

# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO

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October 3, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of prayer. Mr. Keller introduced Debbie Gooch, the new representative of the 4<sup>th</sup> ward replacing Boyd Miller. 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	Debra A. Gooch
Council at Large	Kathleen Zech
Council at Large	Michael J. Mestemaker
Council at Large	Kathleen M. Goedl

The minutes of the September 19 meeting were approved. Mr. Keller called for reports from Council.

## **Recognition of the Public**

Mayor Laumann presented Mr. Jim Rigney with an award of special appreciation and recognition of his contribution and dedicated service to the Western Hills Veterans Council and to our community. The award was presented on behalf of the Western Hills Veterans Council. Several members of the Veterans Council were in attendance.

Mayor Laumann presented Joe Toney, a member of the Faith Fellowship Church, with a plaque recognizing him as an *Outstanding Citizen* for his work on cleaning up and painting the fence around the Westwood Baptist Cemetery on Harrison Avenue. Mrs. Goedl commented on why the outstanding citizen award was started and its criteria. Members of the Faith Fellowship Church were also in attendance.

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

Mr. Neal read a report of the Board of Control of the City of Cheviot (a copy of which is on file) into the record. Mr. Neal recommended accepting the bid of the Morton Salt Company to provide ice control salt for the 2000-2001 winter season for the Cheviot Maintenance Department. Their bid was: \$29.16/ton dumped and \$30.66/ton piled. Mr. Waters will have the proper paperwork drafted by the next council meeting. Mr. Neal received word from Cincinnati Waterworks of a proposed plan to replace a water main on Bridgetown Road from Race Road to Harrison and Frances Avenues.

## **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Laumann stated that today he had the privilege of hosting a group of people from Shizuoka, Japan through the Friendship Force.

## **Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters stated that he had given a copy of a proposal from Scott Royder of Metricom to members of council. Mr. Royder was referred to Mr. Mastruserio's committee for review. Mr. Waters received a proposed lease agreement from Hamilton County regarding rental of the council chambers for Area Court on Thursday nights. The gun lawsuit is ongoing. Mr. Waters said he receives weekly updates from the assistant prosecutors who are handling that case. There was discussion regarding the three-year lease agreement with Hamilton County. This was placed in the Finance Committee.

**Committee Reports**

Ward 1 -- Mr. Mastruserio attended a meeting with Mrs. Bonavita at Cheviot School this morning. Mr. Mastruserio read a report of the Wage Negotiation Committee into the record with the clarification of item #3 being the Assistant to the Clerk of Mayor's Court. There was a motion to receive and file the report made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Ward 2 -- Mr. Dinkelacker had no report.

Ward 3 -- Mr. Morganroth called for a Police & Fire Committee meeting to be held before the next council meeting to discuss training periods in the fire department.

Ward 4 -- Mrs. Gooch had no report. Mrs. Gooch will assume all of Mr. Miller's committee assignments and will be added to the Schools Committee.

Council at Large -- Mr. Mestemaker had no report. He congratulated Mrs. Gooch on her appointment to council.

Council at Large -- Mrs. Zech welcomed Mrs. Gooch on board. There was a motion to suspend the rules on ORD00-37 - an ordinance *To Establish A "D.U.I. Sustenance Of Prisoners Fund"; And To Declare An Emergency* made by Mrs. Zech with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 7-0 by roll-call vote. There was a motion to adopt made by Mr. Morganroth with a second by Mr. Mastruserio. The motion carried 7-0 by roll-call vote and ORD00-37 was adopted. Mrs. Zech stated that Mr. Meyer, the Building Commissioner, is still working on the second part of the zoning codes and she will be calling a committee meeting soon. Mrs. Zech was also at the meeting at Cheviot School this morning.

Council at Large -- Mrs. Goedl stated that ORD00-36 - an ordinance *To Increase The Annual Appropriations For Selected Accounts; And To Declare An Emergency* needed passage. There was a motion to suspend the rules made by Mr. Mastruserio with a second by Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 6-0-1 by roll-call vote with Mrs. Gooch abstaining. There was a motion to adopt made by Mrs. Goedl with a second by Mr. Mestemaker. The motion carried 6-0-1 by roll-call vote (Mrs. Gooch abstaining) and ORD00-36 was adopted. Mrs. Goedl gave an oral report regarding Community Services West and the social services and programs to be made available to older adult citizens of the city.

Further Business -- There was a motion to receive and file the Mayor's Court Receipt Report for September 2000 made by Mr. Mestemaker with a second by Mrs. Zech. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote.

Correspondence -- The Clerk received back from the Hamilton County Board of Elections the four issues on the November ballot and how they are worded. Mr. Waters has reviewed these. A notice from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control was received regarding a renewal of a license. With no objection from Police Chief or Council, this will be returned to the Liquor Control Board with no objection. Cheviot Action Partnership is sponsoring a Halloween Dance on October 21<sup>st</sup> at Cheviot Fieldhouse and also the Haunted Stroll Through the Park will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> at Harvest Home Park.

There was a motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Gooch with a second by Mrs. Zech. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. Council adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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Michael J. Murray  
Clerk of Council

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Samuel D. Keller  
President of Council