

## **MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO**

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February 5, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

President of Council	Samuel D. Keller
Law Director	Mark G. Waters
Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Ward	Michael J. Murray
Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	Dennis T. Dinkelacker
Council 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	James E. Morganroth
Council 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Debra A. Gooch
Council at Large	Kathleen S. Zech
Council at Large	Charles L. Norman
Council at Large	Michael J. Mestemaker

### **Recognition of the Public**

Dave Westridge of 3706 Westwood Northern Blvd. addressed Council on his concerns of improper burial of brush, the amount of debris on the construction site and concerns about the positioning of the sidewalk that will be built on the lot owned by Rack Builders, which is adjacent to his. There was some general discussion. Mr. Keller agreed to forward this information to the Safety Service Director and Building Commissioner.

### **Safety Service Director's Report**

Mr. Keller read Mr. Neal's report into record. A grant was given to Cheviot by the Cheviot-Westwood Kiwanis in the amount of \$39,913. The grant was requested by Cheviot for the purpose of replacing the playground equipment at Harvest Home Park. The equipment is expected to be replaced by April. The Western Hills Veteran's Council donated 12 3x5 American Flags for use on Harrison Avenue. Mr. Neal expressed his thanks for the donation. The Cincinnati Water Works will be replacing the water main on Bridgetown Road in the near future. In addition the Water Works have decided to replace the water mains on the entire length of Robb Avenue, Meyerfeld and Taft Avenues. Mr. Neal has contacted CDS to find out if the Water Works wishes to replace the water main on W. St. Martins since it is due for construction this summer. Finally, he expected that council would amend the appropriations to allow for bids on bituminous materials.

### **Mayor's Report**

The Mayor submitted no report. A motion to receive and file the Mayor's Court Receipts was made by Mr. Murray with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

### **Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters updated Council on the SBA Cell Tower Case. A court date was set on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. A liquor license hearing was held on January 25<sup>th</sup> in regards to Stormy's where Chief Voss testified. The hearing officer took the testimony under advisory and no action had been taken as of the Council Meeting. The lawyer for United Dairy Farmers contacted the Law Director in regards to the property on Westwood Northern Blvd. The Law Director updated Council on the progress of the collection cases he was working on. Finally, the Mr. Waters gave the members of Council an article which described the fate of Metrocom.

### **Committee Reports**

Ward 1 - Mr. Murray asked for a Parks and Playgrounds Committee meeting on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at Cheviot City Hall. He requested the presence of Mr. Neal and the Recreation Commission. Mr.

Murray also mentioned that the first C.A.P. meeting of the year would be held at City Hall on Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. and that on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> there would be a meeting of the committee that is organizing WestFest 2002 at the Western Hills Sports Mall at 11 a.m. WestFest will be held on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2002 in Cheviot at the corner of Harrison Avenue and Glenmore Avenue.

Ward 2 - Mr. Dinkelacker reported that he received several calls about the corner of Smith and Trevor Avenues. Some had suggested that the road be converted into a one-way street, while others suggested widening the corner. Mr. Dinkelacker also updated council on the CDM Sewer modeling project.

Ward 3 - Mr. Morganroth had no report. He mentioned the Fire Department's Year End Report for 2001. He also mentioned a report that Chief Voss had prepared about the expense of the additional Police coverage at Harvest Home Park.

Ward 4 - Mrs. Gooch read the Finance Committee report into record. A motion to accept the report was made by Mr. Murray with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. Mrs. Gooch made a motion *to Amend the First Quarter, 2002, Appropriations; and to Declare an Emergency*. Mrs. Zech discovered an error pertaining to the codification amounts. A motion to amend the amount for the Law Director Contract Incidentals was made by Mr. Murray with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Mrs. Gooch made a motion to introduce the adjusted ordinance, with a second by Mr. Murray. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance number ORD02-05. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Dinkelacker; second by Mrs. Gooch. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. A motion to adopt was made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Mrs. Gooch made a motion *to Transfer Funds; and to Declare an Emergency*; second by Mr. Murray. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. The Resolution was assigned as RES02-02. Mrs. Gooch requested a Finance Meeting following the Parks and Playgrounds meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Council at Large - Mr. Mestemaker had no report. He requested that the Building Department prepare a monthly report of what is occurring in Cheviot for Council. Mr. Mestemaker made a motion *to Authorize and Direct the Safety Service Director to Advertise for Bids for the City's Purchase of Bituminous Materials; and to Declare an Emergency*; second by Mr. Norman. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Resolution Number RES02-03.

Council at Large - Mrs. Zech had no formal report. She asked that members of Council look though the ordinance codifications for errors.

Council at Large - Mr. Norman had no formal report.

### **Further Business**

A motion to receive and file the Treasurer's 2001 Annual Report was made by Mr. Mestemaker; second by Mr. Norman. Motion passed 7-0 by voice vote.

There was a motion to adjourn by Mr. Morganroth with a second from Mr. Murray. The motion carried 6-1. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Ryan T. Zech  
Clerk of Council

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Samuel D. Keller  
President of Council