

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 17, 2015

The council meeting was called to order by President of Council Pro Tem James Wolf at 7:00pm. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Wolf, Mrs. Moody, Ms. Brandy, Mr. Parsons, Mrs. George, Ms. Petersen

Absent and Excused: Mrs. Lingo, Ross Bittner, President of Council

Mrs. George made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Parsons to excuse the absent members. All in favor *motion carried*.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Joseph Roetting, City Manager Bill Kocher, Law Director Steve Wolf, Finance Director Jill Claire

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes with the time of meeting adjournment changed to 7:45pm of the March 3, 2015 meeting was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Ms. Petersen. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Steve Harness, President, Board of Education; the selection of candidates for the new superintendent is now down to 3 outstanding applicants. 1) Reva Cosby, Principal of Wayne High School. 2) Joyce Hackett, currently Director for the Columbus City Schools. 3) Anthony Orr, Superintendent at Northwestern Local Schools. They will be having their 2nd interviews next week. Plan to have a new Superintendent by the end of April.

With the lowering interest rates and the outstanding credit score for the district we were able to re-finance our bonds that paid for the new school buildings and it will save the residents of the school district about a million dollars.

There will be a Bicentennial Bash on December 31, 2016 to kick off 2017.

Mt. Healthy graduate reunion get together will be Saturday, June 24th. There will be more information on this to follow soon.

Kim Cremeans, Question regarding the discussion regarding the snow emergency signs at the end of Perry Street. They have December 1 – April 1. This only means when the City declares a snow emergency.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Events/Park: James Wolf; the summer event schedule is on the website.

Business Partnership: Bob Parsons; Attended the MHBA meeting last Monday.

- Mt. Healthy Renaissance project is getting underway. Looking for ideas to improve the community and strengthen the business district. May 9th they will be holding a Cash Mob from 1pm-4pm downtown.
- MHBA would like to make a formal request to be involved in any development in the central business district from the beginning of the process
- Crews have been out working on the pot holes.
- Nicole Chenault was at the meeting. She has a non-profit – What do I stand for? She has several things going on for the community. Liter Patrol will be the 3rd Saturday of the month beginning in April through October. Going to be getting painted trash cans around the city.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Joseph Roetting

Just would like to mention that there seems to be more trash around the city now that the snow has melt. Let's work together and start picking up trash as we are out and about in the city.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: *Bill Kocher*

Civil Service certified the Full Time Police Officers exams. The named the top 10 applicants. There is two part-time officers that are in the top 10. The interview process will begin. The Chief is pulling together a panel to assist with the interviews.

Officer Joe Powell will be retiring on May 4, 2015.

There was a typing error found on the Full Time Police Officers contract. In group B the effective date should be January 1, 2015 instead of September 1, 2015.

- *Mr. Parsons makes a motion to change the date in the contract to be January 1, 2015. Mrs. George seconds the motion. An aye vote carries and motion is adopted.*

Have met with ODOT regarding Heritage Park and La Boiteaux Wetland Maintenance Items. They have always owned the park. We want to keep this a park and want to continue our relationship with ODOT.

ODOT will be responsible for the original wetland such as, but not limited to the following items:

1. Retention basin-drainage, weir system spillway and concrete drainage structure
2. Standard chain link right-of-way fence around property

The planning commission met yesterday regarding Cary Crossing at the old Duvall property. This will go in two phases. Phase 1 will be housing. Phase 2 will be the retail. This was just to approve the plan design in which there is no variances and met all zoning requirements.

The second discussion was the annexation of the High School. We annexed it in, but never established zoning.

Finance Director: *Jill Claire*

February month end reports were in the council packets

We are waiting on reports from RITA that will give us the breakdown of the Police Levy dollars.

There is a newsletter in the works for the next waste bill.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 15-1746: An ordinance to authorizing the City Manager to execute rental agreements for the City owned property at 7508 Hamilton Avenue. A motion to suspend the two reading rule was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. George. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 15-1071 A first reading of resolution authorizing the City Manager to prepare and submit an application to participate in the State of Ohio Nature works grant program and to execute contracts as required.

Resolution 15-1072 A first reading of resolution authorizing an amended agreement with the Center for Local Government joint self-insurance benefit pool.

OLD BUSINESS:

The city has not had to use Springfield Township for police backup, but it is getting tough.

Dine to donate will be at Perkins on March 18th. This will benefit the Historical Society.

NEW BUSINESS:

Our police clerk has resigned. Administration has been working with the Chief to see what the best way to move forward with this position. Administration has been helping out as best they can.

Jeanne George volunteered to help while the transition of the police clerk is going on.

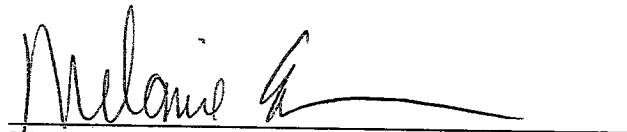
Mr. Kocher will follow up with Port Authority on the recent work being done on the Main Theatre.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Ms. Brandy. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council