

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 26, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Rausch at 7:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nevin Taylor, Deb Groat, Tracy Richardson, JR Rausch, Alan Seymour, Mark Reams and Henk Berbee.

OTHERS PRESENT: Finance Director Justin Nahvi, City Law Director Tim Aslaner, Chief Golden, Chief Riley, Public Service Director Michael Andrako, City Engineer Jeremy Hoyt, IT Director Aaron Story, City Planner Chad Flowers, and Clerk Kris Jones.

REPORTERS PRESENT: Will Channel- Journal Tribune

CITIZENS PRESENT: Jason Epp, Jason Sudy, Conor Willis, Rick Smith, Tim Schacht, Tonya Ramey,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes for the meetings on January 8, 2018 and January 22, 2018 were approved as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Mayor Rausch appointed Janelle Alexander to Parks & Recreation.

Chief Golden reported the following:

Municipal Pool Season Passes

Municipal Pool season passes are available for purchase at a 15% discount now through April 27. Currently, passes can only be purchased at City Hall, 209 S. Main St. between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. We hope to have the online purchase option available early next week.

Mr. Nahvi reported the following:

Finance Department

Income Tax Filings

The Finance Department will have extended hours to accommodate the processing of income tax filings on the following dates in advance of the April 17th due date:

- Saturday, April 7th from 9 am to 12 pm
- Saturday, April 14th from 9 am to 12 pm
- Wednesday, April 11th from 8 am to 7 pm
- Thursday, April 12th from 8 am to 7 pm

Mr. Andrako reported the following:

Public Service Department, Maintenance & Operations

Main St. Bridge Project

Main St Bridge is now closed and the Elwood Ave/Maple St intersection is now a 3-way stop. Police will assist with traffic control during the peak hours (7:00 am - 8:00 am and 2:30 pm -3:30 pm) for the next few days. Chief Golden added a thanks to the IT and Public Service Department for the camera at the intersection so they can monitor the area.

Pothole Repairs

Street crews continue work to repair potholes around the City. To report potholes email the Public Service Department at publicservice@marysvilleohio.org or call (937) 645-7350, option #2.

Water Main Replacement

Water crews prepare to begin water main replacement work on Plum St. from 6th St to 7th St.

REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL:

REPORT OF PLANNING COMMISSION AND DESIGN REVIEW BOARD: Mr. Schacht reported that Planning Commission did not have any agenda items and that they had a presentation from OHM on the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Schacht reported that Design Review Board meet and they had five agenda items, which were as follows:

1. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for building and site modifications at the existing McCarthy and Cox office Building located at 127 W 5th Street in the B-3 (Central Business District) Zoning District-approved.
2. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for new wall signage at Iron Tiger Martial Arts located at 113 N Main Street in the B-3 (Central Business District) Zoning District- withdrawn by applicant.
3. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for new wall signage at Metro PCS located at 312 E 5th Street in the B-3 (Central Business District) Zoning District –approved.
4. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for building and site modifications at the existing Pulse Yoga / Fitness Building located at 116 1/2 S Main Street in the B-3 (Central Business District) Zoning District –approved.

5. Exterior Plan/Landscape Plan: An application to construct a new 48 unit three-story multi-family building at 173-243 Professional Parkway in the R-5 (High Density Multi-family District) Zoning District-approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mr. Berbee mentioned that Finance Committee met twice this month once on February 13th to discuss the school compensation plan and Mr. Taylor will be addressing that issue tonight during the meeting. They also had a meeting on February 22nd. He mentioned there was a citizen that came to the meeting wanting to know what we could do for 1st Responders and Military in regards to income tax break. Mr. Berbee stated is it not something the City is able to do because of the rules in the ORC. They discussed changing the policy for mobile home billing and it will be coming to Council, they started discussions on the five year forecast, and approved the monthly financial statements.

Mrs. Groat reported that Public Affairs/Safety met tonight. They were introduced to Andy Evans, the new Urban Forester. He shared some of his ideas for the tree planting for the bicentennial like planting groups of trees for the bicentennial and having markers made for them. She is excited about this project. She said they spent a majority of the time talking about on Street Parking. The meeting finished up by discussing indigent burials and it was unanimously agreed that the fee would be raised from \$750.00 to \$1,000.00 for the funeral homes.

PARKS & RECREATION REPORT: Mr. Reams reported that Parks & Rec met and discussed two agenda items the first being the replacement of the Lewis Park playground structure and the second was an introduction into the Active Transportation Plan, which will be coming to Public Service. Mrs. Richardson asked if there is a fundraiser for the Skate Park being started and Mr. Reams indicated there is a non-profit group looking for donations circulating on Facebook.

HEARING OF CITIZENS: Dr. Rick Smith, the superintendent at Ohio Hi-Point Career Center. He talked to Council about the levee they are putting on the ballot this May to increase programs and remodel the building to accommodate more students. He said the millage for the levee will be .06 and it will be about \$22.00 per \$100,000 home a year. The last time they were on the ballot, it was in 1977. He said he would like to keep this levee small and keep off the ballot (see attached handout).

OHM gave the attached presentation to Council regarding the Comprehensive Plan and explained that they would go into more detail on Saturday at the retreat.

Administration Comments: Mr. Aslaner explained this is to update the code to the website and codify all the legislation that was passed in the last six months.

