## December 2, 2014 Minutes of City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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Meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by President Slaughter with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer. Roll was called and the following were found to be in attendance:

Mayor Sam Keller

President of Council Deborah M. Slaughter

Law Director Mark Waters
Safety Services Director Tom Braun
Council Ward 1 Jim Martin

Council Ward 2 Dennis Dinkelacker

Council Ward 4 Bill Clark
Council At Large Kitty Zech
Council At Large Leslie Roden
Council At Large Amy Richter

Motion to excuse Mr. Sunderhaus' absence was made by Mrs. Richter, seconded by Mr. Martin, and carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Motion to approve the minutes from the November 18 meeting was made by Mrs. Zech, seconded by Mr. Martin and carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

The meeting was turned over to Fire Chief Klein to welcome Charley Moore Jackson, Joe Jackson and twins Mason and MacKenzie, as well as members of their families. Twin Mason and Mackenzie were born at the firehouse on October 31, assisted by Charley's father, Fire Engineers Dave Miller, Patrick Averbeck and police Sgt. Rich Fenster and PO Brandon Goff. Charley then presented each of these individuals with commemorative pins (a pink stork and a blue stork) as a thank you for their service. Several local news teams were there for the presentation.

Following a brief recess, the council meeting resumed. Police Chief Lally delivered a report of activity to the clerk. A copy is available upon request.

Chief Klein approached council about the possibility of replacing the 1987 firetruck with a 2014 model that could be purchased at a substantially discounted price. There will be further discussion at next week's Finance Committee meeting.

Legislation regarding 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Appropriations and Street Levy will be tabled until Council's next meeting, December 16.

Ordinance 14-25 To Amend The 2014 Annual Budget Appropriations; And To Declare An Emergency (Increase in JEDD funding) was introduced by Mr. Dinkelacker, seconded by Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote. Mr. Martin then motioned to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Mr. Clark and carried with 6-0 roll call vote. Motion to adopt was made by Mrs. Richter, seconded by Mr. Clark, and carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Dinkelacker presented the report from the Finance Committee meeting held on November 25. Motion to receive and file was made by Mr. Dinkelacker, with a second by Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Mrs. Roden presented her report of the Buildings and Annexation Committee, also held on November 25. Motion to receive and file was made by Mrs. Roden with a second by Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Keller publicly thanked CWCA and Auto Zone for their cooperation in assuring that the Nativity scene once again graces our city.

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Safety Services Director: Mr. Braun advised that the contractor responsible for the Robb Ave. reconstruction project will be sending a letter out to the residents affected by road closures and inconveniences surrounding the project to advise what the timeline is for project completion. JEDD Board meetings will be held on Thursday, Dec. 4. Reminded all in attendance of the Children's Christmas Fair being held at the Fieldhouse on December 14.

Law Director: Mr. Waters stated that he had met with the Police Department to convey the criteria necessary to justify a probable cause warrant.

Public Recognition: Mr. Mark Depenbrock, of 3339 Harrison Ave. addressed council to voice his concerns regarding what he perceives is a rise in thefts of property of late. Mr. Mike Namacky, who owns a business at 3341 Harrison Ave also addressed council about the same topic as well the removal of a garbage can that has been removed from the street.

Other Business: Appointment of a new OKI rep will be deferred until the December 16 meeting. President Slaughter briefly discussed a program at Cheviot School, *The Leader In Me*. More info will follow.

Correspondence: 2 Property Maintenance Reports. Ohio Ethics Commission is asking for updated info for elected personnel.

Upcoming Meetings: Finance Committee, Tuesday 12/9 at 7:30 to discuss acquisition of a new firetruck. It is requested that the Fire Chief and the Auditor attend.

Seeing no additional matters before council, at 8:48 Mrs. Zech motioned for adjournment. The motion received a second from Mrs. Richter, and carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Jenny Eilermann, Clerk of Council

Deborah M. Slaughter, President of Council