

**December 17, 2013**  
**Minutes of City Council, Cheviot, Ohio**

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Meeting was called to order at 7:30PM 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 D. Keller
President of Council	Deborah M. Slaughter
Law Director	Mark Waters
Safety Services Director	Tom Braun
Council Ward 1	Jim Martin
Council Ward 3	Jim Sunderhaus
Council Ward 4	Bill Clark
Council At Large	Kitty Zech
Council At Large	Amy Richter
Council At Large	Jeff Baker

There was a motion made by Mr. Baker to excuse Mr. Dinkelacker's absence. The motion received a second from Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Amendments were made to the agenda by President Slaughter.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2013 meeting was made by Mr. Martin. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Members the Cheviot Firemen's Association and CCDC were on hand to present Fire Chief Klein with a check in the amount of \$1650. These were the proceeds from the Arts and Music Fair held on October 19.

Chief Klein went over his department's report. A copy of the report is on file with the Clerk of Council.

Standing Committees: Mr. Baker reported of the Building and Annexation Committee's meeting on December 9. The focus of the meeting was to make changes in the Zoning Code to allow microbreweries to operate within the city. Motion to receive and file the report was made by Mr. Baker with a second by Mrs. Zech.

Parks And Recreation: Mr. Clark presented his report on the December 9 meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to amend the rates for rental of city facilities. Motion to receive and file was made by Mr. Clark, with a second by Mr. Martin. Following Mr. Clark's report, CFA President Dave Nienaber addressed council regarding his organization's inability to afford the new rates. Parks and Recreation will meet again to go over the new rates and come up with a more amicable solution to help this hometown organization continue to provide recreation to the community's youth.

Ordinance 13-30 To Amend The 2013 Annual Budget Appropriations To Create New Budget Line Item; And To Declare An Emergency. Introduced by Mr. Sunderhaus, seconded by Mr. Clark. Approved with a 6-0 voice vote. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Martin with a second by Mr. Baker. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote. Motion to adopt was made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mrs. Richter. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.

Resolution 13-16 To Request That The County Auditor Make Advance Payment Of Taxes To The City Of Cheviot; And To Declare An Emergency. Resolution introduced by Mr. Sunderhaus, seconded by Mrs. Zech. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Administrative Reports: Mayor Keller has spoken with Home Depot about future projects they can help with. Mr. Braun is going to ask for materials and labor for the Pioneer Park renovation. The City has received notice of Sgt. Holder's retirement as of Jan 3, 2014. He wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas a Happy New Year.

Safety Services: No report

Law Director: No report

Other Business: President Slaughter attended a recent LSDMC meeting, wherein there was discussion about utilizing the school building as a community learning center. .

Upcoming meetings: 7PM on 12/30 Parks & Rec to discuss rental rates. 7:30 12/30. Committee Meeting of the Whole, Jan 14, 7PM to discuss council rules.

There will be no meeting on Tuesday, Jan 7. Jan 1 at noon will be the first meeting of the new year. Judge Winkler will be present for the swearing in, followed by a reception at Higher Ground. \$7 per elected official to offset the cost of the "after-party".

Mr. Baker addressed council regarding perceived harassment of residents by Ohio State Patrol. Some discussion ensued.

At 8:20PM President Slaughter suspended the meeting, to be re-convened Jan 1 at 12 noon.

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Jenny M. Eilermann, Clerk of Council

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Deborah M. Slaughter, President of Council