

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO

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April 3, 2007

The regular session of Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

President of Council Pro-Tem	Kathleen S. Zech
Law Director	Mark G. Waters
Safety Service Director	Steven O. Neal
Council 2 nd Ward	Dennis T. Dinkelacker
Council 3 rd Ward	James F. Sunderhaus
Council 4 th Ward	Greg J. Stautberg
Council at Large	Charles L. Norman
Council at Large	Steven L. Braun

Mr. Dinkelacker made a motion to excuse Mr. Zech with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. The minutes of March 20th, 2007 were approved. President Zech called for the reports that would be presented.

Recognition of the Public

Trish Schumann of the Stamp and Scrap Clubhouse at 3408 Harrison Avenue came to Council to express her concerns about a new bar/restaurant that would be opening next to her business. There was much discussion. Ms. Schumann asked if there was anything that could be done about the lack of available parking this new business will create since her customers will no longer have access to a small parking lot currently near her business on Harrison Avenue. There was much discussion about the possibility of adding steps from the parking lot around the corner on North Bend Road to the rear of her business. President Zech referred the issue to the Streets and Sidewalks Committee for further review.

Safety-Service Director's Report

Mr. Neal had no formal report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Keller did not forward a report.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Waters read the text of a resolution *To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Solicit Bids For The Reconditioning Of The Exterior Of The Cheviot Municipal Building; And To Declare An Emergency*. Mr. Norman introduced the resolution by title with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 07-04.

Committee Reports

Ward 1 - Mrs. Zech read a report by Mr. Zech of the Parks and Playgrounds Committee into the record. Mr. Sunderhaus made a motion to receive and file the report with a second from Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. Mrs. Zech made a motion *To Set The Charges For Pool Usage For The 2007 Season; To Set The Wage Rates For Pool Personnel; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 5-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 07-11. Mr. Stautberg made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Braun. The motion carried 5-0-1 by roll call vote with Mr. Sunderhaus abstaining. Mr. Dinkelacker made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 5-0-1 by roll call vote with Mr. Sunderhaus abstaining.

Ward 2 - Mr. Dinkelacker had no formal report. Mr. Dinkelacker informed Council that the next Project Impact meeting would be held on Wednesday, April 25th at 6:30 P.M. in the Fire Department Meeting Room.

Ward 3 - Mr. Sunderhaus had no formal report. Mr. Sunderhaus called a meeting of the Police and Fire Committee for Wednesday, April 11th at 6:30 P.M.

Ward 4 - Mr. Stautberg had no formal report. Mr. Stautberg updated Council on a recent public hearing regarding the City's gas aggregation program. Mr. Stautberg made a motion *To Adopt A Plan Of Operation And Governance For The City Natural Gas Aggregation Program; To Implement A Planned Timeline For The Implementation Of The Gas Aggregation Program; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 07-05.

Council at Large – Mrs. Zech had no formal report. Mrs. Zech made a motion *To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Issue A Request For Proposal For The Purchase Of The Property And Liability Insurance For The City Of Cheviot For The Period Of June 1, 2007 Until June 1, 2008; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. After some discussion, the motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 07-06.

Council at Large - Mr. Norman had no formal report. Mr. Norman made a motion *To Amend The 2007 Annual Appropriations; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Braun. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 07-12. Mr. Stautberg made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Stautberg made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Norman thanked Mr. Neal for his work on the City Budget. Mr. Norman called a meeting of the Finance Committee for Tuesday, April 10th at 6:30 P.M.

Council at Large - Mr. Braun had no formal report. Mr. Braun called a meeting of the Streets and Sidewalks Committee for Tuesday, April 10th at 7:00 P.M.

Further Business

Mr. Dinkelacker made a motion to receive and file the March 2007 Mayor's Court receipts with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

Correspondence

A letter regarding Permit Renewal Objections from the Ohio Department of Commerce, a reminder about the Financial Disclosure Statement Deadline from the Ohio Ethics Commission, a letter from CamVic Corporation regarding a proposed change to the sign on the old Frank's Nursery building, two Legislative Bulletins as well as information on training programs from the Ohio Municipal League, a newsletter from the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission, two building inspection reports and a letter from the Building Department to the Safety-Service Director appointing Tom Braun as the Code Official in charge of the enforcement of the Property Maintenance Code were received.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Braun with a second from Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Matthew D. McGowan
Clerk of Council

Kathleen S. Zech
President of Council Pro-Tem