

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 5, 2016**

The council meeting was called to order by Pro-Tempore Denise Lingo at 7:00 p.m and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

***Absent and Excused:*** Mrs. Moody

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor James Wolf, Finance Director Jill Claire, Police Chief Vince Demasi

**MINUTES:**

A motion to adopt the minutes with corrections made of the March 15, 2016 meeting was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mt. Healthy Garden Club will continue to plant and maintain the Mt. Healthy Veterans' Memorial. They will no longer be able to plant and maintain the Perry Street lot and Flag Memorial near the Toll House.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

None.

**GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:**

Four part-time officers were sworn in tonight by Mayor James Wolf.

We welcome:

1. Officer Tyeisha Dunnom
2. Officer Tyler Fannin
3. Officer Anthony Gilbert
4. Officer Larry Jaycox

Congratulations and welcome to Mt. Healthy!!

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None.

**MAYOR’S REPORT: *James Wolf***

Met with North College Hill to discuss cost saving measures. We looked at ways to save some money between the two Cities in the Fire Department. Not looking to do a department merge which was discussed at one time, but there is equipment such as a squad that could be shared and this would save money and be able to boost the department. Both cities will look into this and get back together to determine if this is the route to go.

The Main Theatre Group toured a few restored theatres around the area.

Sharonville Cultural Arts Center – restored as a multi-purpose facility. Arts and Theatre are the main features. Runs by a non-profit.

Marianne Theatre in Bellevue, KY is in the process of being renovated. There was talk of it turning into a Brewery. They are also looking at different ideas.

Parkland Theatre in Saylor Park has been renovated back into a movie theatre.

It was great to see what other Cities have done with these theatres. We are still in the gathering of ideas phase of our theatre. There will be updates along the way.

Josh Hilling, the Glendale Police Officer involved in the shooting on I-75 last week grew up in Mt. Healthy. The Police video was released and Officer Hilling showed great restraint and professionalism.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT: *Bill Kocher***

None. Absent.

**ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance 16-1780:** A second reading of ordinance assessing the costs of the removal of trash and debris and declaring an emergency. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Street construction is scheduled to start on Perry Street. The construction will cause significant damage to the root zone of the streets trees. Consulted with an ISA certified municipal arborist, the city has determined the best course is to remove all of the trees. When construction has been completed, the Tree Commission has made plans to replant Perry with suitable street trees. In fall 2016 they will plant Redbud on the East side. Fall of 2017, Zelkova will be planted on the West side of the street. You will need to notify the Tree Commission if you do not want a tree planted in front of your house.

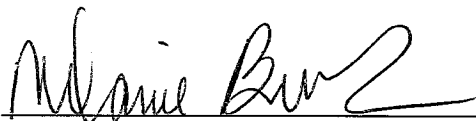
Our Law Director will be meeting with PIRHL's legal team on Friday to discuss the process we need to take regarding the tax abatement for Compton Groves. We should have updates at the next council meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council

## Council Work Session

April 5, 2016

Meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. to discuss police records/evidence room and request for part time personnel.

Property Room: Chief Demasi reported major work has been done while business continues to be conducted.

- DNA Kits: Analysis help track down offenders.
- Lost and Found: Not permissible; everything has to be recorded.
- Drugs: Backlog properly disposed of.

No dedicated staff to maintain property room going forward. The state is rolling out more unfunded mandates about management of property rooms. Emerging technology (i.e. shell casing analysis) and property clerks typically serve in this capacity.

Property room computer system with scanner would be next improvement (after dedicated staff).

Per Chief Demasi, warrant entry should be done by police clerk who has proficiency with the system to reduce errors. Police officer RCIC knowledge is limited; however, they can cancel warrants easily.

Temporary lockers would be used until dedicated person came on shift to properly record receipt of property into the system.

Steve Kramer cleaning up old warrants and property cases.

Current police clerk still has a full plate even with the addition of the mayor's court clerk. Public records requests on the rise; increasing with body cameras.

Chief Demasi is requesting a part time employee (not contractor) for 15-20 hours per week at approximately \$20 per hour. Would prefer this would be in addition to the current staff (not pulling a part time officer) to keep officers, supervisors, and detectives on the street.

Governor's commission to be watched for new un-funded mandates that are being required. Makes it difficult for small communities to self-police (pressure for regionalized departments).

Council will look to find funds to make this happen without taking from other departments (increased revenue vs. expense reduction). Pursuing grants but hard to get funds for small agencies.

Work session adjourned at 8:10 p.m.