to present an ordinance to Council, potentially as early as the first Council meeting in May. Special recognition to Mr. Schrader and Mr. Engle for all of their work to get to this point.
- Parks and Recreation/Doug Steinwart Recognition Mr. Lasko said he wished Mr. Steinwart was here this evening he is Director of the Parks and Recreation Department. There was an event last week, which the Mayor was able to attend with him and Mr. Steinwart, which was the Shores and Islands annual meeting. This meeting was held at Wesley Lodge in Lakeside. At the meeting, the City of Huron and its Parks and Recreation were honored with the Extraordinary Destination Enhancement Award for the fish cleaning station. The project was noted as a "game changer" for the region. What he also thinks is really incredible is that it was noted at the annual meeting that the City of Huron's application for grant funding was the only project out of 47 awardees to receive a perfect. A special thank you to Doug Steinwart and their team for the achievement and recognition. (Mr. Lasko passed the award around for everyone to look at). Thank you to Shores and Islands, not only for the grant support, but for the recognition and great event they held last week.
- <u>Fabens Park Tennis Court</u> They are still out to bid on the tennis courts and potential pickleball project. They also still have their public survey out there – they are looking for anyone and everyone to respond to that. They just sent out a text message reminder through our system to

- folks yesterday. As of this morning, they are nearing 400 respondents, which is a really remarkable number. That will be a very useful tool for them to engage the community.
- Police Department Modernizations/Weapons Purchase One topic that hasn't been spoken about much at the Council level, but with Chief Graham's leadership one of the things they are looking at modernizations within the Police Department, whether that's from a facilities standpoint or an equipment standpoint. One of the things he wanted to let Council know, and the public know, is that they are in the process of purchasing 20 department-owned handguns for each officer in the Department, including both full-time and part-time officers. The cost of this project is just over \$21,000, and Atwells Police and Fire Equipment in Painesville was selected as the vendor due to the lowest of three quotes. What was shocking to him when he heard it initially, was that our officers have been purchasing their own handguns since 1988. Due to not having departmental handguns and allowing officers to purchase their own weapons, they have a multitude of different makes and models, different calibers - a wide range of different handguns and different holsters. There will be new holsters, as well, that have automatic activation devices installed to activate the body-worn cameras that they now have, within 30 feet, if not already activated, when the handgun is removed or drawn from the holster. This will protect the City and officers from potentially forgetting to turn on their body-worn cameras under stress of a potential event. By purchasing this departmentally-owned equipment, they will be able to standardize everything across the department moving forward. They really think this could help in our recruiting process with part-time and full-time officers, as the cost of these guns is upwards of \$1,000, which is a lot to ask for part-time officers, particularly to pay as part of taking a position here in our department. All of our officers will receive specialized training with this new equipment, as well. He appreciates Chief Graham's recommendation, and working with Mr. Swaisgood to be able to make that a possibility. They also have potentially similar issues with the rifles within the department. That is something that is probably not going to be explored this year, but potentially as part of the 2024 budget, they are going to look to see if that can standardize their rifle collection, as well.
- <u>Upcoming Contracts</u> The Seeley Savidge contract is expiring on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The administration is likely to propose renewing this contract for another 12 months. They have had good conversations with Mr. Schrader and Mr. Ebert, and are hoping to present a proposal to Council at one of the May meetings. In those conversations, they determined that there will be no change in the terms or cost of the agreement.
- <u>Upcoming Meetings</u> Joint Recreation District meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm in Council Chambers; Utilities Committee on May 3<sup>rd</sup> has been cancelled; BZA on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in Council Chambers; Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm, which will be followed by the regular Council Meeting at 6:30pm in Council Chambers; Planning Commission on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers; and City Council meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm in Council Chambers. At that May 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting, he anticipates a Work Session regarding Charter Review they are still trying to figure out whether that is going to be at 5:00pm or 5:30pm.

