

# MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

## AUGUST 16, 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, Mrs. Moody, Mr. Parsons, Ms. Petersen, Mrs. Dosa

***Absent and Excused:*** Mrs. George, Mr. Roetting

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

### **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

### **MINUTES:**

A motion to adopt the minutes with changes made of the July 19, 2016 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

### **GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:**

Chief Demasi and Mayor Wolf are swearing in 2 new police officers.

**Officer Onam Williams** has been promoted to Full-Time. He has been with Mt. Healthy since December 2012 starting as part-time. Congratulations!

**Officer Stephen Crank** has been hired on as a part-time officer. He also took the full-time examination and is currently number one on the full time eligibility list. Congratulations!

### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

**Kim Cremeans, Mt. Healthy Business Association** is looking for volunteers for Celebrate Mt. Healthy on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Need to fill 2 hour time slots. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Business Partnership/Alliance: Judy Petersen:** Attended the Mt. Healthy Business Association meeting.

- Reviewed Celebrate – still looking for volunteers to help with Celebrate
- Mt. Healthy Alliance Food Pantry fed 462 families in August
- 821 pounds of canned goods were collected at the Finneytown Kroger
- They will be doing the matching funds at the Stonecreek Meijer on Colerain again this year. It was a huge success in the past.

### **Beautification Committee:**

Had a meeting with Connie Graham. They are going to be looking for permanent pots to place around the City, so they won't have to take them back and forth and can be used during the winter months too.

### **Finance: Bob Parsons:**

Finance meeting is set for Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

### **Parks: Denise Lingo:**

Ohio Military Band had a good turnout.

Appalachian Grass always brings a good crowd following.

Ray Rissel has done a fantastic job with organizing the bands this summer. A big "Thanks" to Ray.

### **Safety/Streets: Joe Roetting:**

Had a meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup> regarding updating the parking ordinance. Council should be receiving the outcome of the meeting soon.

### **School/Library: Kisha Dosa:**

School is back in session for the 2016-2017 year.

Library will be having a book sale August 18-21

### **WeThrive!:**

The walking club would like to see more participants

Talked about PokemanGo or Geocache for the Bicentennial. A Way to stay active.

Senior gardening is happening at Mt Healthy Christian Village

Community Garden – there are still plots at the end of Forest Avenue

Safe Routes to School grant was awarded

Quarterly meeting in October. Must have 3 people attend these meetings in order to keep our grants. Great networking opportunity.

Soccer will have their first game August 27<sup>th</sup>. There will still be games in North College Hill. We were not able to host all the games in our park. WeThrive! is eventually looking at ways to run the concession stand during games as a way to earn money which the Interact For Health will match every dollar we earn with \$2. There are 5 total soccer teams. This was a huge success.

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

**Urban Tree Commission Report:** In July Karen Arnett and Sandy Young attended the Tree Commission Academy for continuing education.

- Public Works assisted in re-mulching trees planted around the City
- Tree planting on Perry was planned for this fall, but will be put off until the road project is completed. They will be planting 6-10 trees other locations around the City.
- There have been 60 plus trees planted over the last five years. Only 1 has died.
- Short 2 people on the Tree Commission. If there is anybody who would like to volunteer please contact Karen Arnett.

Mt. Healthy Historical Society is holding dine to donate at Perkins. You can go on their website to get the coupon

Main Theatre update; Professor Jeff Tillman from UC will be bringing his Preservation/Architect class in on Thursday afternoon.

Tikkun Farms was able to get an Ameri-Corp volunteer to become a full time farmer and will be living on the farm.

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

CMHA has a target date for the Carey Crossing grand opening for late September. Looking to do this on a Friday due to the Compton Road being closed Monday-Thursday.

Mt. Healthy Renaissance Project is putting together a flyer. The City would like to team up and put the city logo on the flyer and help with the printing. Maybe put more of the summer events on there. Can use as a way to get the events out to the public.

The Fire Department was awarded a \$32,544 FEMA grant for 1 heart monitor and 2 fibulators which will be able to transmit the information on the heart directly to the hospital.

There was a BZA public meeting on 7272 Hamilton Avenue with Mr. Walker. He has applied for a use variance. Only had 2 people on the board so there were not enough people for an official meeting. Mr. Walker has now submitted an application for a zone change. This will go before the planning commission. This meeting will take place in the next 30 days. He wants to be able to sell his funeral services at that location, which the zoning would need to be changed to retail in order for that to happen. Before anything is finalized council will have the final approval.

There was word that Healthcare Connection was awarded funds, but not enough to complete the project on Compton Road. Their budget is 5million for the entire project.

Redline has appealed the liquor permit denial and there will be a hearing in Columbus. Some of the folks that attended the last hearing have been subpoenaed to the hearing.

Pool has closed for the season. We were able to get a few kids lifeguard certified before closing which will allow them to come back as lifeguards next year.

Metro will be removing stops at Hamilton and St. Clair. They also said they would remove the stop at Hamilton and Lake Knoll. This stop was not asked for, so we will inform them to keep the stop, which is going south on Hamilton.

There will be an executive session tonight before adjournment.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR: Jill Claire**

July month end reports and reconciliation are in your packet.

There are 2 Ohio Ethics Law classes that council is able to take. The information was in your packet.

**ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance 16-1787:** A second reading of ordinance authorizing an agreement between the City of Mt. Healthy and the Board of Hamilton County Commissioners relative to the improvement to Compton Road. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 5-0.

**Ordinance 16-1788:** A second reading of ordinance reappointing members of the Springfield Township Joint Economic Development Zone I Board of Directors and declaring an emergency. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. Moody. A roll call vote carried the motion 5-0.

**Ordinance 16-1790:** A second reading of ordinance assessing costs of the removal of high grass and weeds and declaring an emergency. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Moody and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 5-0.

**Ordinance 16-1793:** A first reading of ordinance assessing costs of the removal of high grass and weeds and declaring an emergency.

**Ordinance 16-1794:** A first reading of ordinance to transfer funds from the general fund to other funds covering budgeted expenditures.

**Ordinance 16-1795:** A first reading of ordinance amending the 2016 appropriations and declaring an emergency.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution 16-1093:** A first reading of resolution supporting establishment of a fund for purchasing technology and the method of collection of such fund to support the operation of the Mayor's Court.

**Resolution 16-1094:** A first reading of resolution supporting establishment of a fund for purchasing technology and the method of collection of such fund to support the operation of the Mayor's Court Office.

**Resolution 16-1095:** A first reading of resolution authorizing the City Manager to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or local transportation improvement programs and to execute contracts as required.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Audit letter of understanding legislation was tabled at the last meeting. We are negotiating with the state on the cost of our 2015 audit.

The Liquor Control Commission will be holding the appeal hearing for Redline on September 6, 2016 at 10:30am in Columbus, Ohio. Brian Goodyear represented the City at the last hearing. We are going to see if he can do it again.

Owner of Redline has until August 31<sup>st</sup> to come up with a written plan for the completion of the garage in the back of his building. The City has not heard anything from him since the public hearing.

1514 Compton has finally been demolished.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

*A motion was called for an Executive session in accordance with ORC section 121.22(G) (3) (4) conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 5-0.*

*Council moved into an Executive Session at 8:25pm*

*Council returned at 8:50pm*