

**January 5, 2021**  
**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 (via Zoom)
Council At Large	Kathleen Zech (via Zoom)
Council At Large	Gail Griffin (via Zoom)
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 15 council meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Richter

The following legislation was presented to council:

**Resolution 21-01** To Accept The Transfer Of The Community Reinvestment Area Agreement For The Family Dollar Store From Melodie Real Estate Partners, LLC To Harrison Avenue Equities, LLC. Motion to introduce was made by Mrs. Hardig, second by Mrs. Richter. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Sunderhaus, second by Mr. Cunningham.

**Administrative Reports:** Mayor Keller delivered his annual State of the City Address, wherein he offered praise to those people in in administration that keep the city running from day to day, and thanked them for going the extra mile given pandemic and all the challenges it presented. The full report is available on the website under the Reports tab.

Safety Services Director Braun extended his thanks to the mayor and all city staff in 2020. Waiting to see how to proceed with SCIP projects. Hopefully, the pool will be able to open in 2021, and we can retain staff from previous years. Property tax assessments will be presented to council at the next meeting. Bids for Alma, Olivette & Davis are due by January 27.

Law Director Kimberlee Rohr's Annual Report consisted of the following: No lawsuits have been filed against or by the City. The City is involved in a bankruptcy case for a delinquent taxpayer, filed a consolidated proof of claim in the Purdue Pharma bankruptcy case in July, obtained an Order to Dispose of Unclaimed Property for PD. No money collected by Law Director's office. Tax Department is collecting on judgment pursuant to a renegotiated payment plan from last year. Family Dollar's counsel never appealed the administrating ruling upholding the objection to the liquor license (had until 1/16/20). Cheviot Juvenile Unofficial Community Court start was delayed due to COVID; it has had 2 dockets, with another scheduled this month. So far it has been successful and appears to be saving the City money.

Law Director's Report (continued)

Mayor's Court was temporarily suspended in Spring for COVID. It opened back up with changes and restrictions in compliance with the Supreme Court's guidance. It has been successful so far. The Law Director worked with the Clerk of Courts to update some procedures in Mayor's Court; utilizing plea offer/judgment forms that can be transmitted electronically and also have paper documentation.

**Other Business:**

- Treasurer's Reports for the months of June, July, August, September, October and November were received and filed with a motion by Mr. Suonderhaus, a second by Mrs. Richter and a unanimous voice vote.

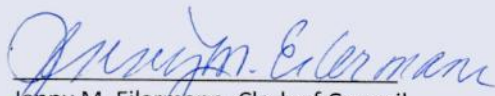
-There was one property maintenance violation

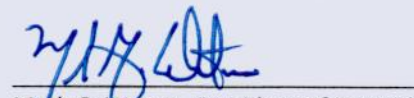
-Mr. Waters presented a statement showing the City's share in the cost of the General Election to the Clerk, who will forward it to the City Auditor's office.

- Mr. Waters presented a copy of Ordinance 20-28, The First Quarter Appropriations signed and dated by the County Auditor's office.

-The notice for the sale of the surplus ambulance is being re-published in a local paper of record. The party who expressed interest is still interested.

Seeing no other business before this council, Mrs. Richter motioned for adjournment, a second was given by Mrs. Hardig, and the meeting adjourned at 7:57PM.

  
Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council

  
Mark G. Waters, President of Council