

**March 19, 2024
City Council, Cheviot, Ohio**

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Council President Smyth 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 members were in attendance:

Mayor	Sam Keller
President of Council	Kerry Smyth
Safety Service Director	Steve Braun
Law Director	Kimberlee Rohr
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	John Hardig
Council Ward 3	Brian Smyth
Council Ward 4	Lindsay Keeble
Council At Large	Troy Borgmann
Council At Large	Stefanie Hawk
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Minutes from the March 5 meeting were approved with a motion by Hardig, second by Richter.

Legislation:

ORDINANCE 24-06 An Ordinance To Amend Sections Of Chapter 36A Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Comply With House Bill 33. Read by title by Voss. This constitutes the second reading.

ORDINANCE 24-07 To Maintain And Confirm The Neutrality Of The City Of Cheviot Towards All Its Residents. Motion to introduce was made by Smyth, second by Voss. Motion carried 5-2 (the two NO votes were by Hawk and Borgmann). This constitutes the first reading.

ORDINANCE 24-08 Annual Appropriation Ordinance For Calendar Year 2024 Ending December 31, 2024. Motion to introduce made by Voss, second by Hardig. Motion to suspend the rules made by Hawk, second by Richter. Motion to adopt made by Hawk, second by Voss.

ORDINANCE 24-09 To Authorize The Establishment of Fire Levy Fund; To Amend The 2024 Annual Budget Appropriations; And To Declare An Emergency. Motion to introduce made by Voss, second by Hardig. Motion to suspend the rules made by Hardig, second by Voss. Motion to adopt made by Smyth, second by Voss.

ORDINANCE 24-10 To Create A New Line Item (Shop With A Cop/Firefighter); And To Declare An Emergency. Motion to introduce made by Voss, second by Smyth. Motion to suspend the rules made by Voss, second by Hardig. Motion to adopt made by Voss, second by Hardig.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

-Mayor Keller reports that a local business is planning to undergo some substantial expansion. More on this as info becomes public. Still waiting to hear about the grant that would enable the demo of the old Cappels store. Mayor publicly acknowledged and thanked Amy Richter and former council personnel Jim Sunderhaus and Debbie Slaughter for keeping Family Day alive. Cincinnati Public Schools has requested to use the tennis courts for an after-school tennis instructional program. More on this to come.

-Safety Service Director Braun announced that Dean Ferrier, a representative of Rumpke Recycling will be at the April 2 council meeting to present information on Rumpke's voluntary household residential recycling program. The cost would be \$5 per month per household and be billed directly by Rumpke. Public hearings regarding the Community Development Block Grant have been scheduled for April 2 and April 16 at 7PM.

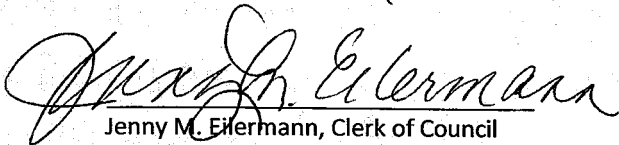
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Law Director Rohr had no formal report but reminded Council that the deadline to sponsor a student for the upcoming Young Citizens Banquet is April 11.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Richter reminded that the Night at the Races being held for the benefit of St. Martins Church will be held on Saturday, May 4. There are still a couple of horses available that need sponsorship. The cost is \$100.
- The annual community Easter Egg Hunt will be held this Sunday, March 24 at Harvest Home Park, rain or shine. The event is open to the public and children 10 and under are invited to participate in the hunting. Registration begins at 1PM. Hunting begins at 2pm with the youngest children running first. There is no cost to participate. Refreshments and other activities will be available at minimal cost.
- Treasurer's Report from February 2024 was received and filed
- Mayor's Court receipts for January and February were received and filed
- Jack Hardig, a senior from Walnut Hills High School, and son of John and Raejean Hardig, was in attendance as part of his American Government course.

Seeing no further business before this council, B. Smyth motioned for adjournment. Borgmann seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.


Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council

Kerry Smyth, President of Council