

**CLERK’S JOURNAL OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
EATON, OHIO, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, AT
6:00 P.M., ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023**

Mayor Renner called to order a regular meeting of the Eaton City Council on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. The Deputy Clerk called the roll and found the following to be:

Present:	Christopher Carr Brad Moore Matt Venable Dave Kirsch, Vice Mayor Joe Renner, Mayor
Absent:	None

Also in attendance were City Manager Brad Collins, Assistant City Manager Joe Ferriell, Finance Director Stephanie Hurd, Law Director Ryan Brunk, Police Chief Hurd, Police Lt. Sizemore, Fire/EMS Chief Brian Smith, Maintenance Supervisor Daniel Gray and Public Works Superintendent Chris Denlinger, Assistant Public Works Superintendent Scott Brubaker, Community Development Specialist Leslie Collins and Service and Parks Coordinator Zac Wilson.

Santo Landerer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and gave the Invocation.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

Councilman Carr moved to approve the Clerk’s Journal Entries, to accept the tapes as the official minutes for the regular meeting of September 18, 2023, and to acknowledge the September 2023 Financial Report. Councilman Venable seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes:	Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays:	None (0)

PRESENTATION BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

Public Works Superintendent, Chris Denlinger, presented Council with updates on projects for 2023 and the future needs of the Water and Wastewater Treatment Systems.

ORDINANCE 23-19

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1113 of the Unified Development Ordinance to Add 1113.08 Entitled “Large-Scale Solar Facilities/Solar Energy Farms.”

After further discussion on this matter, Councilman Venable moved to Table Ordinance 23-19 until further research is conducted. Councilman Moore seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes:	Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays:	None (0)

ORDINANCE 23-20

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 23-03, Annual Appropriation for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023.

Councilman Moore moved for the Reading of Ordinance 23-20, by Title only. Councilman Carr seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes:	Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays:	None (0)

Law Director, Ryan Brunk, read Ordinance 23-20, by Title only.

Councilman Moore moved for the adoption of Ordinance 23-20. Councilman Carr seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays: None (0)

ORDINANCE 23-21

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1107 of the Unified Development Ordinance to Add 1107.11 Entitled "Solar/Photovoltaic Energy Systems."

After further discussion on this matter, Councilman Carr moved to Table Ordinance 23-19 until further research is conducted. Councilman Venable seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays: None (0)

RESOLUTION 23-30

A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor.

Vice Mayor Kirsch moved for the adoption of Resolution 23-30. Councilman Moore seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays: None (0)

RESOLUTION 23-31

A Resolution to Award the Bid and Authorize the City Manager to Purchase a Truck Bed Package for the Public Works Division.

Vice Mayor Kirsch moved for the adoption of Resolution 23-31. Councilman Venable seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays: None (0)

RESOLUTION 23-32

A Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Certain General Revenue Funds to Special Revenue Funds.

Councilman Carr moved for the adoption of Resolution 23-32. Councilman Moore seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)
Nays: None (0)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Parks and Recreation Board met on 10-2. Zac Wilson, Service and Parks Coordinator gave an overview of all events, projects, activities and rentals from 2023. The Board was advised that Staff is still waiting to hear on the grant for Playground Equipment at Fort St. Clair Park.
2. Staff met with Whispering Christmas Committee to discuss the Jingle Jog in November and Whispering Christmas.
3. Daniel Gray and Jason Erbaugh were selected to represent the City of Eaton at the American Public Works Association Round Table discussion in Dayton. A City of Eaton vehicle was displayed, and Jason sat in on the discussion regarding providing Community Service.
4. Public Maintenance has set the Leaf Collection Schedule for 2023, this has been shared on our website and Facebook.

5. Omni Fiber and Vectren/Center Point should have their projects completed and check lists done by the end of January 2024. It was suggested that Omni Fiber be advised to mark their equipment with cones better when leaving it on the street overnight.
6. Public Works received a Certificate from the Nation Weather Service and the United States Commerce for 50 years of dedicated service to the National Weather Service Corporation Program.
7. Preble County Fairgrounds hosted the Congress Cutting Championship Oct. 4-8, received positive feedback and will plan to do more events in the future.
8. Eaton Fire/EMS held their annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser on 10-8 with another successful turnout.
9. Fall Fest was held at Seven Mile Park on 10-14. Staff and Sponsors did a great job and we will hope for better weather next year.
10. Newly hired Police Officer Katherine Braun will start on October 23rd.
11. Trick or Treat is scheduled for October 31st from 6-8 p.m.
12. The next scheduled Council meeting will be on Monday, November 20, 2023.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Venable inquired about the purchase of Solar Eclipse glasses for the upcoming event. Council was advised that the City has ordered the glasses and they will be selling them to the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice Mayor Kirsch reminded Council that they will need to meet at the corner of Barron St. and Somers St. for the Annual White Christmas Parade on November 24th at 5:45 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Councilman Moore moved to adjourn. Councilman Venable seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Ayes: Carr, Moore, Venable, Kirsch, Renner (5)

Nays: None (0)

SS Deputy Clerk of Council

SS Mayor