

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 26, 2012

Call to Order

Mayor Ronald A. D'Epifanio called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building, 5350 Pleasant Avenue.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Oler led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Agenda Modifications

There were no agenda modifications.

Executive Session Requests

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to approve an Executive Session to discuss pending and imminent litigation. Clerk Wilson took a roll call vote of Council. Motion Carried 7-0.

Public Hearing(s)

There were no public hearings.

Special Presentations and Citizen Comments

Beautiful Fairfield Presentation

Development Services Director Tim Bachman presented three awards for the 2012 Beautiful Fairfield Competition. This is a friendly home improvement competition for Fairfield residents. Ron and Christy Puska, 5373 Oakbrook Drive, won runner-up for a backyard renovation. Mayor D'Epifanio commented that the Puskas are dedicated Fairfield residents and have been friends of his for 35 years. Rebecca Howell, 5363 Oakbrook Drive, won runner-up for a kitchen remodel. Ms. Howell commented that she purchased her grandparents' home from their estate and did a complete remodel of a 1977 kitchen, with the help of her father, Captain Howell of Fairfield Fire Department. She is excited to keep the home in the family and proud of the work that has been accomplished. David and Vickie Keller, 5634 Valley Forge Drive, won first place for a Florida room addition and backyard renovation. Mr. and Mrs. Keller have been Fairfield residents for many years and raised their children here. They are proud to be Fairfield residents. Councilmember Oler commented that Mrs. Keller was involved with Fairfield youth cheerleading for many years.

Councilmember Holtegel commented on his time as a judge for the competition and how difficult it is to pick a winner. He congratulated all three winners on their awards.

Keep Fairfield Strong Committee Recognition

Mayor D'Epifanio recognized Michelle Gressel, Bernie McGuire, former councilmember Mark Scharringhausen, former councilmember Joe Schwarz, and former councilmember Mike Snyder, in attendance, and Brian Begley, Chris Kendall, Don Hassler, Rick Fox, and Sue McGuire, not in attendance,

for their hard work and dedication to the Keep Fairfield Strong Committee and the income tax reapportionment issue that passed on the November ballot. He thanked the committee for their efforts in helping the ballot issue pass.

Councilmembers Abbott, Senger, Holtegel, Jones and Oler thanked the committee for working so diligently to inform Fairfield residents of the ballot issue and explain to people that it was not an income tax increase. The reapportionment will allow Fairfield to maintain services provided to the residents. Law Director Clemmons thanked Brian Begley and Chris Kendall for serving as co-chairs of the committee and Joe Schwarz for hosting the meetings.

United States Post Office Fairfield Branch 50th Anniversary Proclamation

Councilmember Pennington presented a proclamation from Mayor D'Epifanio to James Huber, Superintendent of the United States Post Office Fairfield Branch. The proclamation honors the 50th anniversary of the USPS Fairfield Branch on December 2. There will be a hand-stamping cancellation event in celebration of this anniversary on Monday, December 3 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the USPS Fairfield Branch on Wessel Drive. Mr. Huber thanked the city for their support and invited anyone interested to attend the stamping event on Monday.

Resident Peggy Collins, 5299 Dee Alva, commented that she is happy to see the city running the way the Charter intended. Councilmember Holtegel commented that Ms. Collins is one of the original authors of the Charter.

Mayor/Council Reports

Councilmember Meyers reported that the 6th Grade FYCA won Nationals in Daytona Beach. He congratulated their accomplishment.

Councilmember Abbott thanked Finance Director Mary Hopton and city staff for the budget meeting prior to the council meeting and all the great information provided.

Councilmember Senger reported that Light Up Fairfield is Saturday, December 1 at Village Green from 2:00 to 6:00 PM. The tree lighting is at 5:30 PM at the amphitheater. The activities for the day are listed on the city website.

Councilmember Pennington reported that the Elisha Morgan Mansion is open Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM and will be decorated for Christmas.

Councilmember Holtegel reported that proposed changes to the Codified Ordinances will be coming to Council from the Planning Commission sometime early next year. The changes are related to downtown zoning and conditional use.

Councilmember Jones reported that there was a surprise inspection from the EPA on the water systems laboratory and the city passed 100%. There will be three retirements in Public Utilities over the next couple of months. Drew Young, Superintendent of Wastewater, Darrell Blevins, Water Division Maintenance Foreman, and June Jeffrey, Clerk II in Wastewater. He commented that Drew Young was instrumental in the Miracle League fields project and these employees will be greatly missed.

Mayor D'Epifanio commented that there will be a magician and face painting at Light Up Fairfield on Saturday. Children can also make an ornament for a small charge. He will invite the children to the stage

for the countdown to light the tree, as well. Mayor D'Epifanio presented several Fairfield Works comment cards for city employees Phil Brann, Utilities Operator, Mark Parker, Development Manager, Tax Division employees, Matt Young, Construction Inspector, Firefighters, and Police Officer John Vinsky. He also commended Officer Chenoweth for helping one of his friends through the death of their son this past week.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2012

- The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 22, 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 execute a Memorandum of Understanding (Marketing Agreement) with Utility Service Partner Private Label, Inc. DBA Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA) for a National League of Cities (NLC) endorsed residential service line warranty.

