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Minutes of City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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Special meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by President Slaughter with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Roll was called and the following were found to be in attendance:

Mayor	Sam Keller
President of Council	Deborah M.Slaughter
Law Director	Mark Waters
Council Ward 3	Jim Sunderhaus
Council Ward 4	Bill Clark
Council At Large	Kitty Zech
Council At Large	Jeff Baker
Council At Large	Amy Richter

Mr. Sunderhaus motioned to excuse Mr. Zech. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dinkelacker

President Slaughter announced that we would be dispensing with the procedure of a regular meeting, since this meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the second reading of Ordinance 12-38, by title being named *TO ENACT A FEE FOR THE PROVISION OF TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES*. A motion to dispense with the regular procedure was made by Mr.Sunderhaus, with a second by Mrs. Zech.

Discussion began with the difference between a Trash Collection fee and a City Service fee. Mr. Waters pointed out the city does not have the authority to enact a fee for anything other than for a specific purpose.

Mayor Keller distributed a list of Dumpster Fee Codes, based on whether a property is a single family or two family residence, or a multi-family residence or business. Residential users cannot opt out of the fee. Businesses, however, can continue to use the waste collection services of a commercial contractor as long as they are currently under contract with that carrier, and are utilizing a dumpster, as opposed to garbage cans.

Mr. Zech joined the meeting at 7:10PM.

Mr. Zech pointed out that some local businesses that are run by national franchises generally have a single method of waste removal which is contracted nationally. These businesses should not be using waste collection services offered by the City of Cheviot.

Also, Mr. Zech pointed out that we do not want to discourage new businesses from opening in Cheviot because of a waste collection fee. Mayor Keller stated that new businesses will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

For the first quarter of 2013, businesses will be billed according to their waste removal history. After the first quarter, their rates can be adjusted in accordance with the amount of waste generated by a specific address and the frequency of collection.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:42PM.

Jenny M. Eilermann
Clerk of Council

Deborah M. Slaughter
President of Council