

The Rules Committee held a meeting on
Wednesday, January 27th, 2025 beginning at 6:40 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Rules: Chair Cerra, Stewart, Tollett, Callahan

Others: Oswald, Siwierka, Schneider

Absent:

Administration and Department Heads Present: Safety Service Dir Pyanowski,
Law Dir Deery, Mayor Brubaker

1. Approval of the November 20th, 2024 Rules Committee Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Callahan moved, second by Mr. Tollett to approved these meeting minutes as circulated.

MOTION CARRIES

2. The matter of The Mayor appointing members to the Elyria Bicycle Advisory Committee.

Referred By: Mayor Brubaker

Mayor Brubaker reminded everyone of the bicycle accident last fall on Burns Road. Discussion on the Bicycle Committee came up and it was talked about to reinstate it. It is a part of the Codified Ordinances. He wanted to reach out to members who were previously on the committee and appoint new ones. Four of the five are here tonight. He met with them and said this is not going to be a committee that's going to have meetings just to have meetings. He wants actionable items to come from the committee. A concern was that in the past when they met, there were items and suggestions made and nothing was followed up on or they weren't taken seriously. He assured that our Planning Dir and the one who will head up the committee, Mr. Schoenig has a background in pedestrian and bicycle safety from his time in his previously job in Jacksonville. He would be the ex-official who would sit in on most of the meetings. The Mayor told the members they can chose their own vice chair and set their own dates and how often they want to meet, set their committee. He wants actionable items that could come out of the committee that could come either through Mr. Schoenig, Council, Engineering, whatever it is. He also wants to have them be a part of our Safety Plans that are out there through many sources. Mayor Brubaker named the members of this committee; Mr. Stewart, Mr. Hornbeck, Mr. Mathes, Mr. LaGrotteria and Mr. Petsche. He is asking that these 5 residents who have volunteered to be on this committee to be appointed by Council.

Mr. Oswald said this is a good group of people for this group, different ages and they can do a lot of good for the city and he thanked everyone.

Mr. Tollett said he thinks this is one of the things the accident really addressed, how important this committee could be for the city. It's important that Council listens to the input of this committee and he thanked everyone.

Mrs. Siwierka also thanked them for their willingness to serve. Their experience as bicyclists and cyclists will give the committee and council insight on lanes, markings, signage and all of those things to help with safety.

Mr. Schneider thanked the committee also and said Mr. Mathes has spoken to the committee and residents' numerous times about bicycle safety.

Motion made by Mr. Callahan second by Mr. Stewart authorizing the appointment of Jordan Stewart, Dan Hornbeck, Mark Mathes, Tony (Joe) LaGrotteria and Adam Petsche to the Elyria Bicycle Advisory Committee. Emergency clause is requested due to imminent need to fill vacancies.

MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

Mr. Cerra asked for a motion to adjourn:

Motion moved by Mr. Callahan and seconded by Mr. Tollett to adjourn the January 27th, 2025 Rules Committee Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

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*Respectfully Submitted by,
Colleen Rosado, Secretary/Administrative Assistant*