

# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO

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August 1, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Mr. Keller asked that everyone remember in their prayers Vito Roberto, a member of the Cheviot Zoning Board of Appeals, who recently passed away. 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	Michael J. Mestemaker
Council at Large	Kathleen M. Goedl

There was a motion to excuse Mrs. Zech made by Mr. Mestemaker with a second by Mr. Miller. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. The minutes of the July 11 meeting were approved. Mr. Keller called for reports from Council.

## **Recognition of the Public**

There were no one at this time.

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

Mr. Neal read his report into the record. The 2000 Street Improvement Project is complete with the exception of some punch list items. Cincinnati Waterworks will be installing a new water main on Phoenix Avenue. Phoenix resurfacing work will be completed at the end of the Washington Avenue project. Cinergy will be replacing the gas main on Washington between Homelawn and Smith at which time that section of Washington will be closed. Mr. Neal stated that the swimming pool will be open until August 27<sup>th</sup>. Income from the pool is down from last year. Mr. Neal gave an update on the installation of flashing lights over the crosswalk on North Bend Road at the entrance of Harvest Home Park. Mr. Neal stated that he attended a Kiwanis meeting this morning and it was brought up that Time Warner is not televising the Harvest Home Parade this year. Mr. Mastruserio asked about renting a grinder to flatten out the humps on Westwood-Northern Boulevard.

## **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Laumann announced some new appointments to the Cheviot Zoning Board of Appeals. There was a motion to introduce a resolution *Supporting The Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program And Authorizing The Police Department To Apply To The Attorney General's Office For The Continuing Efforts Of The Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program; And Declaring An Emergency* made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Resolution No. RES00-21. Mrs. Goedl asked council to look into the effectiveness of the DARE program.

## **Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters stated that each member of council should have the updates to the Cheviot Code of Ordinances. He asked that each member review the updates before putting them in the ordinance book. He also received a request from Chief Voss to look into the matter of the campaign signs at the Chabot headquarters. Much discussion followed. Mr. Keller will put this into committee.

## **Committee Reports**

Ward 1 -- Mr. Mastruserio had no report.

Ward 2 -- Mr. Dinkelacker announced that MSD is working on a sewer modeling project where the main trunk lines will be located throughout the county. He hopes to have more information by the next meeting.

**Committee Reports (continued)**

Ward 3 -- Mr. Morganroth stated that his wife appreciated all the cards and flowers sent to their house on the recent death of her father. He read a Police & Fire Committee report into the record. There was a motion to receive and file the committee report made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. There was a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Establish Salary, Benefits And Working Conditions For The Part-Time Fire Personnel; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Miller. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-32. This constituted the first reading of this ordinance.

Ward 4 -- Mr. Miller reported that the Historical Society will meet again on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the historic preservation of Harvest Home Park.

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

Council at Large -- Mr. Mestemaker read a Laws, Rules & Ordinances Committee report into the record for Mrs. Zech. There was a motion to receive and file the report made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mrs. Goedl. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. Mr. Mestemaker stated that Mrs. Zech would like to call a Laws, Rules & Ordinance Committee meeting for Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. There was a motion to introduce an ordinance *To Amend Section 36.13.C of the Cheviot Code Of Ordinances; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mr. Mestemaker with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Ordinance No. ORD00-33. This constituted the first reading of this ordinance.

Council at Large -- Mrs. Goedl made a motion to introduce a resolution *To Transfer Funds Within The City's 2000 Operating Budget; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. This was assigned Resolution No. RES00-22. There was a motion to introduce a resolution *To Transfer Funds; 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 Resolution No. RES00-23. Mrs. Goedl will call a meeting regarding an Outstanding Citizen Award program. Mrs. Goedl complimented how nice the Harvest Home Lodge looks now with the new ceiling.

Further Business -- There was a letter received from the Tax Commissioner that will be distributed to all members. There was a motion to receive and file the Treasurer's Report for June 2000 made by Mr. Mestemaker with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

Correspondence -- An update was received from the Ohio Coalition for Equitable Annexation regarding State Bill 289. The signed copy of ORD00-24 was received back from Hamilton County. The Cheviot Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. regarding property at Phoenix and North Bend owned by Tom Webb. There was discussion regarding the ballot issues that were delivered to the Hamilton County Board of Elections.

There was a motion to adjourn made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. Council adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Michael J. Murray  
Clerk of Council

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Samuel D. Keller  
President of Council