

**MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024
REGULAR MINUTES/JOURNAL**

These minutes are per the clerk's notes. The meeting did not record.

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL	MR. REYNALD J. PAOLONE	PRESENT
FIRST WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. KEITH SCHUBERT	PRESENT
SECOND WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. MARK STANDOHAR	PRESENT
THIRD WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. JEFF KAY	PRESENT
FOURTH WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. THOMAS GRUMLEY	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MS. LILY MARTUCCIO	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MR. JOHN MOLITERNO	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MR. SAM ZIRAFI	PRESENT

MOTION SCHUBERT SECOND MARTUCCIO TO EXCUSE COUNCILMAN GRUMLEY FROM THE MEETING OF JULY 8TH, 2024.

SCHUBERT 1
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY Absent
MARTUCCIO 2
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI
MOTION PASSES 6-0

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Zuppo asked Val Kermec and Karen and Will Constantino to come forward. The mayor said that if anyone doesn't know who Willie Constantino was, he was one of the finest employees Girard has ever had. He knew where all the valves were and he his work was impeccable. He clean ed everything up and always had a smile on his face. This award is for employees who follow in his footsteps. The mayor asked Willie's widow, Karen, and son, Will, to present the first Willie Constantino employee of the month award. The ayor read and presented the award to Val Kermec. Val thanked everyone and said it was a great place to work. The mayor said that Val was nominated by her supervisor, Jacklyn Massuri. Her nomination came in fast. It was the first one the mayor received right after he asked for nominations.

President of Council asked that the girl Scouts, mayor, and Keith Schubert come up front. Mayor Zuppo said if anyone hasn't been down to Tod Park to see the work the girl scouts did. He said that Councilman Schubert has the idea to present the girl scouts with a proclamation. Mayor Zuppo read the proclamation and presented the award along with Councilman Schubert and the mayor. The girl scouts gave a short presentation explaining the project and thanking their donors.

COMMUNICATIONS

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

MOTION SCHUBERT SECOND KAY TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA OF JULY 8, 2024 AS WRITTEN.

SCHUBERT 1
STANDOHAR
KAY 2
GRUMLEY Absent
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI

MOTION PASSES 6-0

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION ZIRAFI SECOND KAY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2024, AS WRITTEN.

SCHUBERT Abstain
STANDOHAR
KAY 2
GRUMLEY
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI 1
MOTION PASSES 6-0

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE CITY

MAYOR MARK ZUPPO PRESENT

Mayor Zuppo: Mayor Zuppo requested caucus time for the finance and utility committees to discuss Niles water at 6:15 prior to the next council meeting.

COMMENTS:

SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR SALVATORE PONZIO PRESENT

Mr. Ponzio said that the engineering estimates for paving were in for the selected three streets. The longest, most expensive street was Park Ave at \$183,627.50 The reason this came in so high is because of damage on the edges requiring it to have full depth replacement. This will last ten years. If they just scarf the road and pave water on the edges will deteriorate the road every year. Mr. Ponzio said he knows this is an expensive one road project but he feels it is a highly used road and in front of Tod Park. The other estimates from MS were Mosier Rd. at \$74,014.09 and Hazel from Wellman to Elruth at \$68,855.84. the total for all three would be \$326,497.43 total. It would come under \$250,000 that the auditor gave them to do Park Avenue. Mr. Ponzio stated that Councilman Grumley had asked about curbing with asphalt and the engineer said that is difficult because of downspouts going into catch basins it would be very expensive to do.

COMMENTS:

Councilman Standohar obviously if doing Park Avenue they would need to hold off doing it this time of year because of activity at Tod Park. He asked for an estimate of how long the project would take. Mr. Ponzio said he doesn't know. They have no time estimate yet. He will discuss it with Zach.

LAW DIRECTOR BRIAN KREN ABSENT

COMMENTS:

AUDITOR JULIE COGGINS PRESENT

No report.

COMMENTS:

TREASURER HENRY SFORZA PRESENT

Mr. Sforze said he sent reports through June. There was a significant decrease due to Valorec and Metalico contributions. He said it is difficult to guess what their contributions will be. He doesn't know where Vallorec will stand. Right now significantly behind net profit tax. Another line he will have for next meeting composite return through state. Not huge amounts but will show up next meeting. He said that is close to last year.

COMMENTS:

Councilman Zirafi asked based on what Mr. Sforza said both income tax and traffic enforcement not as high as last year. The auditor and treasurer both said yes they will not be as high as last year.

FIRE CHIEF **JAMES PETRUZZI** **PRESENT**

Chief Petruzzi said the fire department has had 1108 calls to date. Both ambulances were delivered and are in service. They are transporting 2nd and 3rd out. The chief said he wanted to have the new ambulance there for them to see but they had a call. He said to stop at the station if anyone would like to see it. The Justin Leo bridge will be closed on July 16th from 8-8 for the IFH fireworks.

COMMENTS:

President of Council said he stopped at the station today to check out the new ambulance. It is very nice.

POLICE CHIEF **JOHN NORMAN** **ABSENT**

COMMENTS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCES-MOLITERNO-GRUMLEY-ZIRAFI

Councilman Moliterno said he has no report. They will have the finance meeting 6:15

COMMENTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-KAY-MARTUCCIO-MOLITERNO

No report.

COMMENTS:

BUILDING & GROUNDS-SCHUBERT-STANDOHAR-KAY

Councilman Schubert said he had no report. He wanted to encourage everyone to go to Tod Park and check out the girl scout project.

COMMENTS:

HEALTH & SAFETY-GRUMLEY-MOLITERNO-MARTUCCIO

Councilman Moliterno said he had no report but echoes that the girls did a great job.

COMMENTS:

STREETS/SIDEWALKS & EMPLOYEE WELFARE-STANDOHAR-KAY-GRUMLEY

Councilman Standohar said they will take Sal's report under advisement.

COMMENTS:

UTILITIES-ZIRAFI-SCHUBERT-STANDOHAR

Councilman Zirafi said that Councilman Grumley asked him to take a look at the wastewater superintendent's contract and it seems like a very reasonable price compared to what other municipalities are doing. He Recommends paying him what is in the contract.

COMMENTS:

ZONING-MARTUCCIO-ZIRAFI-SCHUBERT

Councilwoman Martuccio said she had no report.

COMMENTS:

THEATER-MARTUCCIO-MOLITERNO-SCHUBERT

Councilwoman Martuccio said she had no report but she wants to have a committee meeting and will let them know when. President of Council reminded her council does not meet in August.

COMMENTS:

ORDINANCES

52-26 **SECOND READING**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION OF THE WATER & WASTEWATER SUPERINTENDENT OF THE CITY OF GIRARD, OHIO.

52-27 **SECOND READING**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GIRARD, OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND SUBMITTING COPIES OF SAME TO THE TRUMBULL COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION.

NEW LEGISLATION

MOTION MARTUCCIO SECOND MOLITERNO TO PREPARE LEGISLATION REGARDING COI PONDS AND WATER FEATURES.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY Absent
MARTUCCIO 1
MOLITERNO 2
ZIRAFI
MOTION PASSES 6-0

MOTION STANDOHAR SECOND ZIRAFI TO PREPARE LEGISLATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE 2024 PAVING PROJECT.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR 1
KAY
GRUMLEY Absent
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI 2
MOTION PASSES 6-0

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION SCHUBERT SECOND ZIRAFI TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF JULY 8, 2024.

SCHUBERT 1
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY Absent
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI 2
MOTION PASSES 6-0

REYNALD PAOLONE, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

MONICA URBANIC, CLERK OF COUNCIL