

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 19 2017**

The council meeting was called to order by Pro-Tempore Denise Lingo at 7:00p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent and Excused: Mrs. George

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor James Wolf, City Manager Bill Kocher, Finance Director Scott Bauer,

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes as printed of the September 5, 2017 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 of the September 5, 2017 was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

Theresa Bracher from Council on Aging is here tonight. There will be a Hamilton County Senior Services Tax Levy on the ballot this year. Without the passing of this levy these elderly services will end

- It helps seniors remain independent at home
- This levy provides 92% of the funding for Hamilton County Elderly Services Program
- We may all need these services someday
- For more information visit www.helpyourelderly.org

Kathleen Norris, John Yung, and Lauren Bihl from Urban Fast Forward. They are now onboard with the City and will begin work right away. It will be the kickoff for the Mt. Healthy retail corridor plan. Over the next 30 days they will begin data gathering and having stakeholder meetings. Rounding up a steering committee. Look at existing conditions of buildings and come up with a preliminary strategy. Starting tonight Lauren Bihl would like everybody to write down 5 words when you think of Mt. Healthy.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Karen Arnett along with the Renaissance Group is here to present a framed picture of The Doors of Mt. Healthy.

Beth Sheehan is here regarding a "Tethering Ordinance" that she would like to see Mt. Healthy put in place. There is not a federal law against tethering, so it is up to each jurisdiction to pass a tethering ordinance. There are 30 jurisdictions across Ohio that have passed tethering laws. We can educate and cite. The City would not become the dog warden. Tethering ordinances are good for our animals and good for our communities. Endless tethering is not just inhumane, but it is also a public safety, urban blight, and quality of life issue.

Mt. Healthy Bicentennial: Day of Living History, Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017, Noon to 4 p.m:

After gathering at the Free Meeting House/Museum (1546 McMakin) visitors will have the opportunity to meet the first costumed actors and other informative historians on the museum grounds. Each group will be escorted to the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery (two blocks away) where 11 stations of costumed actors will share stories of notable settlers, abolitionists, educators and artists, both African-American and white, spanning the two centuries of Mt. Healthy's history.

Tours begin at 1 p.m. in front of the Free Meeting House/Museum, (museum and grounds open at Noon). Tours will run at intervals, with the last tour starting at 3:15 p.m. The tour will take about 45 minutes. There will be music, special displays and museum tours as well.

In addition, the local microbrewery, Fibonacci, located at 1445 Compton Rd, Mt. Healthy, has partnered with the Mt. Healthy Bicentennial and is brewing a special wheat beer in honor of Jediah Hill and the Pride of the Valley flour produced at the mill built by Hill in 1820. The official beer launch will be a keg tapping on Wednesday,

Oct. 4 at the Fibonacci Brewery, and the beer will be on tap at the brewery during the Day of Living History event. (Jediah Hill is one of the residents who will be portrayed.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Business Partnership/Alliance - Judy Petersen:

Attended the Mt. Healthy Business Association meeting.

- “Thanks” to all the Celebrate Mt. Healthy volunteers. The event was a success.
- There is still time to put items in the Time Capsule
- Mt. Healthy Living History is October 7th, 1-4pm
- Mary Layman from Tikkun Farms discussed the success of the summer camp

Mt. Healthy Alliance served 428 families in August

Beautification - Jennifer Moody:

Plants are fading fast. Time to start picking some of the pots with dead plants up and putting them away.

Finance: Bob Parsons:

Reviewed August reports. Expenses are in line with the budget. Concern with the Police salaries with overtime. We will be meeting with the County to discuss property taxes. We are not receiving what was projected, so we are going to try and get an understanding of what is going on.

Safety/Streets: Joe Roetting:

The Police Department is in the process of scheduling interviews to hire a Full Time Police Officer.

Street priorities will be discussed at the work session after the October 3rd council meeting

School/Library - Kisha Dosa

Mt. Healthy Library will be bringing in a new position of a Homework Help Aid. This will be a Mt. Healthy High School student. They will be there to help with homework after school from 3-6pm.

Mt. Healthy Schools will have their Strategic Planning meeting on September 28th at 5pm. This meeting will be a meeting for education destination.