Council Comments:

Mr. Seymour moved to pass the Emergency Clause and the question put, stood:

Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES; Mrs. Richardson YES; Mr. Rausch YES;
Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES

1st Reading ORDINANCE TO APPROVE DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND
Title Only RESTRICTIONS FOR 33 INNOVATION PARK AND TO DIRECT THE FILING AT THE
UNION COUNTY RECORDER’S OFFICE OF SAID DECLARATION TO BE AN
ENCUMBRANCE AGAINST THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE
DECLARATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Administration Comments: Mr. Hoyt gave the attached presentation.

Council Comments: The Council discussed why the permit process with the City and County cannot be the same amount of time. Mr. Hoyt stated that they will be glad to walk through the permits to the County once there is a buyer, so nothing gets held up. Mrs. Richardson asked if the covenants had been brought to a Council Committee already and the answer was yes, Public Affairs.

Mr. Taylor moved to pass the Emergency Clause and the question put, stood:

Mrs. Groat YES; Mrs. Richardson YES; Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES;
Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES; Mr. Taylor YES

Mr. Taylor moved to waive 3rd reading and the question put, stood:

Mrs. Richardson YES; Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES;
Mr. Berbee YES; Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES

2nd Reading AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED
Public Hearing \$1,900,000 IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ACQUIRING, DESIGNING, IMPROVING AND CONSTRUCTING VARIOUS PUBLIC
SERVICE RELATED PROJECTS; AND RETIRING NOTES PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FOR SUCH
PURPOSE; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS; AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STREET TREE FUND
Public Hearing (FUND 224) ALONG WITH THE CITY’S SAFETY-WELLNESS PROGRAM AND
MODIFYING THE 2018 ANNUAL BUDGET

Administration Comments:

Council Comments: Mrs. Richardson asked what the wellness money would be used for. Mr. Nahvi explained it has been used towards the employee wellness program for gift cards and exercise equipment/lockers. The dollars being used are dollars that came back as a rebate to the City from the Ohio Bureau of Workman’s Compensation .

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE WATERFORD ESTATES WATER MAIN AND
Public Hearing SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD SECTION 4
Public Hearing WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE EVERSOLE RUN NEIGHBORHOOD SECTION
Public Hearing 1, PHASE 1 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE EVERSOLE RUN NEIGHBORHOOD SECTION
Public Hearing 4 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE EVERSOLE RUN NEIGHBORHOOD SECTION
Public Hearing 5 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

2nd Reading ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF THE EVERSOLE RUN NEIGHBORHOOD SECTION 6
Public Hearing WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

3rd Reading TO AMEND SECTION 931.01(K), BILLS AND PAYMENTS FOR SERVICE, AND
Title Only SECTION 141.06(I) RETURN AND PAYMENT OF TAX, OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Mr. Reams moved to pass the legislation and the question put, stood:

Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES;
Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES; Mrs. Richardson YES

3rd Reading AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDED
Title Only AND RESTATED SCHOOL COMPENSATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY AND THE MARYSVILLE EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL
DISTRICT IN CONNECTION WITH THE COLEMAN'S CROSSING/CITY
GATE TIF; AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS

Administration Comments: Mr. Taylor explained that the Finance Committee reviewed the TIF's and the request from the schools for additional compensation, however, the Finance Committee believes that at this time is not the right time to increase the compensation for the schools because of infrastructure that is still needed in both of the TIF areas and with increasing the schools compensation it will put a burden on the City to find the money to fix the infrastructure instead of the TIF fixing it. The Finance Committee did agree to revisit this item in 4-5 years. Mrs. Richardson asked if the schools had been contacted about the decision to change our recommendation. Mr. Rausch indicated that he had reached out to the schools.

Council Comments:

Mr. Taylor moved to table this item indefinitely and the question put, stood:

Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee Abstain; Mr. Taylor YES;
Mrs. Groat YES; Mrs. Richardson YES; Mr. Rausch NO

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER AND COUNCIL PERSONS AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Chief Golden asked people if they do not have to travel through the Main Street bridge detour area during school times, please do not.

Mrs. Richardson talked about responsible beverage training to help reduce liability. The training shows you what to watch for when serving someone to know if they have had too much. She stated there were over 300 applications submitted for dispensaries and only 60 applications will be awarded. They have not been decided yet. Public Service will meet tomorrow February 27th at 5pm and also on March 12th at 5:30. She finished up her comments with announcing a town hall meeting for the SR 31 project on March 7th from 6pm -8pm.

Mrs. Groat announced the Ward 3 meeting will be on March 6th at that Marysville Public Library meeting room B from 6:30pm to 8pm. She also thanked Ms. Alexander for her willingness to serve on the Parks & Rec commission.

Mr. Berbee announced February is heart disease awareness month and it is the number one killer in Union County. He encouraged everyone to attend the Heart Health Talk with Dr. Donnally and Dr. Brinkman in Council Chambers on February 28th.

Mr. Reams said the tragedy of the school shooting in Florida where 17 people lost their lives, has created a large debate about gun laws, however, 15 people a day are dying from Opioid Addiction. We need to start talking about it. Mrs Richardson agreed.

Mr. Seymour wished Mr. Andrako and his team good luck and keeping up with the potholes. He also mentioned that the growth in Marysville will also need expansions for fire and police, and it is not too soon to start thinking of them.

Mr. Taylor talked about the citizen that came into Finance Committee about the deduction for first responders and military and stated that while they cannot do anything they understood where he is coming from.

Mr. Rausch reported that the City is now starting to hire for summer help. He also mentioned to Council that they were given some homework prior to the retreat this weekend on items to review.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31pm.