

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 5, 2016

Former Law Director, Steve Wolf swore in new Mayor James Wolf.

President of Council, Ross Bittner swore in Council at Large members Jeanne George, Judy Petersen, Joe Roetting, and Kisha Dosa.

The council meeting was called to order by President of Council Ross Bittner at 7:00pm. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mrs. Lingo, Mrs. Moody, Mr. Parsons, Mrs. George, Ms. Petersen, Mr. Roetting, Mrs. Dosa

Absent and Excused: None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

City Manager Bill Kocher, Mayor James Wolf, Finance Director Jill Claire

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes as printed of the December 15, 2015 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. George. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

Jason Carroll, VP of Acquisitions & Development and Dave Uram, Principal are representatives from PIRHL are here regarding their purchase of Compton Groves. There were 8 bidders on the property and PIRHL was winner. They have until the middle of January to make a final decision to go forward with the sale. The property was built in 1973 and there is significant work that needs to be done. PIRHL is looking to invest in the property to stabilize as a long term investment. There are major repairs that need to be done to the exterior. They would bring in new management, which is crucial to running apartment complexes. They are looking to putting \$40,000 per unit, which will raise the rent slightly. Basically the property as it is now is not operating in a good manner, which the cause is poor management. The property has great potential there is just a lot of clean up that needs to be done. We would be getting tax credits that are out there to help fund the renovations. Their goal for this property is for it to become property of choice not last resort. They will keep the city in the loop as things develop. Would be looking at a completion of renovations being in 2018.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: *James Wolf*

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: *Bill Kocher*

The Port has acquired The Main Theatre. They did work to stabilize the building a few years ago. They will offer it to the City for purchase.

We have closed on 7612 Hamilton Avenue. We have secured the property and are looking at ideas we can do for the windows to make it look nicer.

The Family Dollar in Hilltop Plaza has the ball in their court. We are just waiting to see what they decide to do.

Gave feedback to Habitat for Humanity through The Port. They will work on a larger scale home for the property. The Port is pulling the lien on the property.

There will be a work session after council meeting to discuss the traffic study on Hamilton and St. Clair.

Council Work Session

1/5/2016

Meeting opened at 8:10 p.m. to review Intersection Analysis for US 127 and St. Clair Ave. Challenges with this intersection were reviewed. Council needs to decide whether to implement the recommendations:

- Prohibit parking on the north and south sides of St. Clair from the intersection to the first driveway.
 - Parking is an issue all the time, not just during funerals.
 - Add signage No Parking in drive ways/fire hydrants. Bill Kocher will follow up.
 - The bus stop at this location is problematic – it should be eliminated and just use the Madison stop. Or at least eliminate bus breaks at this stop. Bill Kocher will follow up.
- Prohibit left turns from St. Clair onto US 127. It is reasonable to prohibit these left turns from 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM, the same time as the left turn prohibition along US 127.
 - If a traffic light is added, this problem would be eliminated. Lake of the Woods is interested in a light and would assist financially (amount TBD). State would not contribute toward cost. Walker may be interested in helping pay for it (they have not been approached).
 - Bill Kocher will request a light feasibility study (cost @ \$1,000) and hold off on no left turn decision.
- The city should require the use of 2 uniformed officers when traffic on US 127 is required to be stopped for a funeral procession to exit St. Clair Avenue.
 - Bill Kocher will contact Walker about uniformed officers and their interest in helping fund a traffic light.

Work session adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 15-1770: An ordinance assessing costs of demolition and removal of unsafe structures and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mrs. Moody and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. George. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 16-1083: A first reading of resolution requesting the County Auditor to make payments of taxes pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 321.34

OLD BUSINESS:

1514 Compton Road; There will be a public hearing before the January 19th meeting regarding this property. They allowed Mr. Knight entry to the property and there will be new pictures. This will be for legal clarity that we are basically starting the process over.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Evans Dine to Donate benefiting the Mt. Healthy Food Pantry will be this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Coupons are available.

Looks like the car wash on Hamilton across from White Castle will be opening soon. There is a new owner.

President of Council would like to nominate a new Pro-Tempore. Would like to nominate Mrs. Lingo.

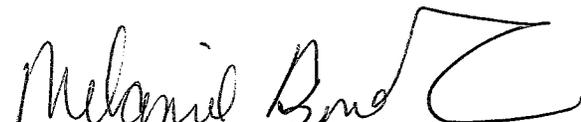
Mr. Parsons made a motion to accept Mrs. Lingo as Pro-Tempore. Mrs. Moody seconded the motion. An aye vote carried the motion.

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 8:10 p.m.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council