Mt. Healthy is out of classroom space. Enrollment increased this year.

Superintendent Dr. Reva Cosby's contract is up at the end of this year.

WeThrive! Jenny Moody:

There will be a meeting tomorrow at 5:00pm

Had a booth at Celebrate Mt. Healthy.

Soccer is going good. "Thanks" to Gregg Cutter and the Public Work team for keeping the fields well maintained.

Urban Tree – Denise Lingo:

The Urban Tree Commission is one of six recipients of Taking Roots fall 2017 mini-grant. They were awarded \$880 grant provides a 50-50 match with the City. We will be buying 22 Zelkova trees to be planted on the West side of Perry Street. The planting will take place October 14th. Volunteers are needed.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

Haunted Hall will open next week. Cost to get in is \$10, \$2 off if you bring a canned good. This is the longest running haunted house. It began in 1990.

WDISF will be hosting pot luck dinners and Halloween movie nights at the Community Center on Friday nights at 5:00pm. Check the website because there is a theme to each dinner. This will run through October.

There will be a Halloween costume swap on October 14th at the Community Center from 10a-3p.

Halloween Fest will be October 28th at the Community Center from 2p-4p

Fibonacci Brewery will be brewing a Pawpaw beer. There will be a keg tap on October 4th at 5:30pm. It will be named "Pride of the Valley"

Three Dog Kouzina has opened. The food is great. They are opened Tuesday-Thursday 11a-7p, Fri-Sat 11a-8p

"Thanks" to Kim Cremeans and the committee for the excellent job they did putting together Celebrate Mt. Healthy.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT: *Bill Kocher*

Mimi Anderson will be leaving the City in October. We will be looking to start the interview process soon. We need to get back to the core of this position, which is coverage for Ray. It got out of hand with the Wethrive! things that had Mimi keeping busy.

There will be a public hearing on October 17th regarding 7825 Harrison. This has been a problem house because the owners are deceased and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services had a lien on the property. It has been declared condemned. We have the funds for demolition. Council will have legislation to hear at the October 17th council meeting.

United Dairy Farmers is ready to move forward with their new building. They will stay open during construction.

2 PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- Conditional Use Permit request and recommendations of the Planning Commission for a Health Care Facility in the Core Business District (CBD) 7613 Hamilton Ave. – Kelli Prather- Sec. 155.078 (B3,5) Prohibited Uses; Sec. 155.005(I), (General Provisions, Similar Use.) Only the Applicants must be represented at this hearing.
- Regarding modifications to the City of Mt. Healthy Zoning Code and recommendations of the Planning Commission.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: *Scott Bauer*

August month end reports and bank reconciliation were distributed in your packets.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 17-1824 A second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 77, Schedule I (A) (B) of the Mt Healthy Code regarding traffic and parking. A motion to adopt was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call voted carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 17-1826 An ordinance amending Chapter 115.02 of The Mt. Healthy Code of Ordinances regarding license requirements for itinerant merchants by replacing section (D). A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Ms. Petersen. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 17-1827 An ordinance assessing costs of the removal of high grass and weeds and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

October 15th Bicentennial will be hosting a Golf Outing at Fairfield Golf Course. Lunch will be served at noon and tee off at 1:15. Cost will be \$70 per person. This will be limited to 22 teams of 4. All proceeds will benefit the Mt. Healthy Bicentennial Events. Forms are on the Mt. Healthy website and downstairs in the Administration Office.

Council would like to "Thank" Ray and Mimi for the Summer Events Schedule. They did a great job. The concerts were great. The turnout was getting bigger with each concert.

Ms. Petersen will not be attending the October 3rd council meeting.

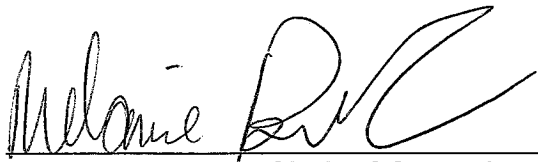
Mrs. Moody made a motion to approve the appointment of Casey McCain to the Tree Commission recommended by Mayor Wolf, Mr. Roetting seconds the motion. An aye vote carried the motion.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.



President of Council Ross Bittner



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council