December 15, 2020 City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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Council President Waters called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer.

Roll was then called, with the following members were in attendance:

Mayor Sam Keller (via Zoom)

President of Council Mark Waters

Safety Services Director Tom Braun (via Zoom)

Council Ward 1 David Voss
Council Ward 2 RaeJean Hardig
Council Ward 3 Jim Sunderhaus
Council Ward 4 Dan Cunningham
Council At Large Kathleen Zech

Council At Large Gail Griffin (via Zoom)

Council At Large Amy Richter

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 1 council meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Richter

Mr. Voss read into record his Finance Committee report from their meeting held on December 1, where the committee discussed raising the monthly garbage fee for single family households from \$12 to \$14. The report was received and filed with a motion by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Cunningham. It is posted to the website and is also available through the clerk.

The following legislation was presented to council:

Ordinance 20-28 Quarterly Appropriation Ordinance for First Quarter 2021, Ending March 31. Motion to introduce made by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Zech. Motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Mrs. Richter. Motion to adopt made by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Richter. All motions carried unanimously. The Ordinance was signed by all council member who were present. Once the mayor and Ms. Griffin have affixed their signatures, Mr. Waters will deliver the copies to the Hamilton County Auditor's office.

Ordinance 20-29 To Amend Sections 71.20, 76.42 And 76.99 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Revise The Penalties. While it was intended to pass this legislation tonight, upon closer inspection Mr. Waters noted that the wording of the ordinance was not suitable for the purpose intended, so it was tabled and will be reviewed, with changes recommended and brought back to council after the first of the year.

Ordinance 20-30 Amend The 2020 Budget Appropriations, Transfer Funds & Declare An Emergency. Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Zech, and carried with a 7-0 voice vote. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Mr. Voss, and carried with a 7-0 roll call vote. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Zech and carried with a 7-0 roll call vote.

Administrative Reports

Mayor Keller reports that the new digital message board in front of the fieldhouse is up and running. Any council member that wishes to have a message posted to the board should contact Sarah. Mayor and Mr. Braun met with ODOT regarding the road diet. They were told that funding for the project, in its current state, will not be available until 2025. He and Mr. Braun will work together to see if the project can be scaled back and maybe a less expensive version of it can be paid for with funds other than what ODOT is offering.

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Safety Service Director: Mr. Braun reports that more CARES Act money is coming. SCIP funds are being voted on this week. We are hoping for \$100K for Harvest Home Lodge improvemenets. Family Dollar has requested a transfer of their CRA to the new owner. Mr. Braun suggests approving the request and will forward to Mrs. Rohr to prepare the ordinance.

Law Director: Mrs. Rohr was not in attendance but reported via email that the Unofficial Juvenile Court is going well. Officer Derek Reinshagen is doing a great job preparing for court and assisting her with support from Chief Stone.

Other Business:

- Mayors Court receipts were received and filed with a motion by Mrs. Zech, second by Mrs. Richter.
- Ms. Griffin reports that the Cheviot Police and Fire Toy Giveaway will be happening at Cheviot School on December 16.
- Mr. Sunderhaus reports that he and Mr. Braun attended the Green Township JEDD meeting. All current JEDDs are being renewed.

Seeing no further business before this council, Ms. Griffin motioned for adjournment. Mrs. Richter seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council

Mark G. Waters, President of Council