

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

DECEMBER 14, 2009

Call to Order

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

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

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

Roll Call

Clerk Johns called the roll of Council. Present members were Councilmember Rhodus, Councilmember Meyers, Councilmember Judd, Councilmember Snyder, Councilmember Senger, and Councilmember Oler.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to excuse Councilmember Abbott. 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

Police Chief Mike Dickey introduced Officer John A. Vinskey and welcomed his family and friends. Councilmember Mike Oler performed the swearing in of Officer John A. Vinskey. Officer Vinskey thanked the Chief and the City for giving him this opportunity.

Mayor/Council Reports

Councilmember Meyers encouraged everyone to take an online quiz available on the city website, to help the Fairfield Fire Department receive a grant. He explained that the grant would be used for a fire extinguisher training simulator for public education classes. Fire Chief Don Bennett stated with the publicity we've gained we have quite an opportunity to get the numbers up there. Councilmember Snyder recognized Fairfield High School for their national recognition recently in the 2010 US News and World Report America's Best High School list. He commented only two schools in Butler County were on the list.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 7, 2009 were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, Section 1141.02, The City of Fairfield, Ohio, Zoning Map by approving the concept plan for the Patterson Drive Planned Unit Development.

Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Rhodus moved to Amend the Ordinance to remove the verbiage "and a final development plan". Councilmember Senger stated at a previous meeting we had identified that this was a final development plan, which it is not. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger presented the second reading of this ordinance. Ordinance approved for second reading only.

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to execute the FY 2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications and declaring an emergency.

Councilmember Senger presented the third reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 142-09 ADOPTED AS AN EMERGENCY 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Ordinance releasing the maintenance bond and accepting Public Improvements for Ross Road subdivision (Devonian Drive).

Councilmember Judd presented the third reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Judd, seconded by Councilmember Snyder moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 143-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a three (3) year contract with T.R. Gear Landscaping for the purpose of landscape care and maintenance of the State Route 4 Streetscape.

Councilmember Judd presented the third reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Judd, seconded by 0 moved to Adopt. Councilmember Meyers stated there are 70 to 80 jobs that are staying in Fairfield that are part of T.R. Gear. ORDINANCE NO. 144-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance releasing the maintenance bond and accepting public improvements for Heritage Manor Subdivision (Cody Court).

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

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Ordinance to amend various sections of the Traffic and General Offenses Codes of Ordinance No. 166-84, The Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Councilmember Oler presented the third reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 145-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Appropriation Ordinance (Reconcile Accounts) - See ordinance for details.

Councilmember Senger presented the second reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Suspend the rules requiring three readings of the ordinance. Motion Carried 5-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 146-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Non-Contractual Items) - \$38,500 purchase equipment for police vehicles (under existing contract).

Councilmember Senger presented the second reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to Suspend the rules requiring three readings of the ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Judd moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 147-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Simple Motion: Motion confirming the appointment of Councilmember Michael D. Snyder as Fairfield's representative on the Board of Directors of the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments for 2010.

Councilmember Snyder, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to confirm the appointment of Councilmember Michael D. Snyder as Fairfield's representative on the Board of Directors of the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments for 2010. Motion Carried 6-0.

Simple Motion: Motion approving the Council Committee Assignments for 2010 and 2011.

Councilmember Snyder, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to Approve the Council Committee Assignments for 2010 and 2011. Motion Carried 6-0.

Simple Motion: Simple Motion appointing Don Hassler and Public Works Director David Butsch to the TID Board, terms beginning retroactive to October 15, 2009 and ending on October 14, 2011.

Councilmember Snyder, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to appoint Don Hassler and Public Works Director David Butsch to the TID Board, terms beginning retroactive to October 15, 2009 and ending on October 14, 2011. Motion Carried 6-0.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Read the following three (3) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with CDW-Government for the purchase of hardware and software for the replacement of computer workstations and related equipment and declaring an emergency.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an agreement with CDW-Government for the purchase of hardware and software for the replacement of various computer equipment under our revised four year replacement schedule. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Suspend the rules requiring three readings of the ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. Councilmember Meyers expressed HIS appreciation to the Finance Director as well as Mr. Waldmann, the IT Manager for the extension of these computers which simply helps levy the costs and reduce overall operating costs. Mr. Meyers requested the review of the IT investment plan for following years during first quarter of next year. ORDINANCE NO. 148-09 ADOPTED AS AN EMERGENCY 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2010. (2010 Operating Budget)

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended the adoption of the 2010 budget. He stated the overall budget for all of our expenditures, the operating budget is just over 63 million dollars. He noted while revenue is projected to be down by 3.8%, the revenue will still exceed the operating budget expenditures. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Suspend the rules requiring three readings of the ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 149-09 ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Contractual Items) - \$62,753 computer hardware and software replacements for various city users.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended the following contractual appropriations: \$62,753 for computer hardware and software replacements for various city users. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to Suspend the rules requiring three readings of the ordinance.

Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to Adopt. ORDINANCE NO. 150-09
ADOPTED 6-0. Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Johns read the following meeting notices:

Wednesday, December 30 Oath of Office Ceremony, 7 p.m. at the Fairfield Community Arts Center
Monday, January 11 Council-Manager Briefing, 6 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Adjournment

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

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

Date