

**Village of Mariemont
Council Meeting
August 22, 2022**

Vice-Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Mrs. Brownknight, Ms. Geldbaugh, Mrs. Rankin, and Mr. York.

Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York to excuse Mr. Bartlett. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mr. York moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin, to accept the minutes as written for the Council Meeting August 8, 2022. On roll call: five ayes, no nays.

Communications:

- From Fiscal Officer Ford: Cash Summary Fund Report for July 2022
- From Service Superintendent Scherpenberg: July 2022 Monthly Report

Permission to Address Council:

Motion to Pay the Bills:

Ms. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mr. York to pay the bills as approved by the Mayor, Fiscal Officer and Chairman of the Finance Committee. On roll call: five ayes, no nays.

Committee Reports:

Vice-Mayor Lewis moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin to accept the recommendation of the Public Works & Service Committee met on August 4, 2022 at 4:30 PM to discuss the request for the addition of a crosswalk from the entrance of the Mariemont Library to Isabella Hopkins Park. Present at the meeting were Chairperson Kelly Rankin, Committee Members Rob Bartlett and Randy York, Village Engineer Chris Ertel and Mayor Brown. The addition of a crosswalk crossing Pocahontas at the entrance to the library was discussed and determined that a mid-walk crosswalk between Wooster Pike and Rembold Ave. could potentially be dangerous as cars turning onto Pocahontas and/or cars turning south off of Warrior Way, would not have sufficient time to react if pedestrians are in the street. The Committee recommends against the addition of a crosswalk at the requested area. The Committee also recommends that the crosswalk at Wooster and Pocahontas be repainted. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Miscellaneous:

- Special Meeting of Council will meet Monday August 29, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the Strategic Planning Session Report Summary

Resolutions:

“Resolution Authorizing the Granting of Landscape and Maintenance Easement in Favor of Property Located at 6490 Mariemont Avenue; and To Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mrs. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mr. York to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; five ayes, no

nays. The Resolution had a second reading. Building Official Holloway said the desire is separate the driveways and to create green space between the existing 6500 Mariemont Avenue and the new 6490 Mariemont Avenue. He displayed supporting pictures to the members of Council. The Resolution had a third reading. Ms. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mrs. Brownknight to invoke the emergency. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-32-22 was adopted.

“Authorizing Expenditure from American Rescue Plan Act Funds; and To Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mrs. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. The Resolution had a second and third reading. Mrs. Brownknight moved, seconded by Ms. Geldbaugh to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-33-22 was adopted.

“Resolution to Form a Diversity and Inclusion Committee” had a first reading. Mrs. Brownknight will work with the other members of Council to determine the number of committee members for the next reading.

“Resolution to Confirm Appointment of Members to the Community Reinvestment Council; and To Appoint a Housing Officer” had a first reading.

Ordinances:

“An Ordinance Authorizing Application and Contracting with the Ohio Public Works Commission” had a second reading.

“Approval and Granting Consent to the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation Authority to Apply, Maintain and Repair Standard Longitudinal Pavement markings and Erect Regulatory and Warning Signs on State Highways Inside Village Corporate Limits, and Giving Consent of the Village for the Ohio Department of Transportation to Remove Snow and Ice and Use Snow and Ice Control Material on State Highways Inside the Village Corporate Limits, and Giving Consent of the Village for the Ohio Department of Transportation to Perform Maintenance and/or Repair on State Highways Inside the Village Corporation” had a second reading.

Task List:

Mrs. Brownknight updated Council on the follow-up with Duke Energy regarding the wood poles. Spectrum has completed removal of their equipment on all but five of the poles and has been very responsive. Duke Energy has assigned a Project Manager to ensure the coordination with Cincinnati Bell. She will forward the contact information to the rest of Council and the Mayor once it is received.

Ms. Geldbaugh moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin to have the Task List updates/Committee assignment updates be done quarterly. Mrs. Brownknight wanted to have discussion to understand the thought process. Solicitor McTigue said it should be put on the next meeting agenda for discussion as he would assume both the Mayor and Mr. Bartlett would have input.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Dr. Marcy Lewis, Vice-Mayor

Richard D. Ford, Fiscal Officer