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Minutes of Cheviot Ohio City Council Meeting

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Meeting was called to order by President Slaughter at 7:35. The following were found in attendance:

Mayor Samuel Keller; Council President Deborah M. Slaughter; Law Director Mark Waters; Safety Service Director Tom Braun; Council Ward 2 Rep Matt McGowan; Council Ward 3 Rep Jim Sunderhaus; Council Ward 4 Rep Bill Clark; and Council At Large Members Kathleen Zech, Jeff Baker and Amy Richter. Council Ward 1 Rep Ryan Zech's absence was excused.

Minutes from Council's April 3 meeting were approved.

Police Chief's Report: Chief Lally presented his report for time period beginning March 11 and ending April 16. In that time frame 8 subjects were arrested on felony charges, 45 misdemeanor charges had been assessed, there were 78 traffic arrests and 53 arrests were made on outstanding warrants. A full copy of the report is available from the Council Clerk.

Mayor Keller introduced Cheryl Popp, Director of Honor Flight Tristate who was present to accept a donation presented by Cheviot Fire Chief Klein and Miami Township Fire Chief Ober. The donation was from the proceeds of the golf outing.

No one from the public wished to address council on an agenda topic.

Mr. McGowan introduced a resolution To Certify The Hamilton County Auditor A Request That The Hamilton County Auditor Certify To The City Of Cheviot The Tax Levy Information Listed In Section 5705.03(B) Of The Ohio Revised Code; And To Declare An Emergency. Seconded by Mr. Sunderhaus, and adopted with a 6-0 voice vote. The resolution is 12-8. (The wording originally was originally slated to appear on the ballot at an August 7, 2012 special election. At Mr. Waters' request, the wording is now changed so that issue will appear on the ballot in the November 6, 2012 general election.)

Mr. Clark introduced a resolution To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Solicit Bids For The 2012 Street Reconstruction Project For Davis Avenue, Between Woodbine and Homelawn, And Janward Avenue; And To Declare An Emergency. Seconded by Mr. Baker, the resolution was adopted with a 6-0 voice vote. The resolution is 12-9.

Mr. Baker introduced an ordinance To Approve The Bid Of Lithko Restoration For The Restoration Of The Cheviot Fieldhouse; And To Declare An Emergency. Seconded by Mr. Sunderhaus. Mr. Sunderhaus motioned to suspend the rules. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Zech. Mr. Clark motioned to adopt the ordinance. Motioned was seconded by Mr. McGowan. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote. The Ordinance is 12-09. Clarification was given by Mr. Braun as to the scope of the project, which includes exterior repairs and interior prep work.

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Mayor's Report: Mayor Keller announced that he would not be present at the May 1 meeting of Council. Paint The Town and Community Immersion are making great progress, as is the Reds

Community Fund and the P&G Project. Mayor Keller wanted to thank those who have given so freely of their time and talents to make these projects possible.

President McKinney gave a report on Paint The Town and Community Immersion. 40 homes have been selected for painting. Community Immersion will be in Cheviot on May 5. 30-50 participants will be in town to familiarize themselves with our community and to do a service project (painting the shelter attached to the Harvest Home Lodge).

Mayor Keller thanked President Slaughter and Council Member Clark for stepping up to the plate.

Safety Service Director: Expanded on Cheviot Fieldhouse ballfield project. Fieldhouse restoration should be started next week. We Thrive implementation will begin in the next couple of weeks. JEDD meeting (Children's Hospital and Christ Hospital) upcoming.

Law Director: Mr. Waters had no report.

Public Recognition: Mr. John Sexton, 3612 Gamble Ave. spoke about concerns regarding Cheviot Game Time's bright lighting, noise level and other incidents that are impeding the quality of life of the residents in close proximity of Game Time.

Mr. Michael Robbins, of 3639 Gamble Ave. spoke in rebuttal of Mr. Sexton's comments. Mr. Robbins has made and continues to make changes to Game Time in an effort to appease Mr. Sexton.

Mrs. Pat Van Foss, of 3716 Kessen Ave wanted to inform Council of the tremendous efforts put forth by Cheviot's emergency responders.

Hamilton County Solid Waste Management requires a resolution. Deferred to Mr. Sunderhaus' committee.

There were three property maintenance reports.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McGowan, seconded by Mrs. Richter. Meeting was adjourned at 8:55PM.

Jenny M. Eilermann

Clerk of Council

Deborah M. Slaughter

President of Council