

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 23, 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. Present members were Councilmember Adam Jones, Councilmember Debbie Pennington, Councilmember Jeff Holtegel, Councilmember Terry Senger, Councilmember Mike Oler, and Councilmember Tim Meyers.

Councilmember Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Oler, moved to excuse Councilmember Abbott. Motion carried 6-0.

**Agenda Modifications**

**Executive Session Requests**

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Jones, moved for an Executive Session to discuss imminent litigation. Motion carried 6-0.

**Public Hearing(s)**

**Special Presentations and Citizen Comments**

**Proclamation - Bess-Arlene Camacho**

Mayor D'Epifanio presented Bess-Arlene Camacho with a proclamation and a key to the city to honor her for all of her achievements in her musical career and thank her for always being available to Fairfield for events.

Kert Radel, President of Fairfield Chamber of Commerce, announced that the Chamber Business Showcase and Luncheon will be held next week. This is the biggest networking event of the year and always well-attended. The Taste of Fairfield will follow in the evening. The event is open to the public. The City has reserved two tables for the luncheon and he thanked everyone for their support.

**Mayor/Council Reports**

Councilmember Meyers requested a mouse to use with each new laptop, instead of the touch pad.

Councilmember Senger reported that Fairfield Footlighters 2013/2014 season will begin with performances of "Barefoot in the Park" at the Community Arts Center, Friday through Sunday, September 27-29 and October 4-6. Also, the final Movies in the Park for this year will be Friday, October 4 at Village Green, featuring "Wreck It Ralph."

Councilmember Pennington announced that the Pennington family has welcomed a new arrival, Bryant

Pennington, born September 22 at 6:52 AM. He weighed 8 lbs, 20.5 inches long, and baby and mother are doing well. That gives the family five (5) grandchildren, three (3) girls and two (2) boys.

Councilmember Holtegel congratulated Councilmember Pennington on the new arrival.

Mayor D'Epifanio reported that the Heroes Ride was very successful, with approximately 600 bikes. He thanked Chief Bennett and the Fire Department employees that volunteered their time on their day off. He also thanked all the other volunteers for giving their time to help the ride be successful.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Regular Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2013

- The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2013 were approved as written

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

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

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 revised concept and final development plan for the Meijer-Gilmore Road Planned Unit Development.

Councilmember Holtegel explained that the second reading of this ordinance will be held until the Planning Commission's recommendation is received.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

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

Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Councilmember Mike Oler moved to read the following ordinance and resolution by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance accepting public improvements and releasing the maintenance bond for the Bluffs of Harbin Subdivision (Park Place).

Background: Acting City Manager Butsch recommended an ordinance to accept public improvements and release the maintenance bond for the Bluffs of Harbin Subdivision. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Resolution requesting the State of Ohio Director of Transportation to lower the speed limit on Pleasant Avenue (US 127) beginning at John Gray Road and ending at Hunter Road.

Background: Acting City Manager Butsch recommended a resolution to request that ODOT lower the speed limit on Pleasant Avenue, beginning at John Gray Road and ending at Hunter Road. He explained that the speed limit fluctuates throughout that stretch of road. It is currently posted at 50 mph. Legislative Action: Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmembers Meyers, Oler and Holtegel requested more information about this resolution before it is adopted. Staff will gather requested information and present to Council as soon as possible.

**PARKS, RECREATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**Terry Senger, Chairman; Adam Jones, Vice Chairman, Debbie Pennington, Member**

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Tim Meyers moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Fairfield Optimist Club, Inc. for the operation of an amateur soccer program.

Background: Acting City Manager Butsch recommended an agreement with Fairfield Optimist Club, Inc. for the operation of an amateur soccer program. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

**FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE**

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

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to read the following two (2) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 6-0.

Ordinance to reconcile accounts.

Background: Acting City Manager Butsch recommended an ordinance to reconcile accounts. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Tim Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 81-13. APPROVED 6-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Non-Contractual Items) - \$15,000 for grading of canal between Seward Road and Bypass 4; \$26,670 for Pleasant Run Creek Corridor Study.

Background: Acting City Manager Butsch recommended non-contractual appropriations of \$15,000 for the grading of the canal between Seward Road and Bypass 4 and \$26,670 for the Pleasant Run Creek Corridor Study. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Tim Meyers moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 6-0. Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to adopt . Motion Carried 6-0. ORDINANCE NO. 82-13. APPROVED 6-0.

**Meeting Schedule**

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Tuesday, October 15 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, October 28 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, November 11 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 7:25 PM.

**Adjournment**

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

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Council

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

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Mayor's Approval