

## Minutes of City Council Meeting Cheviot, Ohio

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January 18, 2011

The regular session of Council was called to order at 7:31P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

Mayor	Samuel D. Keller
President of Council	Deborah M. McKinney
Law Director	Mark Waters
Safety-Service Director	Tom Braun
Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Ward	Ryan Zech
Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	Matthew McGowan
Council 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	James Sunderhaus
Council 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Bill Clark
Council at Large	Kathleen Zech
Council at Large	Steve Braun

President McKinney stated that Mr. Dinkelacker was absent due to a prior work commitment. A motion to excuse Mr. Dinkelacker was made by Mr. McGowan, seconded by Mr. Braun. The motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote. A motion to approve and file the minutes for January 4, 2011 was made by Ms. Zech, seconded by Mr. McGowan. The motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

### **Public Recognition on Agenda Items**

No one from the Public chose to address Council on any agenda items.

### **Reports of Standing Committees**

Mr. Braun read a report of the Building and Annexation Committee meeting held December 28, 2010. Mr. Braun made a motion to receive and file, seconded by Mr. McGowan. The motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

Clerk McKinney read a report of the Public Works and Utilities Committee meeting held January 4, 2011. Mr. McGowan made a motion to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Zech. The motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

Mr. Sunderhaus arrived.

### **Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions**

No legislation to be considered

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Keller stated that the City and Ms. Statkus have been working hard to attract new businesses to the City. Along with the addition of Huntington Bank and Family Dollar, the City is working with 7 other businesses to call Cheviot home. Mayor Keller sees a rebound in the economy.

The City received a rejection letter from the National Registry of Historical Places in reference to Harvest Home Park. The Registry mainly focuses on the buildings and not the area as a whole. Mr. Neal is working on a response including the focus on the Harvest Home Parade and Fair.

The City has a new Fire Captain, Scott Scherpenberg and two offers have gone out for new full-time firefighters. The two offered the new positions are 100% trained. They will begin as soon as they are finished with their final testing.

There were no questions for Mayor Keller.

**Safety-Service Director's Report**

Mr. Tom Braun stated he has begun to work on the yearly appropriations and the auditor is checking her resources. Mr. Braun confirmed with the Finance Chair, Mr. McGowan, that he is ready to begin discussions.

Mr. Braun commented briefly on the Climate Initiative/Energy Block Program. The City will be provided with a revised schedule and allocation formula within the next few weeks.

There were no questions for the Safety-Service Director.

**Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters did not have a formal report.

There were no questions for the Law Director.

**Economic Development Director's Report**

Clerk McKinney read highlights of the December 2010 report from Ms. Statkus. A copy is on file at Cheviot City Hall.

**Public Recognition on Other Issues**

No one from the Public chose to address Council on any other items.

**Other Business**

Ms. Zech called a meeting of the Laws, Rules and Ordinances Committee for Tuesday January 25, 2011 at 6:30pm to discuss the rental registrations.

Ms. Zech also reminded the public and Council of the CWCA meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at 6:00pm. The meeting will be held at the Cheviot School.

Cheviot ROCKS will meet on January 26, 2011 at 6:00pm. At 6:30pm there is a presentation and discussion on the "We Thrive" program, sponsored by the Hamilton County Public Health District.

**Correspondence**

-1 Property Maintenance Report

-Clerk McKinney passed out Ethics paperwork to elected officials

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Zech, seconded by Mr. McGowan. The motion passed with a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.

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Rachel A. McKinney  
Clerk of Council

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Deborah M. McKinney  
President of Council