

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 15, 2016

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

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent and Excused: Mrs. George

Mrs. Moody made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Roetting to excuse the absent member. All in favor *motion carried*.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor James Wolf, City Manager Bill Kocher

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes with corrections made of the March 1, 2016 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Petersen. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

February Police Department report was in council packets.

February EMS/Fire Runs report was in council packets.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

Jason Carroll and David Uram from PIRHL are here again to update council on where things stand with Compton Groves. They plan to take ownership of the property around April 25th. They have selected Towne Properties as the management company for the property. There have been meetings with the Police Chief and he has given PIRHL great ideas for safety. They are even looking to have a substation on the property for the Mt. Healthy Police. The biggest thing they need to get in place now is the tax abatement from the city and school district. The goal is stabilization for this property.

Mr. Kocher is going to get the law director in touch with the correct folks at PIRHL to get the tax abatement paperwork started. This will be something new to the city.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Business Partnership: Judy Petersen; Attended the MHBA meeting

- Celebrate meeting will be the 1st Thursday in April.
- HCDC will be starting to go around to businesses and see where help is needed.
- Arlington will be creating a "Field of Memories" to serve as a special area of tribute and to show appreciation for the men and women who have defended our nation. This will begin on Memorial Day.
- "No Parking from 2a – 6a" signs will be removed

Beautification Committee: Joe Roetting;

The plant voucher sale is completed. They will still take donations if the voucher deadline was missed.

Safety/Streets: Joe Roetting;

Would like to have a meeting for Wednesday, March 23rd at 7:00pm

WeThrive: Jenni Moody;

- There was a change tool meeting that had to take place for the grant we received there was 15-20 people that attended. T-shirts are in.
- Health Fair will be Saturday, April 16th at the Mt. Healthy Park. This event is sponsored by WeThrive and the Police Department.
- This Friday March 18th from 6-8pm there will be a relationship mapping meeting. This is where we make sure we have members of the community that are helping meet our goals and make sure we have sustainability and health promotion.
- May 19th WeThrive will be the sponsors for the community dinner at Trinity church. We will talk at the dinner about WeThrive.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

WeThrive walked the neighborhood asking for permission to mark on sidewalks for the walking trail routes. This helped us reach out to groups that didn't know about WeThrive. There is a dance group that uses our community room and they found out about WeThrive and they are now attending meetings. Makes us all part of a community. The walking club will be an honor system. You can pick up a card and fill out your walked miles and turn in for a raffle at the end of each month.

Redline's liquor permit was rejected. There can still be an appeal. There was a lot of support from City's business district and residents.

Aaron Keller has been a pool employee and has helped with bingo and campouts. He will be earning his Eagle Scout this weekend. Thought it would be good to give him a shout out since he was a city employee.

Lou Meinking passed away last week. He was well known around Mt. Healthy. He announced the ball games, kept scores for games. He was a long time volunteer at the High School. Huge loss for the schools. He has asked all contributions to be made to Mt. Healthy High School. He will be missed around the school.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher

Park bids for the installation of canopy were not accepted. Hopefully we will go out for bids this week and have something back soon.

There was a typo on the Police Department report. Drug Offenses did not jump to 71 for February 2016. It was only 7.

The monitors we use for Assumption Festival last year were placed outside the festival grounds. They were in the parks and around the surrounding areas. We will spend money to make sure the surrounding areas are safe.

Boy Scouts Troop 27 would like to clear out a large portion of the honeysuckle overgrown in the Forest Avenue Wetlands Park and create a space for overnight primitive camping to earn merit badges. They would like to use the park monthly for camping opportunities. They would like to install a fire pit, which Chief Lawson said was okay as long it is no more than 3 feet in diameter and they could only burn clean seasoned wood.

We may need to have them get permits for camping and fires. We don't want just anybody going back there. Signage would need to be put up.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 16-1777 A second reading of ordinance authorizing the City Manager to Establish Terms and Conditions for the Safe Presentation of the Church of Assumption Festival. Discussion – Section 4 would like clarity that monitors are volunteers and that the city is not financially contributing to the festival. Same section, “amount” should clarify quantity of monitors, not compensation. Section 3 curfew ages may be transposed; get clarity. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Moody and seconded by Ms. Petersen. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 16-1780: A first reading of ordinance assessing the costs of the removal of trash and debris and declaring an emergency.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Moody visited a restored theatre and it was very nice. The Renaissance Project will be visiting restored theatres the last week of March.

Mr. Kocher went inside the Main Theatre and it is just a shell, there is no electric. We can't offer just anybody to go in and look because of safety. The project is not looking to do just a ~~move~~ ^{move} theatre they are looking at getting it back to life to benefit the community.

RITA was in town at the community center to help folks with their city tax filings. They had ~~X~~ 41 people.

Regarding 1514 Compton the owner wants the back garage to be turned into storage, which doesn't meet any of our codes. Mr. Kocher is turning everything over to our law director to review and he will send notification that the building is to be torn down.

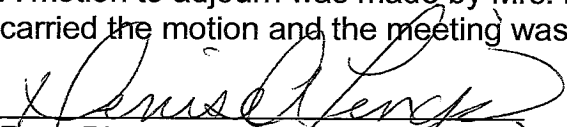
NEW BUSINESS:

February month end reports and bank reconciliation were in your council packets.

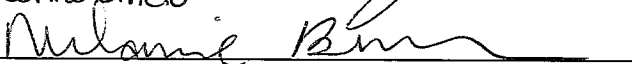
Mr. Kocher will get with PIRHL regarding the tax abatement and get them in touch with our law director to see what needs to happen from here.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Denise Lingo, President of Council PRO-TEMPORAE



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council