**July 1, 2025**

**Cheviot City Council Meeting**

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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:

 President of Council Kerry Smyth

 Mayor Sam Keller

 Safety Services Director Steve Braun

 Council Ward 1 David Voss

 Council Ward 2 John Hardig

 Council Ward 3 Brian Smyth

Council Ward 4 Lindsay Keeble

 Council At Large Stefanie Hawk

 Council At Large Amy Richter

Mr. Borgmann’s absence was excused with a motion by Mrs. Richter, second by Mr. Hardig.

Minutes of the June 17 meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Ms. Hawk.

**Public Recognition on Agenda Items:**

No one from the public asked to address council.

**Legislation:**

**Ordinance 25-10** To Authorize Pay Raises For Certain Part-Time Employees; And to Declare An Emergency. Third reading by Mr. Hardig. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Hardig, second by Ms. Hawk. Voice vote was 6 yesses, zero nos. Mr. Borgmann was not present for the vote.

**Ordinance 25-11** To Authorize Pay Raises For Certain Full-Time Employees; And To Declare An Emergency. Presented for its third reading by Mr. Hardig. There was discussion regarding changing the wording of the ordinance to review the proposed salary range after 1 year. Motion to amend was made by Mrs. Richter, second by Mr. Smyth. That motion carried by a 5-1 roll call vote, with Ms Hawk being the NO vote citing that the legislation is dated for May of 2025 and therefore the motion to amend was unnecessary. Mr. Hardig motioned to adopt as amended. Ms. Hawk seconded, and the ordinance was adopted. (Clerk advised Law Director of Council’s wishes to change the verbiage)

**Resolution 25-16** To Approve The Final Hamilton County 9-1-1 Plan Pursuant To Ohio Revised Code Chapter 128. Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Harding, second by Ms. Hawk. Adopted by unanimous council vote.

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**Administrative Reports:**

-Mayor Keller thanked Bonnie Perrino and Kevin Leidecker for a highly successful West Fest. He also thanked John and RaeJean Hardig for their years of service to the community.

-Safety Service Director Braun: The Emergency services lot is nearing completion. Our Bridgetown Road resurfacing project will be funded partly by Municipal Road Fund monies.

-Law Director Kimberlee Rohr was absent from the meeting.

**Public Recognition:**

-Kevin Leidecker thanked the City for its cooperation in helping pull off the first Westfest in almost ten years.

**Other Business:**

-Mrs. Richter commented that the 250 meeting will be held tomorrow (7/2/25). The celebration will be held at the Cheviot Fieldhouse 6/27/2026 and will include fireworks and a drone show. Mrs. Richter also thanks the Hardigs for their service to the city.

-Ms. Hawk gave a report of an emergency meeting of the LSDMC this week. Teaching positions are being cut districtwide.

-Mr. Hardig spoke about he and Rae Jean’s tenure with Council. He announced that Chris Watt will be replacing him to fill out the remainder of his term, ending 12/31/25.

-Mr. Smyth gave a shout out to the lifeguards at Harvest home pool. One of them (his daughter) had a save recently.

-Mrs. Richter motioned that council take its annual vacation day on September 2. Second by Mr. Smyth. Motion carried unanimously.

Seeing no further business before this council, Mrs. Richter motioned for adjournment. Mr. Smyth seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:12PM.

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Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council Kerry Smyth, President of Council

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