

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**May 3, 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. Moody, Mr. Parsons, Ms. Petersen, Mr. Roetting, Mrs. Dosa

***Absent and Excused:*** Mrs. Lingo, Mrs. George

Mrs. Moody made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Dosa to excuse the absent members. All in favor *motion carried.*

*Mrs. George arrived at 7:10pm*

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

**MINUTES:**

A motion to adopt the minutes with corrections made of the April 19, 2016 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Petersen. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

A motion to adopt the minutes of the April 27, 2016 meeting was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

A motion to adopt the minutes of the May 2 2016 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Roetting. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

None.

**GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:**

None.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf**

Main Theatre group is still meeting and moving on to the next process. They are going to start meeting with engineers and architects to see what is possible for the theatre. Mt. Healthy Alliance Food Pantry – have breakfast, lunch or dinner at the Bob Evans Restaurants on 9970 Colerain Avenue (south of I-275) or 5245 North Bend Rd. (near I-74) or 8270 Winton Road (near Ronald Reagan/Cross County), or use their carryout services. These Bob Evans locations will donate 15% of your bill to the Food Pantry. The dates are Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup> through Friday May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> is Clean up Mt. Healthy, Sponsored by MHCBC, (Mt. Healthy Community Beautification Committee) Meet at the Community Room, City Park 9:00 a.m.

WeThrive requirements for the Interact with Health Grant that we have 5 people representing the city for a 4 hour training session. We had an extra person at the last meeting and that will get a bonus of around \$100. It's a great networking meeting. WeThrive will be hosting the dinner at Trinity Lutheran Church on May 19<sup>th</sup>. They will talk to the folks about what WeThrive has to offer.

Memorial Day parade will meet at 2:00pm at the Dairy Bar on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. Council and WeThrive will be in the parade this year.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher**

The goal for opening the pool will be Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>. It's becoming a challenge to get lifeguards this year. We have 5 guards hired so far. Hopefully we will be able to open Memorial weekend this year.

Conversation with the Port regarding properties on 2044 Adams Road that were demolished. There is a large lien on the property and the school has shown some interest in purchasing this property. We are trying to brain storm to see what we could do with these liens. 7365 Maple has also been mentioned because we have been caring for this property for years. There has been grass cutting assessments on the property. The Port does have to go through the foreclosure process with these properties. We are looking at maybe getting ownership of these properties

FT Police Officer Cody Meyer put in his two weeks. We are going to set a civil service test for later this month for the open position.

Park canopy installation bid came back slightly under budget. The project was awarded to John P. Tumlin & Sons. They have done work for the city in the past. The bad news is that it won't be ready for this summer's events. They won't get started until the end of summer.

Bids are back for the street sealing. The streets for sealing will be Clovernook (Compton to Adams), Bernard (Clovernook to Compton), Forest (7354 Forest to Compton), Kinney (Harrison to Hickman).

May 13<sup>th</sup> school kids will be visiting city hall. They will tour the City building. We will be feeding the older kids lunch.

PIRHL closed on Compton Groves. They will take ownership on May 25<sup>th</sup>. There is a second financial closing in September. They have hired <sup>TINO</sup> Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies for overnight duty. Chief Demasi offered them to be at Mt. Healthy's Police Department 11:00pm roll call.

## **ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance 16-1779:** A first reading of an Ordinance creating the unclassified part time position of Property/Evidence management officer and setting compensation.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution 16-1088:** A resolution to repeal City of Mt. Healthy, Ohio resolution 16-1086 and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Parson. An aye vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mrs. George. An aye vote carried the motion 6-0.

**Resolution 16-1089:** A resolution declaring it necessary to levy tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Moody. An aye vote carried the motion 6-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Parsons made a motion to hold summer session for June, July, and August on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each of the 3 months. Mrs. George seconded the motion. An aye vote carried the motion.

Friday May 6<sup>th</sup>: Arbor Day Celebration, Tree dedication, Matt Stenger from Taking Root Cincinnati will be the featured guest. Adams Rd entrance/driveway of South Elementary School, 9:30 am

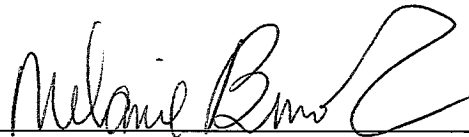
The City has been with RITA for tax collection for 3 years now. We are looking at some additional services they offer. We have 1600 delinquent or non filers right now. The subpoena program is \$8 per subpoena sent out. They first send a letter to all folks who are delinquent/non filers and if they get no response from these letters then a subpoena would be sent out. RITA will staff a court date here at City Hall. Council will need to make a motion to approve moving forward with this program. We need to make a decision to enter into this program by June, so we have the next council meeting to decide.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



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Ross Bittner, President of Council



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Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council

## Council Work Session

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Meeting opened at 8:04 p.m. to discuss vacant foreclosed property registration program and the intersection of St. Clair Ave. and Hamilton Ave.

Dan Temming recapped foreclosure history and challenges. Pilot project started in 2009 in City of Cincinnati to notify lender of foreclosed AND vacant property registration and maintenance requirements. Pilot program successful in using fees to pay for staff to ensure properties maintained.

Mt. Healthy legislation needs tweaked to be successful and keep property maintenance code enforced. Need to rescind/repeal the old legislation.

Dan will advise Bill Knight on necessity of warrant on as needed basis. We are focused on foreclosed properties. If a bank purchases at sheriff auction, then property maintenance rules apply to them as the new owner (no longer a lender). Annual registration program fees and fines to be kept in a separate account. Can access fees and fines for staff and maintenance costs as needed. Assess property for maintenance costs.

Bill will work with Dan to prepare new legislation and rescind old one. Question asked about grandfathered status - don't call out specifically, deal with on an individual basis as needed. This registration program applies to commercial and residential vacant foreclosed properties.

Speedway bus stop and traffic light issue: Discussed limiting left turns in morning and night out of St. Clair. Parking restrictions still being considered. Wait until Speedway construction completed to decide? Hold a public hearing first? Decided to hold off on traffic light for now. Request metro move the stop north one block. Bill to ask if them if a resolution is needed to get stop moved.

Bill Kocher reported Walker Funeral Home may be requesting a zone change.

Work session adjourned at 8:50 p.m.