

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

A special session of Troy City Council was held Monday, June 22, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. (Note: R-22-2020 allowed for remote meetings to be held during the state of emergency due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.)

Members Present: Allen, Phillips, Rozell, Schilling, Schweser, Severt, Snee, Terwilliger and Twiss.

Presiding Officer: William Lutz President of Council

Others Present: Robin I. Oda Mayor  
Patrick E. J. Titterington Director of Public Service and Safety  
Grant D. Kerber Director of Law

**READING OF NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:** The Clerk read the Notice of Special Meeting, that there will be a special meeting of the City Council of The City of Troy, Ohio, in said city, on Monday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering the appointments of the Mayor to the Human Relations Commission, to be approved by a motion, second, and roll call vote of Council. This meeting is called by Council President Lutz pursuant to Rule XXV of the Troy City Council Rules for procedure. (Original Notice attached to Original Minutes of Council.)

As this Special Meeting was held remotely and the members could not sign the Notice, each member of Council affirmed that the Notice had been received.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Personnel Committee.** Mr. Twiss, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends that Committee supports the Mayor's appointments of the following to the re-instituted Human Relations Commission, with terms to begin immediately:

- 1 year term: Jordan Atkins, Sharrie Brown, Kane Feltner, David Fong
- 2 year term: Sonia Holycross, Tre Hudson, Stephanie Johnson, Jon Keller
- 3 year term: Caroline Kniceley, Marvin Major, Sr., Loretta Phillips, Todd Severt

Motion. Mr. Twiss moved that the appointees recommended by the Mayor be approved by Council. Motion seconded by Mr. Schilling.

Discussion. The Mayor commented that: 129 applications were submitted in a one-week period for membership on the Human Relations Commission; she reviewed each application; she met with the proposed appointees (in person, by phone, or by Zoom); she believes the proposed appointees will be a good diverse group; and that there will be an education process and good discussion about how to have improvements in Troy. In response to questions, the Mayor stated that the Commission's meetings will be public meetings; the Commission will elect its own officers, set its agenda and meeting dates/time; meetings will be attended by members of the Administration; the Commission's role and guidance is provided by ORC Chapter 135; the Commission may make recommendations, but cannot make laws; reinstating this Commission is not considered short-term, and it is anticipated the Commission will continue to function and meet; and as terms expire or there are vacancies, some members could be reappointed or new members may be sought from existing or new applications.

Vote on Motion. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:23 pm.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

