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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, February 19, 2013

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Committee of the Whole

Mayor Lance Westcamp

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

I. Call to Order

by Committee Chair Dildine at 6:30 p.m.

Staff Present: Marsha Hall - Administrator, Kevin Shannon - Law Director, Jeff Green - Director of Finance, Steve Farst - Engineer, Dennis Moore - Public Works Superintendent, Kyle Lund - Parks and Recreation Director, Tom Walker - Director of Golf, Ralph Portier - Chief of Police

II. Moment of Silence

Committee Chair Dildine asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Portier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Shawn Cleary, Ed Dildine, Donna Drury, Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Rarey, Jan Stoots

V. Approval of Minutes - January 22, 2013

Approved as submitted.

VI. Business of Guests**A. Madison Township Fire Chief Bates Update**

Chief Bates updated Council on the amount of fire runs and EMS responses the Madison Township Fire Department handled for January (attached). Council thanked Chief Bates for his time.

VII. New Business**A. Vehicle Disposal Process**

Council Member Stoots indicated that she was concerned that vehicles taken out of rotation are disposed of properly. She pointed out that there was an issue last year and she would like to prevent that from happening in the future and come up with a plan. She would like to see them go to auction whether local or through the State. Chair Dildine asked if there is currently a plan in place. Finance Director Green said they do not have a formal plan in place, but have tried several different auctions that were not successful. He said they could sell the vehicles on Ebay according to the policy for online auctions. He said they will be having a meeting to discuss a formal process and bring it back to Council for discussion after Staff does some brain storming on the best way to handle the matter. He said in some cases you can get more money by scrapping the vehicles, but there should be a policy in place for procedures on how to dispose of the property.

Administrator Hall said that in some cases it is better to keep the vehicles if there is still a use for it. As an example, she said the vehicles that are not being used for the Senior Transportation Program can be used for the vendors for Apple Butter Day. After discussion on the matter, she said Staff will discuss options and bring a proposed policy back to Council at a later date.

VIII. Unfinished Business

None

IX. Ordinances and Resolutions

A. 3rd Readings - None

B. 2nd Readings - None

X. Financial Report

There was no discussion on the finance report.

XI. Other Business

None

XII. Reports

A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp

No report

B. Administrator - Marsha Hall

No report

C. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon

No report

D. Director of Finance - Jeff Green

No report

E. Chief of Police - Ralph Portier

No report

F. Public Works Superintendent - Dennis Moore

No report

G. Chief Building Official - Stephen Moore

Out

H. Director of Golf - Tom Walker

Mr. Walker reported they will be getting the new golf carts this week. He said the bar is finished and the food vendor is getting set up. He said March 1st might be very tight deadline, but they are working hard to get ready.

Council Member Rarey asked the status of Hole 13. Mr. Walker responded that the Chief Building Official and Engineer Farst met to discuss getting permits for the flood plain. Engineer Farst said he dropped off the work plan to develop the right documentation for the permits to Administrator Hall before tonight's meeting. Council Member Rarey asked if they have a date that it will be complete. Engineer Farst said he did not have a time line, but they would work with contractors on their end to come up with a solution.

I. Parks & Recreation Director - Kyle Lund**- Potential Food Vendor**

Mr. Lund submitted a proposal from Subway to lease a portion of the recreation center for one of the company's restaurants. He explained that four locations had been considered as possible sites for the Subway, including: the old front desk area in the lobby; the 1847 Room and part of the lobby; adjacent to the Kiddin' Around Room and the Lock 22 Room. He said the advantages of having the restaurant would have been: the availability of fresh, healthy fast food; convenience to recreation center patrons; the ability to expand the recreation center's birthday party package; food for room rental activities; the restaurant could attract new members; and additional revenue of about \$10,000 for the first year for the city from renting the space to the restaurant. He pointed out the disadvantages that he could see is the recreation center is not adequately sized structurally to include a restaurant; utility costs would be the responsibility of the city; a potential contractual conflict because Subway is affiliated with Coca-Cola, but the recreation center has a beverage contract with 7-Up; a potential for food aroma that might be pleasurable for some people but offensive to others; and if Subway were to eventually decide to leave, the space it occupied would have to be renovated. He explained that Subway proposed to rent space for \$500 per month for the first three months of a two-year lease and then for \$1,000 per month for the remainder of the term.

After discussion on the matter, Council Members did not support the idea. Committee Chair Dildine said he didn't think the building is designed for it and noted that it would congest the lobby area.

Chair Dildine said he did not want a restaurant to be the first thing people see when they visit the recreation center. Administrator Hall looked over the potential spots in the recreation center for the restaurant and said she didn't think it would fit. Committee Chair Dildine also said it would be costly to redesign and renovate space in the recreation center to accommodate a restaurant. Council Member Stoots said that, if a food service provider is something patrons of the recreation center would like, then the city could consider a smaller operation that would have pre-packaged sandwiches and drinks. Council Member Drury concurred, stating Diley Ridge has a nice pre-packaged lunch counter. She said the food looks very appetizing. Mr. Lund said he would explore those ideas and get back to Council with other options.

J. Community Affairs Director - Linda Haley

Out

K. Engineer - Steve Farst

Engineer Farst reported they are working on specifications and construction documents to rebuild the Spiegel Drive project. He said the City is receiving funds from the Ohio Public Works Commission, so they are working to get that done by the summer. He said Port Road is not underway yet, but is still on the list. Committee Chair Dildine said he read an article in the paper that MORPC received federal funding and wanted to know if that would open up more money for projects. He asked if Mr. Farst had information on that matter. Mr. Farst said he believes that funding source is not for this type of project.

L. Clerk of Council - Kimberly McWilliams

No report

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

XIII. Adjournment

Council Member Rarey made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hilbert to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

Edward G. Dildine, President Pro-Tem

Kimberly McWilliams, Clerk of Council

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