Legislative Action: Councilmember Jones presented the second reading of this ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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

Ordinance to adopt new sections 301.031, 301.161, 301.181, 301.361, 333.11, 335.032 and 513.121, repeal existing section 313.06 and amend various other sections of the Traffic and General Offenses Codes of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to adopt new sections of the Codified Ordinances, repeal one section and amend various other sections. This is a standard procedure done to keep up with State laws. Legislative Action: Councilmember Oler presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 103-12. APPROVED 7-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Tim Meyers, Chairman; Mike Oler, Vice Chairman, Tim Abbott, Member

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to read the following three (3) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Ordinance to declare two (2) city vehicles as surplus and authorize the City Manager to sell the vehicles on GovDeals.com.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to declare two city vehicles as surplus and authorize sale on GovDeals.com. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 104-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Miller Pipeline Coporation for the 2012 Storm Sewer Lining.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended a contract with Miller Pipeline Corporation for the 2012 Storm Sewer Lining. This will maintain the storm sewers for several more years. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 105-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager enter into a contract with Byers Chevrolet, LLC for purchase of three (3) police cruisers and declaring an emergency.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended a contract with Byers Chevrolet, LLC for the purchase of three police cruisers. This is a State contract for Chevy Caprice cruisers, which won the bid with the state. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Holtegel moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Oler questioned why the Chevy Caprice, which is made in Australia, was chosen, instead of an American-made vehicle. Public Works Director Dave Butsch and Police Chief Mike Dickey explained why this car was chosen and that the State chose the lowest and best bid for the specifications required for the cruisers. ORDINANCE NO. 106-12. APPROVED 7-0.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Tim Abbott, Chairman; Terry Senger, Vice Chairman, Mike Oler, Member

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to read the following four (4) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Reconcile Accounts - See Ordinance for details)

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to reconcile accounts. This is done every year in November and December, in order to begin the process of closing out the books for the year.

Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 107-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Contractual Item) - \$35,000 for 2012 Storm Sewer Lining; \$83,285 for purchase of three (3) police cruisers.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an appropriation ordinance for contractual items previously approved during this meeting. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 108-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Non-Contractual Item) - \$16,055 for Holiday Drive Headwall Replacement; \$6,285 for upgrades and maintenance at the Community Arts Center; \$15,000 for purchase of hydrants for Water Division; \$16,600 for deep well revitalization on Well #5 at the Water Treatment Facility; \$7,450 for repairs on Well #6 at the Water Treatment Facility; \$32,500 for replacement of frame rails on Quint 32; \$49,500 for upgrade to software application for Parks & Recreation Department.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an appropriation ordinance for \$16,055for Holiday Drive Headwall Replacement; \$6,285 for upgrades and maintenance at the Community Arts Center; \$15,000 for purchase of hydrants for Water Division; \$16,600 for deep well revitalization on Well #5 at the Water Treatment Facility; \$7,450 for repairs on Well #6 at the Water Treatment Facility; \$32,500 for replacement of frame rails on Quint 32; \$49,500 for upgrade to software application for Parks & Recreation Department. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Meyers asked what type of software was being purchased for Parks and Recreation. Parks and Recreation Director Jim Bell explained the new software and that the current software is so old that it is no longer supported. ORDINANCE NO. 109-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Non-Contractual Item) - \$45,000 for Kolb Drive street lighting - Duke Energy.

Councilmember Tim Abbott recused himself and left Council Chambers prior to the reading of and vote on this ordinance.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an appropriation ordinance to continue work on street lighting on Kolb Drive. This work will be done by Duke Energy. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to suspend the second and third readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to adopt . Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 110-12. APPROVED 6-0.

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Monday, December 3 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, December 10 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, January 14 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:54 PM.

Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 8:50 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Date Approved _____

Mayor's Approval

2012

BEAUTIFUL FAIRFIELD
HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTEST



Beautiful Fairfield Introduction

- Friendly Competition – Home improvement
- Interior Remodeling, Exterior improvements and a green project award
- 6th year
- This year - two exterior and one interior renovation that was selected.

BEST REMODELING OR LANDSCAPE PROJECT -- RUNNER UP

Ron & Christy Puska

5373 Oakbrook Dr.

Before



After



BEST REMODELING OR LANDSCAPE PROJECT – RUNNER UP

Rebecca Howell

5363 Oakbrook Dr.



Before



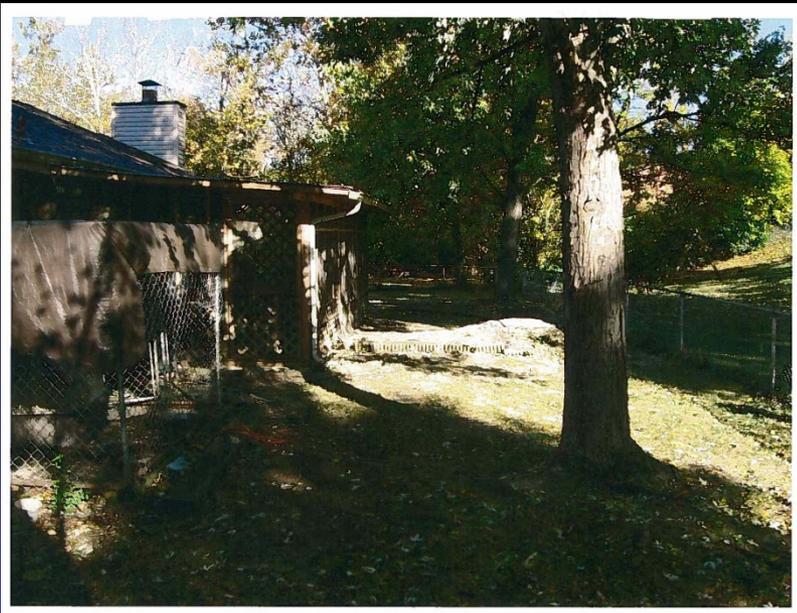
After

BEST REMODELING/LANDSCAPE PROJECT -- Winner

David & Vickie Keller

5634 Valley Forge Dr.

Before



After