Mr. Claus asked for an update on the Berlin Road park, and whether it's available. He knows the buildings are all down and the grass has been planted – is the public allowed to go out there? He knows they talked about possibly posting some signage about fishing, safety, etc. ... Mr. Lasko answered that this is a public space, so they don't have it gated or blocked off. He would say, though, that he doesn't know that they are to the point where they are encouraging public access. Certainly, the public is free to go there if they

are acting safely and taking precautions. He talked to Mr. Hamilton, and they are in the process of getting some initial signs posted in terms of, if you are fishing, catch and release, fishing at your own risk, etc. Again, he still thinks they don't want to open that up massively at this point, but with everything down and demolished, and the site cleared and cleaned up, it's a much more safe site the public can access. They have had one or two meetings with City Architecture, who they have engaged to help with the planning process, amenity listing, and to engage in a few focus groups throughout the design process. This is another project that he thinks will work really well for a public survey in terms of what amenities they want to do, in addition to meeting with groups like Erie Metroparks and the Joint Recreation District, etc. They are moving on it — anyone who has been out there agrees that it looks amazing with the buildings down and everything graded nicely. This is not what it is ultimately going to look like, but it's an even more beautiful site with the buildings down. They are working on the signage, and Mr. Steinwart is also working with the five professional fishermenthat are helping catch fish so that they can get a better understanding of the types that are in there, sizes, etc., so they have a really good understanding of what's in there. They look to have that data finalized in the upcoming weeks and months. It's exciting, and they are starting to see it take shape.

Mayor Tapp asked since they have seeded out there, will there be parking signs? Mr. Lasko answered that there will be. Mayor Tapp added that it looks beautiful now, and hopes it is obvious where to drive.

#### Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Tapp said:

I don't have a whole lot. I just want to give our sincere condolences to Mr. Artino, whose brother passed away on Sunday. Our thoughts are with him and his family. And like Mr. Lasko said, I did attend the Shores and Islands annual meeting — Huron should be proud of that. The award they received — from what I understood there's two high-level awards — and we received one. So, it was a pretty good deal, and the part about getting, basically, an A+ on Doug's grant was pretty spectacular. Again, on something Mr. Lasko mentioned, the surveys that we put out — I am very happy with the responses coming back on the surveys. This isn't the first one. That's great, we like to see that. I think staff is happy that we are getting responses back. I am very happy with that. There are still a lot of things going on in Huron, and again, I always want to thank the staff for their hard work and their dedication, and I want to thank Council for the same thing. With that said, we will move on to...

# For the Good of the Order

William Biddlecombe – My condolences to Mr. Artino and his family, as well. I would like to thank you staff for all your hard work. I would like to welcome Mr. Fantozzi to the Zoning Department, and congratulate Collin Armstrong on earning his paramedic certification. The Scott Union Cemetery Board met last night, where Mr. Swaisgood presented us with a budget and a forecast for the cemetery operations, and I'd like to thank him for preparing these for us. In response to some comments we received (all of us on Council) from Mr. Kaminski in regards to bringing back the signs at the City's gateways announcing state winning athletes, I completely agree with that. I asked staff to look into why they were removed in the first place, and they provided me with some background information. I have also expressed my support to the School Board. Dr. Tatman and the Boosters have also been brought into the

loop, as well. I feel like there is support on all fronts to resurrect these signs. I'd like to support legislation in the future, as long as Council is in agreement, to allow the right of way again to have these signs posted.

Don't miss the City-wide clean-up sponsored by the partnership of the Huron Parks & Rec and the Erie County Solid Waste District. It's this Saturday from 9-11AM beginning at the Parks office on Wall St. Walk your Way to Fitness begins May 1st at Fabens. That is a free program by the Parks & Rec, three days a week, running through September 15<sup>th</sup>. The Fabens Tennis Court survey, like everyone has stated already, is available until May 2nd. I hope everyone goes out there and takes that survey – I posted a couple times on my Council Facebook page, and I know it's on the City's, as well. Congratulations to the Doug and his team on the award. The May large item garbage day this year is Monday May 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations to Will Koenig, who participated in the Boston Marathon recently, and Izzy Cozzie for her college performance in the 4X400. There is a Dine to donate tonight to benefit the Huron PTO, specifically the Evelyn Bauer scholarship, and the next one of those is May 23rd.

