

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
APRIL 22, 2013

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 Holtegel led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Abbott, moved to excuse Councilmembers Senger and Oler. Motion carried 5-0.

Agenda Modifications

Executive Session Requests

Public Hearing(s)

Special Presentations and Citizen Comments

Arbor Day Proclamation

Councilmember Pennington presented the Arbor Day proclamation to Greg LuBuono, representing the Environmental Commission. Mr. LuBuono thanked the city for their support of Arbor Day and for taking great care of the city's trees.

David Brown, from the Butler County Auditor's Office, updated council on a fundraiser that the Auditor's Office did for the American Cancer Society. The office raised a total of \$4,000 for the cause. They are also supporting the Relay for Life in West Chester and encourage residents to support their local Relay for Life. Also, Homestead Exemption is due June 3 for those residents 65 years of age and older, permanently and totally disabled. Average savings is \$375. More information is on the website, www.butlercountyauditor.org.

Mayor/Council Reports

Councilmember Abbott reported on the joint Hamilton County and Warren County Municipal League meeting on Saturday. The topic will be House Bill 5, regarding income tax uniformity. It is at 8 AM at the Sharonville Convention Center.

Councilmember Pennington commented that the final Board & Commission appointments will be made tonight.

Councilmember Jones commented on the Reality Check program at the Fairfield Intermediate Building, sponsored by the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. He attended the program and thought it was a huge

success and very beneficial for teaching students about real life. He thanked Kert Radel for his work on the program.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2013

- The minutes of April 8, 2013 were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Jeff Holtegel, Chairman; Tim Abbott, Vice Chairman, Tim Meyers, Member

Ordinance to amend various sections of the Zoning Code of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Councilmember Holtegel, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to amend the ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Legislative Action: Councilmember Holtegel presented the third reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Holtegel, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to adopt . Motion Carried 5-0. ORDINANCE NO. 36-13. APPROVED 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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

Simple Motion: Boards & Commissions Appointments appoint the following residents to serve on Fairfield's Boards & Commissions effective April 1, 2013:

Councilmember Pennington, seconded by Councilmember Holtegel, moved to appoint Thomas Nault and Leslie Besl to the Environmental Commission and Cultural Arts Advisory Commission, respectively. Motion carried 5-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 10-13. APPROVED 5-0.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Jeff Holtegel, Chairman; Tim Abbott, Vice Chairman, Tim Meyers, Member

Ordinance to amend various chapters of the Building Code of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Councilmember Holtegel, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 5-0. Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to amend various chapters of the Building Code of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio. Legislative Action: Councilmember Holtegel presented the first reading of this ordinance.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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

Simple Motion: Motion to approve a liquor permit application in the name of MBS Gas, Inc., 5575 Dixie Highway, Fairfield, OH 45014 (Permit Classes: C1, C2 and D6).

Councilmember Pennington, seconded by Councilmember Abbott, moved to approve a liquor permit in the name of MBS Gas, Inc. Motion carried 5-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 11-13. APPROVED 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Fuller Ford, Inc. for the purchase of two (2) trucks and one (1) Ford Focus and declaring an emergency.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 5-0. Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended a contract with Fuller Ford, Inc. for the purchase of two trucks and one Ford Focus. The Ford Focus will be used by the meter readers, and is part of the effort to use more fuel-efficient vehicles when possible. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Jones moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to adopt . Motion Carried 5-0. ORDINANCE NO. 37-13. APPROVED 5-0.

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 GRW Engineers, Inc. for professional engineering services related to the design of the Pleasant Avenue Water Main Project.

Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 5-0. Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended a contract for professional engineering services for the Pleasant Avenue Water Main Project. This project was discussed in a previous Council-Manager Briefing and these services are the first step in starting the project. Legislative Action: Councilmember Jones presented the first reading of this ordinance.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

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

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to read the following two (2) ordinances and one (1) resolution by title only. Motion Carried 5-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Contractual Items) - \$86,887 for purchase of vehicles from Fuller Ford, Inc.; \$60,000 for engineering services related to the design of the Pleasant Avenue Water Main Project.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended the contractual appropriations to go along with the vehicle purchase previously approved and the engineering services that were just presented for first reading. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to adopt . Motion Carried 5-0. ORDINANCE NO. 38-13. APPROVED 5-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Non-Contractual Items) - \$9,475 for evidence drying cabinet for Police Department; \$7,400 for professional services for pressure washing Mack Road and part of Hunter Road water storage towers; \$13,600 for purchase of replacement UV lamps for Ultraviolet Disinfection System at Wastewater Treatment Plant; \$13,750 for purchase and installation of boiler tubes for Wastewater Treatment Plant's primary boiler; \$16,600 for purchase of chemicals to remove roots from public sewer lines; \$2,800 Flow Testing Services for water production wells; \$40,000 Engineering services for the Seward No. 1 Lift Station Relocation; \$15,000 Miscellaneous Traffic Signal Upgrades/Spare Parts; \$8,900 Purchase of a Z-Spray Intermediate 18 gallon Spray Tank, 220 lb. hydraulic spreader for the Golf Maintenance Division; \$13,600 Purchase of signs for William Harbin Park on Hunter Road.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended approval of the non-contractual appropriations. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 5-0. ORDINANCE NO. 39-13. APPROVED 5-0.

A Resolution opposing the Ohio General Assembly's Passage of House Bill 5, which would mandate measures resulting in the substantial loss of revenue to cities and declaring an emergency.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended a resolution opposing the passage of House Bill 5. This resolution will be used in meetings with state representatives to express the city's concerns with the bill. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 5-0. RESOLUTION 5-13. APPROVED 5-0.

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Monday, May 13 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 28 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, June 10 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:35 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council
Date _____

Mayor's Approval