

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO

Page 1 of 3

May 6, 2008

The regular session of Council was called to order at 7:32 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

Mayor	Samuel D. Keller
President of Council	Deborah M. McKinney
Law Director	Mark G. Waters
Council 1 st Ward	Ryan T. Zech
Council 2 nd Ward	James Babey
Council 3 rd Ward	James F. Sunderhaus
Council 4 th Ward	Greg J. Stautberg
Council at Large	Kathleen S. Zech
Council at Large	Steven L. Braun

Mrs. Zech made a motion to excuse Mr. Dinkelacker with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

President McKinney delineated from normal proceedings to allow Police Officer Jeff Patton to address Council. Officer Patton presented a proposal to start a K9 Unit within the Cheviot Police Department, which included a plan to fund the unit through grants, possible corporate sponsorship and private donations. A copy of Officer Patton's proposal is on file at City Hall. There was much discussion. Mayor Keller and Council thanked Officer Patton for his time and effort.

President McKinney called for the reports that would be presented. The minutes of April 15th, 2008 were approved.

Reports of Standing Committees

Mr. Sunderhaus read a report of the Police & Fire Committee into the record. Mr. Sunderhaus made a motion to receive and file the report with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote.

Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions

Mr. Stautberg made a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Amend The 2008 Annual Appropriations; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 08-10. Mr. Sunderhaus made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Sunderhaus made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Babey. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Babey made a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Authorize An Agreement Between The City Of Cheviot And The Board Of Hamilton County Commissioners For The Improvement Of Bridgetown Road; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 08-11. Mrs. Zech made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Sunderhaus made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Stautberg. The motion carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Braun made a motion *To Recognize and Thank Joe Hill, The Cheviot Savings Bank, And The Cheviot Public Works Department For Their Contributions To The Restoration Of The Property At 3939 Davis Avenue* with a second from Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 08-05. Mr. Stautberg made a motion *To Authorize The Safety-Service Director To Make Requests For Proposals For The City's Liability Insurance Coverage* with a second from Mr. Babey. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 08-06.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Keller had no formal report.

Safety-Service Director's Report

Mayor Keller read a report for Mr. Neal. Mayor Keller informed Council that Mr. Neal has received bids for the Harrison Avenue and Bridgetown Avenue Road Construction Project and has awarded the Project to Barrett Paving. Mayor Keller informed Council that the Harrison Avenue Mast Arm Signal Project is currently in the Engineering Phase and that the Engineers are saying the signal at the intersection of Harrison Avenue and Lovell Avenue is not necessary. Mayor Keller said the City is appealing this decision and that Mr. Neal will keep Council updated. Mayor Keller informed Council that 15 high grass notices have been issued in the past few days. Mayor Keller informed Council that the City will close on the property at 3939 Davis Avenue on May 9th and updated Council on the renovation of the Bruestle Avenue property. Mayor Keller informed Council that the Cheviot Municipal Swimming Pool will be open from May 31st to August 17th, adding that rates will stay the same and that brochures are available at City Hall.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Waters had no formal report.

Public Recognition on Other Issues

Nakia Fry of 3829 North Bend Road came to Council to appeal for an extension of time to pay the City for the use of the parking spaces in the Municipal Parking Lot adjacent to the Kia's Kids Day Care on North Bend Road. Ms. Fry explained that the State Certification of her business took longer than expected and as a result she lost several of her clients which caused her to fall behind on her payments to the City. Mayor Keller asked that the matter be sent to the appropriate Committee for review. President McKinney referred the matter to the Streets & Sidewalks Committee for further review. Mayor Keller recommended Ms. Fry attend the meeting to make her case and added that there will be no action regarding the issue until the Committee makes its recommendation.

Other Business

Mr. Braun called a meeting of the Building & Annexation Committee for Tuesday, May 13th at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Zech called a meeting of the Parks and Playgrounds Committee for Tuesday, May 13th at 7:45 P.M.

Mrs. Zech called a meeting of the Laws, Rules and Ordinances Committee for Tuesday, May 13th at 6:00 P.M.

Mr. Babey called a meeting of the Streets & Sidewalks Committee for Thursday, May 15th at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Keller informed Council that he will be unavailable to attend the Building & Annexation Committee meeting but will be available if the Committee needs to contact him. Mayor Keller informed Council that Monfort Supply Company has asked for a permit to build three new houses on Westwood-Northern Boulevard. There was much discussion.

Mr. Zech reminded everyone of the CWCA City Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, May 17th from 7:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M., adding that all residents are encouraged to participate.

Mayor Keller informed Council that Mr. Dinkelacker asked him to inform Council that the survey and topography for the Cemetery Project are nearly complete. Mr. Zech added that the City has received some RFP's for the Streetscape and Cemetery Project which will be reviewed over the next few weeks. Mr. Braun asked when the next Project Impact meeting will be. Mrs. Zech informed him that it will be held on Wednesday, May 28th at 6:30 P.M. in the Fire Department Training Room.

Mayor's Court and Treasurer's Receipts

Mr. Stautberg made a motion to receive and file the April 2008 Mayor's Court receipts with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

Correspondence

A list of Cheviot Magistrate Court dates, a copy of *Cities and Villages* Magazine from the Ohio Municipal League, a memo from the Fire Chief regarding new business permits in the city, one Building Department Report and nine Property Maintenance Reports were received.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Babey with a second from Mrs. Zech. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

Matthew D. McGowan
Clerk of Council

Deborah M. McKinney
President of Council