# Takeaways from this month's School Board meeting:

- This was the first meeting where they Student Council Liaisons to the Board present, which was nice to see them there and they were giving their opinion to the Board, as well.
- There was a 40-minute executive session regarding the sale of property at competitive bidding. I am assuming that is for the sale of Shawnee.
- They approved the hiring of Toby Miller as the new boys' basketball coach.
- They are considering another levy maybe even possibly an income tax for the schools, but the levy is most likely going to be on the ballot during the presidential election.

#### This weekend there was the Artie Miller Memorial Huron invite. Congratulations to:

- For the 4x800 was Jaydyn Towns, Lucy Watson, Samantha Lesnak, and Kennedy.
- Connor Schaeffer who broke Bill Scott and Mark Baker's old record for the 200m dash
- Beau Harkleroad, Andrew Delaney, Cooper Norwell and Connor Schaeffer for breaking the stadium and meet record in the 4X100
- Austin Brunow, Andrew Delaney, Cooper Norwell and Connor Schaeffer they broke a stadium and meet record in the 4X200
- Kyla Garbe had the first place in long jump for a huge 17'1" jump.
- Beau Harkleroad placed first in 110m and 300m hurdles, and the 4X100, 4X200, and 4X400, and if I missed anyone else, I apologize.

# Varsity Home games coming up:

- Boys Baseball: April 29th, May 2nd, 4th, 9th, 10th
- Girls Softball: April 29th, May 2nd, 9th
- Boys Tennis: April 26th, 28th, May 1st, 4th

Please come out and support all our student athletes, and Go Tigers!

Mark Claus – Condolences to Mr. Artino and his family on the loss of their brother, and I really also want to thank Matt, in particular, and he mentioned the two ladies, and all of his hard work and efforts and time to meet with the folks at Oster's. I know this is going to be ongoing, but I think that's a huge step for us to help us understand where everybody's individual situations are out there so that we can make decisions going forward. There's a lot happening behind the scenes that not everybody's aware of. I encourage anybody that is watching today, I know we don't really have any people in the audience to speak of, but if anybody has questions, wants information, please reach out to the City's department/Matt's office, or your councilmen, and we can try to get those answers for you and tell you what's actually happening. Congratulations to Doug and his team, and we did make some progress down at the fish cleaning station today, but there's a few snags, but it's an awesome site and I'm sure that will be fixed very soon and we will be up and running. I can't wait for that. That's all I have.

Joel Hagy – The only thing I wanted to say was congratulations to Doug and his team on the award. The amenities that we have here in a town the size of ours is absolutely incredible, so anyone who might possibly think all these guys do is mow grass, ought to take a look of these awards that they are racking up. That's all I have.

Joe Dike — I would like to give my condolences to Sam Artino and his family. I would also like to say congratulations to Doug Steinwart and his team, and also the City of Huron, and there was one more great point, but it slipped my mind, so that's all I have tonight. (later in meeting) I was able to remember what I wanted to mention—the Huron Chamber is a doing a Casino de Mayo next Friday, the 5<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 10pm at the Buckeye Sports Center, and he thinks the Chamber is doing some very good things, and I will continue to support them, so I just wanted to make mention of that. Thank you, that's all I have Mr. Mayor. Thank you, thank you.

**Matt Grieves** – Nothing for the good of the order.

#### **Executive Session**

Motion by Mr. Claus to move into executive session to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation, and to invite City Law Director, Todd and Gary and City Manager, Matt Lasko.

Mayor Tapp asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy, Biddlecombe (6)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five or more votes in favor of the motion, Council moved into executive session at 7:06pm.

# **Return to Regular Session**

Council returned to regular session at 7:19pm.

# **Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Biddlecombe to adjourn the regular meeting of Council.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the motion. There being none, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS:

Biddlecombe, Claus, Tapp, Dike, Grieves, Hagy (6)

NAYS:

None (0)

There being a majority in favor of the motion, the regular Council meeting of April 25, 2023 was adjourned at 7:19pm.

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Adopted:					

Terri S. Welkener, Clerk of Council