

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
MARCH 26, 2012

[Call to Order](#)

Mayor Ronald A. D'Epifanio called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM at 5350 Pleasant Avenue.

[Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance](#)

Councilmember Jones led in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

[Roll Call](#)

Clerk Jolivette called the roll of Council. Councilmember Oler, Councilmember Jones, Councilmember Holtegel, Councilmember Pennington, Councilmember Senger, and Councilmember Abbott.

Councilmember Holtegel, seconded by Councilmember Senger moved to excuse Councilmember Meyers. Motion Carried 6-0.

[Agenda Modifications](#)

No Modifications were made to the Agenda.

[Executive Session Requests](#)

There were no requests for Executive Session.

[Public Hearing\(s\)](#)

No public hearings were scheduled.

[Special Presentations and Citizen Comments](#)

Joe Statzer, Butler County Auditor's Office, announced the deadline for the Board of Revisions to appeal property reassessments is March 31.

[Mayor/Council Reports](#)

Councilmember Oler encouraged Council to read the memo regarding the sound system lack of sound in order to discuss this at the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Abbott reported effective April 1st the City will become self insured for worker's compensation, which should save substantial dollars over a period of time.

Councilmember Senger announced Fairfield was named Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for the 17th year. He announced the Fairfield Aquatic Center's receipt of a Gold International Aquatic Safety Award for the 2011 Aquatic Season. Councilmember Senger announced Fairfield had three facilities mentioned in Cincinnati Magazine Best of the North side article. Those three being Jungle Jim's International Market, Fairfield Community Arts Center, and Marsh Fishing Lake. He stated Cincinnati has notified the FAA that they intend to close the Blue Ash airport during the month of June. He discussed his disappointment with this situation especially considering how many business aircraft are kept there, two flight schools and a flight club which does flight training. He encouraged the City of Fairfield to work together with the Airport Manager of the Hamilton/Fairfield/Butler County Airport and the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce to work with those businesses to try to attract them to Fairfield.

Councilmember Pennington congratulated the Fairfield High School Basketball Team Coached by Tim Austing for a great basketball season. Mayor D'Epifanio announced he has invited the Coaches and team to the next Council meeting to be recognized.

Mayor D'Epifanio announced a Veteran's recognition event being held June 30 from 1 to 4:30 PM at the Regional Airport. This

event was in conjunction with Hamilton and is now going to be countywide. Mayor D'Epifanio discussed the SELF, Supports to Encourage Low Income Families, organization which assists people to improve their life and get on their own. He reminded everyone that the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held this Thursday at 5:30 PM at Receptions.

#### Approval of Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2012

The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2012 were approved as written.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

**Adam Jones, Chairman; Tim Meyers, Vice Chairman, Jeff Holtegel, Member**

[Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. for purchase of chlorine for use at the Water Treatment Plant.](#)

Councilmember Jones presented the third reading of this Ordinance. Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 26-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

[Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a three \(3\) year contract with Brentag Mid-South for purchase of hydrofluorosilic acid for use at the Water Treatment Plant..](#)

Councilmember Jones presented the third reading of this Ordinance. Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 27-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Mike Oler, Chairman; Debbie Pennington, Vice Chairman, Terry Senger, Member**

[An Ordinance to declare fifty \(50\) sets of personal protective equipment in the Fire Department as surplus and authorize the City Manager or designee to distribute the personal protective equipment to area vocational schools.](#)

Councilmember Oler presented the second reading of this Ordinance. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this Ordinance. Councilmember Oler explained he would like to suspend the rules requiring the third reading because a lot of summer schools will be starting for vocational schools and this equipment can be used for students. Also it will free up storage space at the Fire Department. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Holtegel moved to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 28-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

##### **FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**Tim Abbott, Chairman; Terrence Senger, Vice Chairman, Michael Oler, Member**

[An Ordinance to amend Section 181.01, entitled "Purpose", of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, relative to the apportionment of the existing Municipal Income Tax.](#)

Councilmember Abbott presented the second reading of this Ordinance. Ordinance approved for second reading only.

[A Resolution to direct the Butler County, Ohio Board of Elections to conduct an election with regard to the reapportionment of the existing Municipal Income Tax.](#)

Councilmember Abbott presented the second reading of this Resolution. Resolution approved for second reading only.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

**Adam Jones, Chairman; Tim Meyers, Vice Chairman, Jeff Holtegel, Member**

[Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Parkson Corporation for the purchase of replacement panel membranes in the aeration tanks at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and declaring an emergency.](#)

Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Senger moved to read the following Ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

**Background:** City Manager Pizzano recommended a contract with Parkson Corporation for the purchase of replacement panel membranes in the aeration tanks at the Wastewater Plant. Mr. Pizzano explained this will reinstall panels at five tanks at the Wastewater Plant. He further explained Parkson is the only company in this country that manufactures these so this will not be public bid. He commented staff will be doing the installation with technical support by Parkson. **Legislative Action:** Councilmember Jones presented the first reading of this Ordinance. Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Holtegel moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this Ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Holtegel moved to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 29-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Mike Oler, Chairman; Debbie Pennington, Vice Chairman, Terry Senger, Member**

