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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, July 22, 2013

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

Mayor Lance Westcamp

*Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert,
Donna Drury, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary & Jan Stoots*

I. Call to Order

by Mayor Westcamp at 6:30 p.m.

Staff Present: Marsha Hall - Administrator, Kevin Shannon - Law Director, Jeff Green - Director of Finance, Lt. Kurt Blevins on behalf of Ralph Portier - Chief of Police

Guests Present: The Guest Book is on file with the Clerk of Council.

II. Moment of Silence

The Mayor asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Lt. Kurt Blevins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

*** Council Member Rarey arrived at 6:31 p.m.**

Present: 6 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member Dildine, Council Member Drury, Council Member Hilbert, Council Member Rarey, and Council Member Stoots

V. Approval of Minutes - July 8, 2013

Approved as submitted.

#067-2013 7-8-13 Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [7-8-13 Council Minutes.pdf](#)

VI. Business of Guests**1. Judith Laird - Resident, 216 Front Street.**

Judith Laird thanked Council for approving a parking permit in front of her house. She also expressed concerns regarding the railroad tracks on Front Street being a safety issue with kids falling on the track on their bicycles. She explained she was told that the railroad crossing would be repaired and now she heard from a railroad worker that this is not the case due to not having enough money for the asphalt. Administrator Hall commented,

as of a month ago, she understood that repairs were to be part of this year's capital improvements and added she will check on the matter. Ms. Laird said she believes there is lack of development in Groveport due to business owners being required to go through a lot of red tape and that there seems to be a problem that Council should address. She noted she spoke to numerous business owners in Groveport and they tell her that the City is very hard to work with and not cooperative.

2. 2013 4th of July Committee Volunteers - Bob Garvin

Bob Garvin, 4th of July Committee Chair, introduced the 2013 volunteers. He reported the attendance was good this year and there was good business for the concessions and stated that he appreciated the collaboration of the committee and the groups who were involved in its success. Council Member Dildine expressed his appreciation to Council and all the volunteers on a job well done. Mayor Westcamp applauded the hard work of everyone who made it another great year.

VII. Ordinances and Resolutions

A. 3rd Readings - None

B. 2nd Readings - None

C. 1st Readings

ORD. 13-033 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT INSTRUMENT WITH AEP AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Stoots

Law Director Shannon requested Council consider emergency action on the matter explaining that it is an easement instrument assisting the City to relocate the electric power for the Town Center Project at Front Street and Main Street.

Council Member Cleary indicated he would be abstaining on the Ordinance due to his employment with American Electric Power.

The Clerk of Council read the title. A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to suspend the rules as to the three readings and

the effective date. The motion carried by the following vote:

Abstain: 1 - Cleary

Yes: 5 - Dildine, Drury, Hilbert, Rarey and Stoots

A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to adopt as emergency legislation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Abstain: 1 - Cleary

Yes: 5 - Dildine, Drury, Hilbert, Rarey and Stoots

VIII. Reports

#068-2013 7-22-13 Council Update

Attachments: [CR 7-22-2013.pdf](#)

#069-2013 June 2013 Finance Report

Attachments: [June Finance Report.pdf](#)

A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp

No report

B. Administrator - Marsha Hall

Administrator Hall requested the capital purchase to lease a smaller dump truck for Public Works, which will better suit the needs of the City. She asks Council give their thoughts on amending the 2013 appropriations to purchase this truck now to be ready for this year's snow season. She explained the current 1998 International Dump Truck originally cost approximately \$54,000.00, has \$22,129 in maintenance costs and will cost an estimated \$12,026 to repair the truck's engine that is leaking. Council Member Stoots inquired whether the new purchase would be replacing another small truck currently in the fleet. Administrator Hall responded there are no trucks of this size in the fleet only the large dump trucks, the smaller truck would be beneficial in plowing narrow roads and cul-de-sacs. Council Member Stoots asked the total number in the fleet, Administrator Hall did not have that information at this time. Council Member Rarey commented that even though the larger trucks are more costly, he is concerned that the smaller truck would not meet the

needs of the city in the winter months, or for the remainder of the year. Administrator Hall responded that the small truck is at the request of Staff to better accommodate the City's needs for most purposes. She noted that even when a grant was submitted to replace two 1998 International dump trucks was not successful, it was decided the small size truck is what is needed and cost was not the main factor when decided what size to purchase. Council Member Hilbert commented that Staff would know what is best suited for the City's needs. Council Member Rarey expressed issues with the smaller truck not able to fill the truck to capacity due to its height and keeping up with heavy snowfall. Council Member Stoots speculated as to why the need for a smaller truck was never brought to them in the past. Council Member Rarey commented the fleet was well maintained and few are put out of service. Administrator Hall added this truck would be put out of service due to the high cost to fix it. Council Member Cleary relayed his expertise in fleet maintenance and said he deals with this type of issue everyday. Council Member Hilbert suggested that Council Member Cleary get with Marsha Hall and Dennis Moore discuss his knowledge on maintaining the fleet in more detail. After more discussion on the matter, Mayor Westcamp decided that the fleet inventory be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole.

Council Member Dildine asked Administrator Hall if SR317 will be re-stripped after they repave the roadway. She responded they plan on it.

Council Member Cleary asked if the City is prepared for mosquitoes, since the amount of rain we've encountered lately. Ms. Hall said yes she has been in touch with the County regarding spraying.

Council Member Rarey inquired when the street lighting would be complete on Bixby Road. Administrator Hall indicated she does not have the exact date, however, the purchase order has been issued and it is slated to be done on the County's time schedule. She believes the rain may have caused some delay in the project.

C. Chief of Police - Ralph Portier

Lt. Blevins had no report on Chief Portier's behalf.

D. Director of Finance - Jeff Green

Mr. Green said the audit should be finished by end of this week.

E. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon

No report

F. Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert, Donna Drury, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary & Jan Stoots

--- Council Member Hilbert: Motion for direction to Administrator regarding the Front Street property.

A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Stoots, that Parcel No. 185-000144, which is located at 173 Front Street (ORD. 13-030) be sold after the lot is split off for the current City parking lot. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Cleary, Dildine, Drury, Hilbert and Stoots

No: 1 - Rarey

G. Clerk of Council - Kimberly McWilliams

No report

H. Standing Committees

No report

IX. Other Business

No report

X. Adjournment

Council Member Hilbert made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

Lance Westcamp, Mayor

Kimberly McWilliams, Clerk of Council

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