

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO

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May 2, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

Mayor	J. Michael Laumann
President of Council	Samuel D. Keller
Law Director	Mark G. Waters
Safety-Service Director	Steven O. Neal
Council 1st Ward	Michael N. Mastruserio
Council 2nd Ward	Dennis T. Dinkelacker
Council 3rd Ward	James E. Morganroth
Council 4th Ward	Boyd T. Miller
Council at Large	Kathleen Zech
Council at Large	Kathleen M. Goedl

There was a motion to excuse Mr. Mestemaker made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. The minutes of the April 18 meeting were approved.

Mr. Keller turned the floor over to Mayor Laumann for the purpose of swearing in Officer Ed Taylor followed by Officer Mark Denney, each to the position of Police Sergeant. Each took their oath and introduced family members that were present. The mayor also stated that Officer Jeff Patton was recently promoted to full-time officer and that now our police department is at full compliment.

Mr. Keller called for reports from Council.

Recognition of the Public

Police Chief David Voss complimented council and the Cheviot Maintenance Department for the work done on Westwood-Northern Boulevard.

Safety Service Director's Report

Mr. Neal read his report into the record. Mr. Neal stated that bids were opened on May 1st for a dump truck for the Maintenance Department. He stated that he received a bid from Tri-State Sterling Trucks for a Ford F-550. The net bid including a trade-in allowance was \$40,500.00, which is below the appropriated amount. There was a motion to approve the purchase of the truck made by Mr. Mastruserio with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. A resolution will be drafted by the next council meeting. Mr. Neal stated that the spring newsletter would be delivered to doorsteps this week. He thanked Officer Taylor for putting the newsletter together. Mr. Neal announced that pool passes are to go on sale beginning May 8th. Anyone purchasing a pass by May 26th will receive a 10% discount off the cost of the pass. He also thanked the Hamilton County Board of Health for providing at no cost to the city a brochure inserted into the newsletter. Mrs. Goedl asked about the situation on Wilmar Drive.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Laumann spoke on the 115th Anniversary of Cincinnatus Savings and Loan Company and declared May 1st through May 15th as Cincinnatus Savings and Loan Days in Cheviot. The mayor also requested that an ordinance be passed that provides for reimbursements for co-payment of doctor visits and prescriptions for his insurance, to coincide with all the other pay ordinances that were recently passed by council.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Waters stated that he would like to meet with council in executive session at the end of tonight's meeting regarding a possible settlement in the Kevin Broderick case. There was a motion for an executive session made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mrs. Zech and a third by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote.

Committee Reports

Ward 1 -- Mr. Mastruserio read a Public Utilities Committee report into the record. There was a motion to receive and file the report made by Mr. Mastruserio with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. There was a motion to introduce *A Resolution Accepting The Bid Of Murphy Insurance Company For 3 Years Of Insurance Coverage To The City Of Cheviot At A Rate Of \$38,825.00 Per Year; To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Enter Into A Contract; And Declaring An Emergency* made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Resolution No. RES00-11.

Ward 2 -- Mr. Dinkelacker received phone calls regarding heavy truck traffic on Westwood-Northern Boulevard in the early morning hours. There was general discussion.

Ward 3 -- Mr. Morganroth announced a meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the ward boundary changes. There will be representatives of the Hamilton County Board of Elections present at this meeting.

Ward 4 -- Mr. Miller thanked everyone who helped with the Arbor Day celebration.

Council at Large -- Mr. Mestemaker - no report.

Council at Large -- Mrs. Zech presented for its third reading Ordinance No. ORD00-10. There was a motion to adopt *An Ordinance Restricting Parking On Lawns* made by Mrs. Zech with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote. The second reading of the vicious dog ordinance (ORD-00-18) was accomplished. There was general discussion. Mrs. Zech stated that she has sent copies of all 1999 ordinances to American Legal Publishing and is waiting on a written estimate from them regarding codification. Mrs. Zech also announced JamFest to be held at the fieldhouse on May 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Council at Large -- Mrs. Goedl made a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Increase The Annual Appropriations; And To Declare An Emergency*. There was a second by Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-19. There was a motion to suspend the rules made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote. There was a motion to adopt made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Miller. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote and ORD00-19 was adopted. There was a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Establish A Salary Schedule For The Cable Coordinator; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-20. There was a motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote. There was a motion to adopt made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion carried 5-0-1 (Mrs. Zech abstaining) by roll-call vote and ORD00-20 was adopted. There was a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Enact Section 151.07 Of The Cheviot Code Of Ordinances Which Prohibits The Issuance Of A Building Permit To A General Contractor Unless The Contractor Has Filed The Appropriate Information To The Tax Commissioner; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-21. There was general discussion of some issues; after which it was decided that this would be held over until the next regular council meeting. This constituted the first reading of ORD00-21. Mrs. Goedl announced the birth of her granddaughter Julia Rose.

Further Business -- There was a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Make Expenditures Of Up To \$15,000.00 Without Competitive Bidding; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mrs. Zech with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. Section 1 was amended to include resolutions. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-22. There was a motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote. There was a motion to adopt made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 6-0 by roll-call vote and ORD00-22 was adopted. There was a motion to receive and file the Mayor's Court Receipt Report for April 2000 made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. There was a motion to receive and file the Treasurer's Report for March 2000 made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mrs. Zech. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

Correspondence – Census workers are going door-to-door to do a physical count at homes where census forms were not mailed back. As of April 4th, Cheviot had a 76% return rate on mailed back forms. Photos from the “Most Wanted” Concert are posted on the Cheviot website – www.cheviot.org.

After a brief recess, Council adjourned into executive session at 8:50 p.m.

Council re-convened at 9:04 p.m.

There was a motion to adjourn made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. Council adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Michael J. Murray
Clerk of Council

Samuel D. Keller
President of Council