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Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 8, 2016

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

Mayor Lance Westcamp

***Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky
Hutson & Scott Lockett***

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, 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

Chief Portier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Shawn M. Cleary, Edward Dildine, Jean Ann Hilbert, Becky Hutson, Scott Lockett, and Ed Rarey

V. Approval of Minutes - July 25, 2016

Approved as submitted.

[#187-2016](#) City Council Meeting Minutes 7-25-16

Attachments: [City Council Meeting Minutes 7-25-16.pdf](#)

VI. Business of Guests

None

VII. Ordinances and Resolutions**A. 3rd Readings**

None.

B. 2nd Readings[ORD. 16-038](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SOLICIT BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE WEST BIXBY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PHASE 1 PROJECT WITH THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER

Sponsors: Lockett

Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No. 16-038.

C. 1st Readings[ORD. 16-040](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING SENIOR OPTIONS GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AGREEMENT NECESSARY TO RECEIVE SAID GRANT FUNDING

Sponsors: Hilbert

Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No. 16-040. This Ordinance was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

VIII. Reports**A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp**

Mayor Lance Westcamp reported Saturday was another busy day in the City of Groveport for those who attended the Pelotonia event. Next year the City will place a "Welcome to Groveport" sign at Old Hamilton Road to greet the many bikers coming through the City. Mayor Westcamp and Council Members attended the brick dedication ceremony on Saturday, August 6 at Motts Military Museum. The event was well received drawing approximately 200 to 300 people.

B. Administrator - Marsha Hall

Administrator Marsha Hall raised the matter of the fence located at the Groveport Elementary School at Main Street and Wirt Road. Council had agreed to allow the fence to remain in the right-of-way until the City knew where the Wirt Road Phase II Pedestrian Bike Path would be located and where the school needed to reposition their fence. Council will need to approve any fence within the City's right-of-way. Most of the fence is out of the right-of-way but approximately 140' of the fence is within the right-of-way. The right-of-way bows outward. At the widest the fence is only 3.5' inside of the City's right-of-way. Administration would need Council's approval by motion to allow the school to erect the fence and to have a 140' portion of that fence within the City's right-of-way. The fence will have a couple of gate cuts along Wirt Road. The fence will be close to the City's walkway.

A motion was made by Council Member Cleary, seconded by Council Member Hutson, to allow Groveport Elementary School to erect a fence and to have a 140' portion of that fence within the City's right-of-way. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson, Lockett and Rarey

Ms. Hall requested Council to consider going into Executive Session to discuss economic development.

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Adm Report to Council - Aug 8

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C. Chief of Police - Ralph Portier

Chief of Police Ralph Portier had provided Council with a copy of an article about the Groveport Police Department. The article, submitted to the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) newsletter by Officer Ernie Bell, depicts the historical origin of the Groveport Police Department. The FOP newsletter is sent to all members in Central Ohio and Capital City 9.

The police department is preparing for the start of the school year. There will be access to parking at the old bus area, the front lot, some of the construction site area and the south lot at the career center. There is a planned route to access Cruiser Stadium. Chief Portier's concerns center on the young pedestrians walking on SR 317, especially at dark.

D. Director of Finance - Jeff Green

Nothing further to report.

E. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon

Nothing further to report.

F. Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky Hutson and Scott Lockett

Council Member Jean Ann Hilbert asked Council if there were any objections from Council or the City with placing a plaque at the Lock 22 site commemorating former Eagle Scout, Nathan White, on the completion of his Eagle Scout Project. The request came from Nathan White's mother who will cover the costs and draw up plans for the plaque to present to Administration to get the City's approval. City workers will put the plaque in place at the site of Lock 22.

A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to allow the display of a plaque commemorating Nathan White and his Eagle Scout Project at Lock 22. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson, Lockett and Rarey

G. Clerk of Council - Ruthanne Sargus Ross

Nothing to report.

H. Standing Committees

Council Member Shawn Cleary reported the Cemetery Committee met on Wednesday, August 3, 2016. The Committee met with Senior Accountant Anna Krigbaum to discuss the Perpetual Fund. Mrs. Krigbaum answered questions and provided guidelines for reporting the use of the Perpetual Fund. The Committee plans to get with Administration to see what costs would be involved in projecting the number of plats for the last section of the cemetery. Mr. Cleary will look into the matter of patrons paying for lots in installments. The Committee can now easily track what monies go to the Perpetual Fund and what goes to the Operations Fund.

IX. Other Business

None.

a. Executive Session

Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) for economic development purposes as set forth in Section 8 (a) and (b) to include all Members of Council, the Mayor, the Administrator, the Finance Director and himself.

A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Cleary, to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) for economic development purposes as set forth in Section 8 (a) and (b) to include all Members of Council, the Mayor, the Administrator, the Finance Director and the Law Director at 6:46 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson, Lockett and Rarey

A motion was made by Council Member Rarey, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to come out of Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. with no action taken. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson, Lockett and Rarey

X. Adjournment

Mayor Westcamp reminded everyone the August 15, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting will start at 5:30 p.m.

Council Member Cleary made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hilbert to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

Lance Westcamp, Mayor

Ruthanne Sargus Ross, Clerk of Council

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