[Simple Motion: Motion requesting that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of TKC Management LLC DBA The Aviator, 5353 B Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 \(Permit Classes: D1, D3, D3A\).](#)

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to request that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of TKC Management LLC DBA The Aviator, 5353 B Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 (Permit Classes: D1, D3, D3A). Motion Carried 6-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 8-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

[Simple Motion: Motion requesting that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of Midwest Rentals LLC DBA Fairfield Mobil 401, 6477 Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 \(Permit Classes: C1 and C2\).](#)

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to request that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of Midwest Rentals LLC DBA Fairfield Mobil 401, 6477 Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 (Permit Classes: C1 and C2). Motion Carried 6-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 9-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

[Simple Motion: Motion requesting that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of Lots of Asian Cuisine, 6600 C Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 \(Permit Classes: D1 and D2\).](#)

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to request that no hearing be held on the liquor permit application in the name of Lots of Asian Cuisine, 6600 C Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 (Permit Classes: D1 and D2). Motion Carried 6-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 10-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

#### **COMMUNITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**Debbie Pennington, Chairman; Jeff Holtegel, Vice Chairman, Adam Jones, Member**

[Simple Motion: Motion appointing the following Fairfield residents to serve on Fairfield's Boards and Commissions effective April 1, 2012: Mary Stier - Board of Building Appeals \(Term expiring 3/31/2016\) Dennis Miller - Board of Building Appeals \(Term expiring 3/31/2016\) Ron Siciliano - Board of Zoning Appeals \(Term expiring 3/31/2017\) Richard Fox - Civil Service Commission \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Darin Newcomer - Cultural Arts Commission \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Victoria Bailey - Cultural Arts Commission \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Veronica Craig - Environmental Commission \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Charlie Wolfe - Fair Housing Board \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Doug Davidson - Fair Housing Board \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Marty Judd - Parks & Recreation Board, Second Ward \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Bob Breen - Parks & Recreation Board, At-Large \(Term expiring 3/31/2015\) Bert Huffer - Design Review, At-Large \(Term expiring 3/31/2014\) Mark Koeninger - Design Review, Northwest Quadrant \(Term expiring 3/31/2014\) Stephanie Spurlock - Design Review, Southwest Quadrant \(Term expiring 3/31/2014\)](#)

Councilmember Pennington, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to appoint the following Fairfield residents to serve on Fairfield's Boards and Commissions effective April 1, 2012: Mary Stier - Board of Building Appeals (Term expiring 3/31/2016) Dennis Miller - Board of Building Appeals (Term expiring 3/31/2016) Ron Siciliano - Board of Zoning Appeals (Term expiring 3/31/2017) Richard Fox - Civil Service Commission (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Darin Newcomer - Cultural Arts Commission (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Victoria Bailey - Cultural Arts Commission (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Veronica Craig - Environmental Commission (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Charlie Wolfe - Fair Housing Board (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Doug Davidson - Fair Housing Board (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Marty Judd - Parks & Recreation Board, Second Ward (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Bob Breen - Parks & Recreation Board, At-Large (Term expiring 3/31/2015) Bert Huffer - Design Review, At-Large (Term expiring 3/31/2014)

3/31/2014) Mark Koeninger - Design Review, Northwest Quadrant (Term expiring 3/31/2014) Stephanie Spurlock - Design Review, Southwest Quadrant (Term expiring 3/31/2014) Motion Carried 6-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 11-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

[Simple Motion: Motion appointing the following Fairfield residents to serve for a four year term on the Traffic Advisory Committee effective immediately and expiring on December 31, 2015: Marilyn Weigel - First Ward Representative Debbie Prazynski - Second Ward Representative Bruce McCormick - Third Ward Representative Steve Miller - Fourth Ward Representative](#)

Councilmember Pennington, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to appoint the following Fairfield residents to serve for a four year term on the Traffic Advisory Committee effective immediately and expiring on December 31, 2015: Marilyn Weigel – First Ward Representative Debbie Prazynski - Second Ward Representative Bruce McCormick - Third Ward Representative Steve Miller - Fourth Ward Representative Motion Carried 6-0.

SIMPLE MOTION NO. 12-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

### **FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**Tim Abbott, Chairman; Terrence Senger, Vice Chairman, Michael Oler, Member**

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to read the following Ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

[Appropriation Ordinance \(Contractual Item\) - \\$55,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant aeration tanks replacement panel membranes.](#)

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended the following contractual item: \$55,000 for Wastewater Treatment Plant aeration tanks replacement panel membrane. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this Ordinance. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this Ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 29-12 ADOPTED 6-0.

### [Meeting Schedule](#)

Clerk Jolivette read the following meeting schedule:

Monday, April 9 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, April 23 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 14 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

### [Adjournment](#)

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Senger moved to adjourn. Motion Carried 6-0.

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:25 PM.

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Council

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Mayor's Approval

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_