September 16, 2025

Cheviot City Council Meeting

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
Law Director	Kimberlee Rohr
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	Chris Watt
Council Ward 3	Brian Smyth
Council Ward 4	Lindsay Keeble
Council At Large	Troy Borgmann
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Ms. Hawk's absence was excused with a motion by Mrs. Richter, second by Mr. Voss.

Minutes of the August 19 meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann.

Public Recognition:

Lucy Markovich from Give Back Cincinnati addressed council about the 2026 Paint The Town Event to be held in Cheviot. Application period will be from December to mid March. Applications will be posted to the city's website. Awards will be determined by several factors including need and income.

Ms. Sara Hutchinson was not in attendance to discuss her concern regarding the feral cats in her neighborhood.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Mr.Voss read into record his report of the August 19 Finance Committee meeting wherein there was discussion of changing a line item in the annual budget regarding spending limits. He motioned to receive and file the report, Mr. Borgmann seconded.

Legislation:

Resolution 25-19 To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Solicit Bids For The Reconstruction of Harding and Homelawn Avenues. Introduced by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann. There was no discussion. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann.

Resolution 25-20 To Authorize Participation In Proposed Opioid Settlement Agreements With Purdue Pharma L.P. And The Sackler Family. Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Mrs. Richter. Motion to adopt was made by Mr.Smyth, second by Mr. Voss.

Resolution 25-21 To Appoint A Chief Executive Officer, A Chief Financial Officer, And A Project Manager To Submit The Necessary Application For The State Capital Improvement Program; To Execute A Project Agreement; And To Declare An Emergency (Washington & Walter Aves.) Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Smyth. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann.

Resolution 25-22 To Authorize The Safety Service Director To Prepare And Submit An Application To Participate In The Mutual Road Fund And To execute Contracts As Required (Washington and Walter). Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Watt. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Voss.

Resolution 25-23 To Appoint A Chief Executive Officer, A Chief Financial Officer And A Project Manager To Submit The Necessary Application For The State Capital Improvement Program; To Execute A Project Agreement; And To Declare An Emergency (Kenkel & Ruckle Avenues). Introduced by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Smyth. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Voss.

Ordinance 25-13 An Ordinance To Amend Section 93.01 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Amend The Curfew For Certain Minors; And To Declare an Emergency. Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mrs. Keeble. The vote to suspend the rules was made as follows: Mr. Voss, Mr. Watt and Mrs. Richter voted NO, while Mr. Smyth, Mrs. Keeble and Mr. Borgmann voted YES. This constitutes the second reading.

Ordinance 25-14 To Accept The Bid Of Adleta Construction, Inc. For The Bridgetown Road And Nolan Avenue Improvements; And To Declare An Emergency. Motion to introduce made by Mr. Voss, second by Mr. Borgmann. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Smyth,second by Mr Voss.

Ordinance 25-15 An Ordinance To Amend Sections Of Chapter 131 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances To Amend Park Hours and Use Of Park Facilities. Motion to introduce was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Voss. Roll call vote revealed that Mrs. Richter was the sole NO vote. This constitutes the first reading.

Ordinance 25-16 To Accept The Bid Of Paradigm Construction & Development LLC To Demolish The City Owned Property At 3625 Harrison Avenue; And To Declare An Emergency. Introduced by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann. Mayor Keller explained that the building is not being demolished. There will be some selective demolition to the building's interior. Motion to adopt made by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Borgmann.

Administrative Reports:

-Mayor Keller encouraged all in attendance to complete their cyber security training. Several modules were included in the first portion. Single modules will be emailed to each member in the coming months. The contract for the former Cappel's building has been approved by the City and Central Station, and has been sent to the CIC. Brian Smyth thanked the mayor lowering the flags to half staff in honor of Charlie Kirk.

-Safety Service Director Braun that the only bid received for the demo project at 3625 Harrison was from Paradigm. He also thanked the Law Director for preparing all of the legislation for tonight's meeting on short notice.

-Law Director Rohr had no report.

Other Business:

-Mrs. Richter announced that walking maps will be available as part of the America 250 celebration. She is going to ask Metro to fund them. Commemorative bricks are still available. Order forms are available at Cheviot.org. She would also like Council to consider the purchase of two storefronts at 3507 Harrison for the Cheviot Historical Society. Mr. Voss called a meeting of the Finance Committee for discussion. The meeting will be held October 7 immediately following the regular council meeting.

-Treasurer's report from July was received and filed with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Voss.

-Mayor's court receipts were received and filed with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Mr. Voss.

Seeing no further business before this council, Mr. Smyth motioned for adjournment. Mr. Borgmann seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:26PM.

All motions mentioned herein carried by unanimous voice vote unless otherwise noted.

Jenny M. Eilermann

Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council

Kerry Smyth, President of Council

David W. Voss - Council, Third Party Signature