

October 18, 2022
City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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President Kerry Smyth called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent prayer. Keeping the family of Ann Buchanan in our prayers. Ann was the widow of former Safety Service Director Rob Buchanan. She passed away recently.

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

President of Council	Kerry Smyth
Safety Service Director	Tom Braun
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	John Hardig
Council Ward 3	Brian Smyth
Council Ward 4	Lindsay Jones
Council At Large	Kitty Zech
Council At Large	Stefanie Hawk
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Michele Balz, from Hamilton County R3source presented information regarding updates to the 15 year Solid Waste Plan. Some grants are available for municipalities who would like to make improvements to their waste collection/reduction/recycling programs. Ms. Balz presented handouts to those in attendance.

Law Director Kimberlee Rohr was not present for roll call, but joined the meeting at 7:43.

The clerk read a brief synopsis of each piece of legislation being presented to Council tonight.

Minutes from the October 4 meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. B. Smyth, second by Mrs. Zech and 7-0 voice vote. Minutes from the October 11 special council meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. B. Smyth and unanimous voice vote.

Legislation:

Resolution 22-16 To Accept The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission; To Authorize The necessary Tax Levies; To Certify Them To The County Auditor; And To Declare An Emergency. Mr. Voss motioned to introduce, Mrs. Zech seconded. Roll call vote was taken with 7 in favor of and 0 opposed to adoption of the resolution.

Ordinance 22-21: To Amend Section 33.42 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances (re: compensatory & sick time for Police & Fire Chiefs). Mr. Voss asked that the final reading of the ordinance be postponed to the November 1 meeting, allowing ample time for the Law Director to make changes as requested by the finance committee.

Ordinance 22-23 To Amend Sections 110.20, 110.21, 110.22 And 110.23 Of The Cheviot Code of Ordinances (the fireworks ordinance) was read by title by Mrs. Zech. This constitutes the third and final reading. Roll call vote found that all members of council were in favor of adoption of the ordinance.

Ordinance 22-25 To Amend The 2022 Annual Budget Appropriations; Transfer Certain Funds; And To Declare An Emergency. Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. B. Smyth. There was no discussion. Motion to suspend the rules was made by D. Voss, second by A. Richter. Motion to adopt was made by Ms. Hawk, second by Mr. B. Smyth. All motions carried unanimously.

Administrative Reports:

Mayor Keller left no report.

Safety Service Director: Mr. Braun reported that the Herbert/Alta Vista/Mayfair resurfacing project will begin in the coming weeks, but will not be completed until next spring due to the asphalt plants being shut down for the winter. The new electric panel for the HVAC system at harvest Home Lodge is in, but is still missing some internal parts. Park improvement funds will be open to public input, Safety Study needs council vote to approve. Still waiting for results from a couple of grant applications. Let Sarah know if you need to reserve any facilities in 2023 as she's getting requests already.

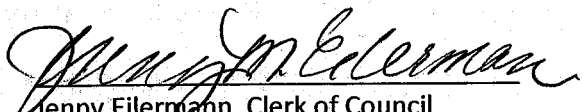
Law Director Rohr had no report.

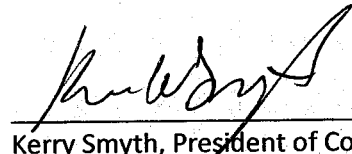
Other Business: Mrs. Zech spoke of details of the Façade Improvement Grants, identifying the process by which the \$150,000 will be awarded, and that the individual businesses will be required to pay 20% of the total cost of their particular projects, with the grant covering 80%. Council agreed that no further discussion is needed in committee. Mrs. Zech is requested that the Law Director prepare legislation enabling the City to accept the grant.

Mr. Hardig called a meeting of the Zoning Committee to discuss uses for the Cappel's building. The meeting will be held immediately following the November 1 council meeting. Mrs. Statkus will attend. Mrs. Richter notes that no Treasurer's report has been received. She asked if we could request that Mrs. Hardig attend the November 1 meeting to update council. Mr. Hardig will ask if she can avail herself to the November 1 meeting.

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Seeing no further business before this council Mrs. Richter motioned for adjournment. Mr. B. Smyth seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:18.


Jenny Eilermann, Clerk of Council


Kerry Smyth, President of Council