

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 24

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on December 2, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Building Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mr. Jeffrey Jones, Mrs. Bonnie Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Robert Rettich IV was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Pat Shively, Finance Director; Scott Davies, Law Director; Jonathan Moore, Service Director; Chenea Erisman, Senior Center Director; Chip Wirrig, Service Department; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mayor presented a certificate to State Representative Tom Young for his support and dedication to the City of Germantown and for securing the funding of our Covered Bridge Project.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland reviewed the lengthy agenda that includes annual end of the year housekeeping items. It also included a work session and an executive session for this evening.

Chenea Erisman reviewed the proposed legislation to replace the flooring at the center. The current flooring in the center is the original when the center was built. She also updated the council on the various activities that are offered and the increased enrollment.

Chip Wirrig, Service Department, reviewed the proposed legislation regarding the valve and hydrant project and a loan to cover the overage charges for the same project.

Jonathan Moore, Service Director, reviewed the proposal for the painting of the Rt. 4 water tower, and upgrades for the Rt. 4 water tower pumps. He will continue to do leaf collection for the next few weeks and asked that residents place them at the curb for pickup.

Ms. Shively reviewed the legislation for the advancement of taxes, the transfer of funds for 2024, amending assessments on utilities, appropriations for 2024 amendments, the proposed 2025 budget, the proposed pay scale and the passage of the 2025 appropriations.

Mrs. Gilleland wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson thanked Mr. Young for all his support of Germantown.

He thanked everyone who took the time to vote during this past election.

He attended the Greater Dayton Mayors and Managers Meeting in November and is planning on attending the next meeting in December.

He attended the Park Board Meeting on December 4. They are preparing for the upcoming Christmas in the Park event.

He welcomed the new businesses to town, Artisan Market, Sowing Seeds Medical and Hedy and Company. He wishes them all much success in Germantown and encourages everyone to stop in to welcome them.

The Germantown Historical Society will be hosting their Holiday Home Tour on December 8. They will also be offering a horse drawn wagon light tour around town on December 15 and 21.

He reminded everyone that the Veteran Banner applications are due by December 27.

He thanked all the City Staff and our volunteers for their hard work to make Germantown great this year.

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Jones's Report:

Mr. Jones stated he attended the MVRPC meeting in November.

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mrs. Koogle's Report:

Mrs. Koogle stated that the Thanksgiving dinner at the Senior Center was a wonderful event. She thanked everyone who made the event a huge success.

She will be attending the Cemetery Board Meeting next week.

She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn thanked Mr. Young for his hard work and his dedication.

He thanked everyone who made the Germantown Jingle a successful event.

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Reed's Report:

Mr. Reed thanked Mr. Young for all he has done for the city.

The CBC Committee met and prepared the potted Christmas trees that are located in the downtown area.

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The Pool Board met; he was unable to attend. He thanked Mr. Wafzig for attending in his place.

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig attended the November MVCC meeting. They passed the 2025 Budget.

He attended the Pool Board Meeting on behalf of Mr. Reed last month. They passed the pool budget for 2025. They had a great season and are looking forward to next year.

He thanked Mr. Young for his support. The covered bridge is very important to the community and we are thankful for the support.

He encouraged everyone to shop our downtown business and support them. They offer many unique items and services especially for the shopping season.

He wished Happy Holidays to everyone.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. November 4, 2024-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. November 4, 2024-Work Session Meeting Minutes
3. Accept the 2024 Fourth Quarter Credit Card Report (This is a requirement by the State Auditor per the credit card policy)
4. Appointment to the City Beautiful Committee (Term Expires December 31, 2026)
Emily Frigo (she is currently serving as an Ex-Officio Member)
5. Motion to remove the designated two (2) hour parking spaces along North Plum Street in front of the Historical Society on the East Side of Plum Street.
(Staff has no issues with this request)
6. RESOLUTION NO. 24-53
A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE REQUEST FOR TAX YEAR 2024 ADVANCEMENT FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY AUDITOR.
7. RESOLUTION NO. 24-56
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT WITH ASSOCIATED EXCAVATING, INC. FOR THE FIRE HYDRANT AND VALVE REPLACEMENT PROJECT
8. RESOLUTION NO. 24-57
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN FOR THE INCREASED COST OF THE FIRE HYDRANT AND VALVE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 1 PROJECT; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.
9. RESOLUTION NO. 24-58
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SEVEN BROTHERS PAINTING, INC. FOR THE HIGH SERVICE WATER TOWER REHABILITATION.
10. RESOLUTION NO. 24-59
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SWOH, LLC. FOR THE HIGH SERVICE WATER TOWER REHABILITATION.
11. RESOLUTION NO. 24-60
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGH SERVICE AREA WATER TOWER REHABILITATION; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.

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12. RESOLUTION NO. 24-62

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET CAPITAL FUND, POLICE LEVY FUND, AND MMI FUND.

13. RESOLUTION NO. 24-63

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TITAN R&R, LLC, FOR THE SENIOR CENTER REPLACEMENT FLOORING PROJECT.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-49

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 24-32 LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR STORM WATER UTILITY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-49.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-49.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-50

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 24-30 LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR WATER UTILITY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-50.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-50.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

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EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-51

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 24-31 LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR TRASH UTILITY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-51.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Wafzig moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-51.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-52

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 24-29 LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR SEWER UTILITY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-52.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-52.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-54

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW FUND FOR THE CREEK BANK EROSION FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing will be held January 6, 2025.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-55

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE CUTTING AND REMOVAL OF WEEDS AND/OR PLANT GROWTH FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Jones moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-55.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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MOTION: Mr. Reed moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-55.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 24-61

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 23-40 APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 24-61.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 24-61.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 24-44

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2024 CITY BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 24-44.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-45

AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE SECTION 161.02, PAY SCHEDULE, OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN WITH THE ATTACHED PAY SCHEDULE.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved to adopt Ordinance No. 24-45.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-46

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN PERSONNEL MANUAL, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

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MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 24-46.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-47

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved to adopt Ordinance No. 24-47.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

MOTION: Mr. Reed moved to excuse Mr. Rettich.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jones, yes; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Kuhn moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor