

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 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

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor James Wolf, City Manager Bill Kocher

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the September 6, 2016 meeting was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

A motion to adopt the work session minutes was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Petersen. An aye vote carried the motion

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Tony Kohl

Former Mt. Healthy resident. A member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. 46,000 members. They would like to make Mt. Healthy a Purple Heart City. There are not a lot of them. Mt. Healthy is a veteran honored city. There is a monument and celebration that would come with this. This is at no cost to the city. There is a monument to see on Colerain Avenue in front of Cheddars. Mt. Healthy is very deserving of this monument.

We will have the Veteran's committee get in contact with Mr. Kohl

Marty Daniels

Just moved to Mt. Healthy 5 months ago. Before moving here he was warned to not move to this area because it is not a good area. Moved from Nashville. Have been very impressed with the area. Have great neighbors, welcomed them on the 1st day of moving in. Believes city is on the upswing. Would like to tell the positives of this neighborhood. Would like to create a local digital media mentor. A cheering group putting out the good that goes on in the city. Wants folks to take pride in the city.

Karen Mandell

Regarding 7272 Hamilton, Walker Chapel has submitted an application for a zone change from residential to E-1retail. This happened back in 2012 and residents fought this and did a referendum to stop this keeping it residential. This is in the gateway to the city. The citizens got it right in 2012 to keep it residential. Would like to ask to take time to look at this and look at the comprehensive plan. Hope to not only rely on the recommendations of the planning commission.

Karen Arnett

Regarding 7272 Hamilton rezoning. Has concerns because of going through so much 5 years ago. Has done research. The idea of a gateway is very important, what people see when they drive into our city. Spoke with an urban planning. There are a lot of communities that have adopted legislation as a gateway district. This allows that people to see the best of the city. A conditional use at that property is ruled out. There are other options that can be done with this property. Our zoning code does allow for a 6 month process. Take time to get other input.

Would like to make a request to get a garbage can at the corner where Walker Chapel is located.

Jason Melson

Regarding 7272 Hamilton rezoning. Has lived on St. Clair for 8 years. Traffic is a huge issue on this street. Would like to see a fire line designated on our street. Parking goes all the way down both sides of street, on the side streets and makes maneuvering out of driveways and getting by becomes a nightmare. It is unsafe.

Brought a petition with signatures to get a fire lane installed. This will go to the Street and Levy committee.

Tom Hoffman

St. Clair Avenue needs a fire lane. What is the criteria to have a fire lane? When there is a funeral the residents of St. Clair are in danger if there is a fire or a medical need.

The city is working on this. This will go to our safety and streets committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Business Partnership/Alliance: Judy Petersen; Attended Mt. Healthy Business Association

- Marty Daniels gave a presentation
- Celebrate was cancelled
- Planning Commission meeting September 26th at 4:30pm to discuss 7272 Hamilton zone change
- Hilltop Glass will be opening a shop next door. Hilltop Glass Creations. There will be an open house towards end of October.
- Arlington Cemetery will be starting construction on their funeral home and crematory.
- MHBA for Bicentennial they will be selling blankets and wooden ornaments.
- Mt. Healthy Alliance served 495 families in September. Stonecreek Meijer is about to end their donation opportunity.
- St. Vincent DePaul will have donation trucks on Saturday October 8th 3pm-5pm and Sunday October 9th 8am-12pm.

Finance: Bob Parsons; There was a meeting last night. Reviewed budget through August. Projecting to end the year not as good as expected. Still doing okay.

School/Library: Kisha Dosa; Joined up with the school's strategic planning committee helping to bring additional resources to parents and students.

WeThrive!; Meeting is tomorrow September 21st at 6:00pm here in council chambers.

- Walking club is still going on. This will be ending soon.
- Awarded the Safe Routes to school grant.
- Looking to partner with NCH on some of the WeThrive items. This is just being discussed at this time.
- Quarterly meetings must have 3 people attend in order to keep our grants. These are long meetings, but great for networking. Lunch/Dinner is included. Anybody who could attend would be great.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

At the next meeting with WeThrive they will be looking at the smoking/vaping ordinance that was discussed at the previous couple of meetings. They will work it to fit our City.

There is a need of volunteers for the concession stand at soccer games. We are using the money made from the concession stand and reporting it to WeThrive and they will give us \$2 for every \$1 we raise.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher

Perry and Compton road projects are moving along.

Celebrate Mt. Healthy was cancelled. It was a hard call and folks asked why not have a rain date, but it is just too hard to book everything for two dates.

We will have a work session after the October 4th council meeting regarding the Final TAP report.

There will be a pre-construction meeting for the band stand this Thursday. The canopy construction will be starting soon.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Jill Claire

August month end reports in packets – note the recent housekeeping and transfer entries will be reflected in the September month end report.

2015 Audit is almost complete – Auditor of State finalizing.

Preparing to go out to bid for next audit (Auditor of State facilitates this process).

Annual Resolution to Certify Tax Levies is due to County by 10/17. Prepared resolution for tonight to get in two readings; first reading tonight and second reading 10/4.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 16-1796: A first reading of ordinance assessing costs of demolition and removal of unsafe structures and declaring an emergency.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 16-1096: A first reading of resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor and declaring an emergency.

OLD BUSINESS:

October 13th Chief Demasi will be cooking his ravioli's for the community dinner at Trinity Lutheran Church. 5:30pm

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

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 8:10pm.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council