

April 2, 2019
City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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Council President Mark Waters called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer. Roll was then called, and the following were found to be in attendance.

Mayor	Sam Keller
President of Council	Mark Waters
Law Director	Kim Rohr
Safety Services Director	Tom Braun
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	RaeJean Hardig
Council Ward 3	Jim Sunderhaus
Council At Large	Kathleen Zech
Council At Large	Gail Griffin
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Mrs. Zech motioned to excuse Mrs. Tucker. The motion was seconded by Mr. Voss and carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Mrs. Richter motioned to approve the minutes. There was a second by Mrs. Hardig and unanimous voice vote.

Council President then turned the meeting over to Mayor Keller for the swearing in of Brandon Goff as corporal. Brandon has been with the police force for 13 years, having started as a Police Explorer. We congratulate him on his promotion.

Mayor Keller then introduced Debbie Lauman and Kathy Goedel, co-chairs of the Bicentennial Committee for their final committee report. It was a lengthy report, interspersed with good natured humor regarding how what started as a simple request to organize just four events over the course of the year just sort of snowballed and kept rolling. We as a city are very thankful for these two, as well as the other committee members for all their hard work and never-say-die attitude when the task seemed insurmountable.

The following legislation was presented to council:

Ordinance 19-07 To Enact Chapter 96 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances (with regard to Yard Sales) . The ordinance was read by title, motioned by Mrs. Zech, second by Mrs. Hardig. This constitutes the second reading.

Ordinance 19-10 To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Obtain A Loan And Purchase A Garbage Truck; And To Declare An Emergency. Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Ms. Griffin. Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Mrs. Zech. Motion to adopt made by Mr. Voss, second by Ms. Griffin.

Ordinance 19-11 To Extend By 90 Days The Current Moratorium On The Issuance Of Any Business Permits Allowing Retail Dispensaries, Cultivators, Or Processors Of Medical Marijuana Within The City Of Cheviot, Ohio; And To Declare An Emergency. Introduced by Mrs. Zech, second by Mrs. Hardig. Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Ms. Griffin. Motion to adopt made by Mrs. Zech, second by Mr. Voss.

Ordinance 19-12 To Transfer Certain Funds; And To Declare An Emergency. Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Richter. Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Mrs. Richter. Motion to adopt made by Ms. Griffin, second by Mrs. Richter.

Resolution 19-11 To Adopt An Internal Control Policy For The City Of Cheviot Police Department. Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Sunderhaus. Motion to adopt made by Mrs. Zech, second by Mr. Voss.

Resolution 19-12 To Approve Certain Expenditures From The Criminal Activity/ Forfeiture Fund. Introduce by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Hardig. Motion to adopt made by Mrs. Zech, second by Mr. Voss.

Police Chief Emmett Stone submitted a second quarter activity report, which is available at cheviot.org.

Fire Chief Bob Klein reported on a large structure fire on Woodbine Avenue last week, wherein Police Officer Dustin Barlag performed some heroics by saving two people from serious injury, one being a resident who went back inside the burning building to retrieve a pet and another resident who jumped from the second floor balcony and was caught by Barlag.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Keller thanked Mr. Braun and Mr. Craig for helping to finalize the details of the safety study. The changes suggested in the report will have a huge impact on pedestrian safety along the Harrison Avenue and Glenmore Avenue corridors. We are responsible for 10% of the total cost of the study. The rest is being handled by ODOT.

Safety Services Director: Mr. Braun had no report.

Law Director: Mrs. Erdman-Rohr offered no formal report, but stated that she is still waiting for a date of the Family Dollar liquor license hearing.

Public Recognition:

-Mrs. Slaughter will be attending the WeThrive meeting on Thursday. The next Family Day meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9 at 7:30.

-Local business owner Kevin Leidecker addressed council about the number of abandoned shopping carts around town, and asked if there is a procedure in place to have them removed. Kevin and his business neighbor Kevin haul them back to the stores. Public Works routinely returns carts to local stores. There was also some discussion about parking meters.

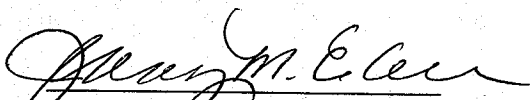
-Former Councilman Jim Martin addressed council regarding an email he had sent last week that was not acknowledged. The topic was the number of business locations for sale throughout our city. Mayor Keller offered a response for each of the properties that was mentioned. There is not an easy answer, as businesses are trending to move away from brick and mortar stores and focusing on online sales.

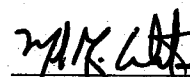
-There was one property maintenance report

-The clerk reminded all members that Financial Disclosures are due May 15 to avoid penalty.

Upcoming meetings: Tuesday, April 9 6:30 Laws, Rules & Ordinances (Zech) regarding yard sale ordinance; Tuesday, April 9 7PM Utilities (Richter) to discuss WaterWorks.

Mrs. Zech motioned for adjournment at 8:47PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Voss, and carried by unanimous vote.


Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council


Mark G. Waters, President of Council