

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

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September 1, 2009

The regular session of Council was called to order at 7:33 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Roll call was taken and the following were found in attendance:

Mayor	Samuel D. Keller
President of Council	Deborah M. McKinney
Law Director	Mark Waters
Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Ward	Ryan A. Zech
Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	Matthew D. McGowan
Council 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	James F. Sunderhaus
Council 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	Gregory Stautberg
Council at Large	Kathleen S. Zech
Council at Large	Dennis T. Dinkelacker
Council at Large	Steve Braun

President McKinney stated there was one piece of legislation, an ordinance regarding an Economic Developer. A motion to approve and file the minutes for August 18, 2009 was made by Mr. Dinkelacker, seconded by Ms. Zech. The motion passed with a 7-0 voice vote.

## **Public Recognition on Agenda Items**

No members of the Public were recognized to address any of the agenda items.

## **Reports of Standing Committees**

There were no reports of any standing committees.

## **Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions**

Ms. Zech read the ordinance to create the position of an Economic Developer in its entirety, *To Authorize the Mayor to Contract for the Services of an Economic Development Director; and to Declare an Emergency*; a few changes to the ordinance were made prior to its passage. An introduction was made by Ms. Zech and seconded by Mr. McGowan. The motion passed with a 7-0 voice vote. The ordinance was assigned ordinance number 09-20. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Sunderhaus and seconded by Mr. Zech. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 7-0. Mr. Waters will supply the modified version to council next meeting. Mr. Stautberg stated for the record that the position will be fully funded by the \$1 home fund for the rest of this year and over half of 2010. A motion to adopt was made by Mr. Dinkelacker and seconded by Mr. McGowan. A roll call vote was taken and the ordinance was adopted with a 7-0 vote.

## **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Keller stated that all three contract negotiations are complete for the most part. Only 1 issue remains, that of insurance.

Mayor Keller discussed a proposed ordinance for Council to consider. The ordinance will allow employees to participate in a 457 deferred comp plan. The program is completely optional for city employees. Mayor Keller gave the contract to President McKinney to put in committee. The Mayor stated a contact number was included. The ordinance will go into Mr. Stautberg's Finance Committee.

Mayor Keller informed Clerk McKinney there were papers from CDS that needed to be signed.

The fence in front of the cemetery has been installed and all issues concerning the fence are being resolved.

Chris Baker and Tom Braun are handling the issue. Mayor Keller stated the bill will not be paid until the situation is resolved. The City does not accept the fence in its' current state.

Phase I of Harrison is complete, line striping currently being done.

Phase II will remain as it is until the completion of the Harvest Home Parade.

There were no questions for the Mayor.

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

Mr. Neal left a report for Council. Clerk McKinney read it into the record. The report can be viewed at City Hall. There were no questions or concerns about Mr. Neal's report.

**Law Director's Report**

Mr. Waters had no formal report this evening.

**Public Recognition on Other Issues**

There were members in the audience from the Boy Scouts of America. The boys sat in on the meeting to earn a merit badge. One child asked Council a few questions concerning city issues. Mr. Zech answered most of his questions concerning the cemetery project.

**Other Business**

Mr. Stautberg called a Finance Committee Meeting for Tuesday September 8, 2009 at 7:30 pm to discuss the deferred comp ordinance and the administrative incentive ordinance.

There is a meeting with Green Township on September 8, 2009 at 6:00 pm to discuss the JEDD's. The sub-committee for this meeting consists of Mr. Dinkelacker, Mr. Neal, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Stautberg, and Caroline.

The Assistant Auditor informed Mr. Stautberg that we should make it through till the end of the year but Hamilton County has cut \$28,000 from our funding for next year.

The Mayor asked that someone check with Mr. Nolan in regards to the JEDD meeting.

**Mayor's Court and Treasurer's Receipts**

Treasurer Norman attended Council to explain the discrepancy with the past reports. A glitch in the excel spreadsheet caused the numbers to not add up right. Mr. Norman has fixed the previous reports from May-July and the problem in the spreadsheet has been corrected. All modified reports will be received and filed next general meeting.

**Correspondence**

- 2 property maintenance reports
- Report from Steve Neal
- Memo from HC Auditor concerning cut in funding
- Copy of Cities and Villages
- Levy Certification of passage
- Streetvibes

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Stautberg, seconded by Mr. Zech. The motion passed 7-0 by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Rachel A. McKinney  
Clerk of Council

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Deborah M. McKinney  
President of Council