

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 16, 2015

Public hearing is opened up at 7:00pm regarding the estimated budget for 2016. This is due to the county by July 20th. This is a clone of last year's budget.

No questions. Closed at 7:05pm

The council meeting was called to order by President of Council Ross Bittner at 7:05pm. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent and Excused: Mrs. Moody

Ms. Brandy made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. George to excuse the absent member. All in favor *motion carried*.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes with changes made on page 2 of the May 19, 2015 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Brandy. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Steve Harness, Mt. Healthy School Board; graduation was on May 30th with 206 graduates.

Monday at 7:30pm, June 22nd we will be celebrating Lori Handler's 38th year with the district. She will be retiring at the end of June.

Dr. Reva Cosby is getting on board as our new Superintendent.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

- Celebrate Mt. Healthy on September 12th. There will also be a Classic Car Show prior to Celebrate which will be held at the Mt. Healthy Christian Home. Celebrate starts at 3:00pm.
- Arlington Memorial have begun having summer concerts and will continue through August.
- Renaissance Project had a plant swap.
- Community Life Church will be having their first service on July 19th. The week of July 13th every night of the week they will be having a block party from 6-9pm
- Business of the month for June is: Dwight Moody State Farm Insurance

Historical Society; Dine to Donate at Perkins is Wednesday, June 17th.

Events/Park Recreation: Jamie Wolf;

- 1st Friday event - Madcap Puppets was a success. The room was packed.
- 1st Bingo is drawing a big crowd at near capacity
- Yoga is Wednesday at 6:00pm
- Movie on Friday at stage – Big Hero 6. Starts at dark.
- June 25th Military Band at the gazebo at 7pm

MAYOR'S REPORT: Joseph Roetting

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher

Met with engineers regarding our street priorities. They believe we are going to get funded for Perry Street from Compton, North. It is partially funded now and maybe July they will get back to us and say we are funded and we will start the process of getting the engineer and going out to bid. Will probably be the first project for next year with the timing. The 2nd priority is Compton. Compton qualifies for MRF (Municipal Road Funds). We can get money from the County if we get it through the state and this failed.

Chief Demasi had a follow up report for Assumption Festival. Overall he feels it was a successful event. They had mentors at this event and it really helped to keep crowds from gathering. Mr. Baker worked with Overflow Ministries to provide the mentors. There was no pre-arranged agreement. Would like to compensate Mr. Baker in some way. We would like to keep the relationships going. Talking to Mr. Wolf and he was able to donate \$1000 to Overflow Ministries. The Mayor is putting together something for Mr. Baker and thinks he can come up with \$700 and maybe the City can put in \$500.

Mr. Parsons made a motion to compensate Mr. Baker for his services with the Assumption Festival in the amount of \$500 and Mr. Wolf seconded. Four aye and two nays – aye vote carried the motion and is passed.

Issue 2. Street Levy on ballot for special election on August 4th. Need to get advertisement out to residents. Need to get something in the Hilltop. By the next council meeting we need to determine what our approach will be.

State brought in an expert on from Massachusetts about beavers. They have been dealing with this problem for years. They try to co-habitat with them. The state put in devices at Heritage Park to stop the beavers from damming the pond up. There are no beavers there now.

Independent Energy Consultants 1st quarter reports are available.

Redline Bar is continued to be monitored.

Executive session before adjournment tonight.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Jill Claire

May month end reports are in the packets.

Need to adopt the proposed estimated tax budget.

In your packet was a scope of Decosimo's work.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 15-1751 An ordinance authorizing the establishment of an escrow fund with an escrow agent for the deposit of proceeds resulting from the sale of certain property located on Compton Road (commonly referred to as the remainder of the Duval Property), which proceeds shall be used to defease a portion of the City's series 2011 bonds; Authorizing the City to engage an escrow agent and verification agent in order to effectuate the defeasance of a portion of the series 2011 bonds and matters related thereto and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Petersen. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 15-1075 A resolution declaring it necessary for levying tax exceeding ten-mill limitation and requesting the County Auditor to certify matters in connection therewith. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion to adopt the Tax Budget for 2016 was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion. Budget was adopted.

There have been no additional complaints regarding the smoke at Goodies. They did put additional venting systems up.

We are in the second tax season with RITA. We now have comparison numbers and we can now start looking into the numbers.

Council would like to see a RITA report showing comparison numbers from the two years.

NEW BUSINESS:

There has been vendors in parking lots lately. There was a vendor down at the old car wash parking lot. The owner was contacted and there was to be nobody allowed on the lot to solicit.

The corner sidewalk of Kinney and Hamilton has been destroyed by the buses turning that corner. Something needs to be done about this before somebody falls.

Mr. Kocher will follow up on this.

A motion to move into Executive Session at 8:20pm regarding employee issues was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mr. Wolf.

Returned at 8:58pm

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mrs. George. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 P.M.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council