

## **MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING, CHEVIOT, OHIO**

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October 17, 2006

The regular session of Council was called to order at 7:33 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	Michael J. Mestemaker
Law Director	Mark G. Waters
Safety Service Director	Steven O. Neal
Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Ward	Ryan T. Zech
Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	Dennis T. Dinkelacker
Council 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	James F. Sunderhaus
Council 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Greg J. Stautberg
Council at Large	Kathleen S. Zech
Council at Large	Charles L. Norman
Council at Large	Steven L. Braun

The minutes of October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 were approved. President Mestemaker called for the reports that would be presented.

### **Recognition of the Public**

No one from the public wished to speak.

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

Mr. Neal informed Council that the City has received five bids to provide ice control salt for the upcoming winter season, and that Morton Salt provided the lowest bid. Mr. Neal informed everyone that Council would be passing an ordinance tonight so the City can move forward with filing a SCIP application to obtain funding for upcoming road improvement projects. Mr. Neal informed Council that all curb, apron, and catch basin work on has been completed on Lovell, Darwin, and Dina Avenues, and that the rest of the work should be completed by the end of November. Mr. Neal added that work on Gamble and Everett Avenues should begin soon. Mr. Neal informed everyone that the Hamilton County Board of Elections has again changed the voting location for two precincts in Ward Three back to the Whitewater Church from the Cheviot Fieldhouse as previously reported. Mr. Neal informed everyone that the City's leaf pickup service will begin soon. Mr. Neal then reminded everyone that Halloween will be celebrated on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M., that the Veterans Day Parade will be held on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M., and that the route for the parade has changed. The parade will begin at the corner of Woodbine and North Bend Road, move to Harrison Avenue, and end at City Hall. President Mestemaker asked Mr. Neal which precincts will be voting at Whitewater Church. Mr. Neal informed Council that it would be precincts 3-A and 3-B.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Keller reminded everyone that Cheviot will have three issues (Issues 17, 18, and 19) on the ballot on Election Day. Mayor Keller reminded everyone that Issues 17 and 18 are renewal levies that will not raise anyone's taxes, and that Issue 19 will give Cheviot residents the option to participate in a Gas Aggregation Program. He encouraged residents to vote for all three issues.

### **Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters had no formal report. Mayor Keller asked that he, the Law Director, and the Safety-Service Director be excused to attend to an employee issue.

### **Committee Reports**

Ward 1 - Mr. Zech had no formal report. Mr. Zech informed Council that the CWCA is looking forward to sponsoring the Christmas light displays in the City this year, as well as moving forward on the

Cemetery Project. Mr. Zech then updated Council on the progress of the Cemetery Project. Mr. Zech informed Council that he has recently spoken with Woodbine Avenue residents regarding a few citizen complaints that he will address at a future time. Mr. Zech reminded everyone that there will be a Public Hearing regarding the Cheviot Municipal Swimming Pool on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M.

Ward 2 - Mr. Dinkelacker read a report of the External Affairs Committee regarding Economic Development into the record. Mrs. Zech made a motion to receive and file the report with a second from Mr. Zech. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Ward 3 - Mr. Sunderhaus had no formal report. Mr. Sunderhaus thanked Rachel Tierney (representing LaSalle High School) for coming to Council this evening to take pictures of all the LaSalle graduates involved with Cheviot City Government.

Ward 4 - Mr. Stautberg had no formal report. Mr. Stautberg informed Council that he and Mr. Norman will be attending an OKI meeting on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and invited all of Council to attend. Mr. Norman asked if WPS is planning anything to educate the public on the upcoming Gas Aggregation ballot issue. Mr. Stautberg said they have provided a DVD that he hopes to run on Cheviot Cable Public Access. Mr. Zech informed Mr. Stautberg that he will make sure the information is broadcasted.

Council at Large - Mrs. Zech read a report of the Laws, Rules, and Ordinances Committee into the record. Mrs. Zech made a motion to receive and file the report with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Mrs. Zech informed Council that the Law Director hopes to have the ordinance discussed in her report completed by the next regular meeting of Council.

Council at Large - Mr. Norman had no formal report. Mr. Norman called a meeting of the Building and Annexation Committee for Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M.

Council at Large - Mr. Braun had no formal report. Mr. Braun made a motion *To Stay Enforcement Of Metered Parking In The City Of Cheviot Business District From December 1, 2006, Through December 31, 2006, And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 06-31. Mr. Stautberg made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Zech. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Dinkelacker made a motion to adopt with a second from Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Braun made a motion *To Accept The Bid Of Morton Salt Company For The Provision Of Ice Control Salt For The 2006-2007 Winter Season; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote and was assigned as ORD 06-32. Mr. Zech made a motion to suspend the rules with a second from Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Mrs. Zech made a motion to adopt with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Mr. Braun made a motion *To Appoint A Chief Executive Officer, A Chief Financial Officer, And A Project Manager; To Submit The Necessary Application For The State Capital Improvement Project; To Execute A Project Agreement With The Ohio Public Works Commission; And To Declare An Emergency* with a second from Mrs. Zech. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote and was assigned as RES 06-22.

### **Further Business**

Mr. Zech made a motion to receive and file the September 2006 Mayor's Court receipts with a second from Mr. Dinkelacker. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. Mr. Zech made a motion to receive and file the September 2006 Treasurer's Report with a second from Mr. Sunderhaus. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote.

### **Correspondence**

Two Property Maintenance reports, a letter from the Safety-Service Director detailing the bids for Ice Control Salt, an updated property maintenance list from the Public Works Superintendent, a letter from the Hamilton County Board of Elections regarding Legal Advertisements for the proposed ballot issues

in the City of Cheviot in the November 7<sup>th</sup> election, an exam announcement from the State of Ohio, and a Legislative Bulletin from the Ohio Municipal League were received.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Zech with a second from Mr. Zech. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

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Matthew D. McGowan  
Clerk of Council

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Michael J. Mestemaker  
President of Council