

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**August 26, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rausch at 7:00 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Collin Tanner.

The invocation was given by Mayor Rausch.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nevin Taylor, Deborah Groat, Scott Brock, J. R. Rausch, Alan Seymour, Mark Reams, and Henk Berbee.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** *City Manager Terry Emery, Finance Director Justin Nahvi, Law Director Tim Aslaner, Police Deputy Chief Bo Spain, Fire Chief Jay Riley, Public Service Director Mike Andrako, City Engineer Jeremy Hoyt, City Planner Ashley Gaver, IT Director Aaron Story, Economic Development Eric Phillips, Clerk of Council Rebecca Dible, George Tanner, Heidi Tanner, Collin Tanner, Lainie Menge, Joni Balo, Michelle Anderson, Emily Berry, Mary Beverlin, Crystal Dotson, Scott Zwiezinski, Mike Lynch, Joh Bingman, Remini Roush, Kelsey Dye, The Neer Family, Kathy Young, Emilia Jost, Bill Epping, Jennie Epping, Steve Peck, Tony Eufinger, Bobb Alloway, Aaron Carpenter, Anna Johnson & Family, and Cheralene Stanley.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Taylor moved to approve the August 12, 2019 minutes as presented; affirmative voice vote was unanimous.

Mayor Rausch recognized the following persons in regard to Childhood Cancer Awareness Angel Devon Burk & his family, Joni & Brooke Balo, Collin Tanner & his family, Haylee Saylor & her family, Emily Berry for Evan Applefeller, Mary Beverlin for Andrew Beverlin, Brynnley Neer & her family, Marley Phillips & her family, Carol Neer for Friends of Faith Pruden, Michelle Anderson for NC4K, Jennifer Falcon with Honda Marysville, Rylee Cavins, and Angel Corey Hoehn & his family.

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Mayor Rausch gave the following:

**PROCLAMATION:**

**Whereas**, childhood cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in children; and

**Whereas**, 1 in 285 children in the United States will be diagnosed by their 20th birthday; and

**Whereas**, 43 children per day or 15,780 children are diagnosed with cancer annually in the U.S.; and

**Whereas**, there are approximately 40,000 children on active treatment at any given time; and

**Whereas**, the average age of diagnosis is 6 years old, compared to 66 years for adults' cancer diagnosis; and

**Whereas**, on average there's been a 0.6 percent increase in incidence per year since the mid 1970's resulting in an overall incidence increase of 24 percent over the last 40 years; and

**Whereas**, two-thirds of childhood cancer patients will have chronic health conditions as a result of their treatment toxicity, with one quarter being classified as severe to life-threatening; and

**Whereas**, approximately one half of childhood cancer families rate the associated financial toxicity due to out-of-pocket expenses as considerable to severe; and

**Whereas**, in the last 20 years only four new drugs have been approved by the FDA to specifically treat childhood cancer; and

**Whereas**, hundreds of non-profit organizations at the local and national level, including the Friends of Faith Pruden Foundation and Nellie's Champions for Kids, are helping children with cancer and their families cope through educational, emotional and financial support; and

**Whereas**, researchers and healthcare professionals work diligently dedicating their expertise to treat and cure children with cancer; and

**Whereas**, too many children are affected by this deadly disease and more must be done to raise awareness and find a cure:

Now, Therefore, I, J.R. Rausch, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, on behalf of a concerned community, want to take this opportunity to support this cause that so deeply impacts families in every community across our country, hereby recognizing September 2019, as

***CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH***

In Marysville in order to help raise awareness of pediatric cancer and its victims and encourage our residents to recognize the impact of pediatric cancer on families within our community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Marysville, Ohio to be hereto affixed this 26th day of August, 2019.

J.R. Rausch, Mayor  
City of Marysville

Mr. Berbee moved the proclamation be recorded in full in the meeting minutes, was seconded by Mr. Reams, and the question put, stood: unanimous voice vote in the affirmative.

Mayor Rausch then recognized foreign exchange student, Amelia from Germany.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

*Mr. Emery reported the following:*

**Events & Recreation**

**Dog Swim**

The annual Dog Swim will be held on Tuesday, September 3 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Marysville Municipal Pool. Admission is \$5.00 per dog. Half of the proceeds will benefit the Union County Humane Society.

**Movie in the Park**

Movie in the Park will be held at Partners Park on Saturday, September 14. The featured movie, Mary Poppins Returns, will start at dusk.

**Adventure at Aldersgate Park**

Adventure at Aldersgate Park takes place on Sunday, September 15 from 1 – 5 pm. Activities will include:

- Small watercraft safety
- Fishing basics and review
- Archery 101

Participants must be between 13 and 19 years of age (maximum of 50 participants). To register visit the City's website or Facebook page.

**Fire Division**

**9/11 Remembrance Ceremony**

The 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, September 11 at Decker Fire Station (16300 County Home Rd.). The Ceremony begins at 9:50 a.m.

*Mr. Hoyt reported the following:*

**Engineering Department**

Construction updates:

- Paving Program - Striping is anticipated to be completed this week (weather permitting)
- West 5th Street Improvements - Concrete work and electrical installation continues on north side.
- Columbus Ave Stormwater - Sewer installation is complete. Grading and seeding continue.
- Plum Street Improvements - All paving operations are complete at this time. However, Plum Street will not re-open until the bridge fencing is installed (likely next week). The street lighting and electric service are pending and will not be energized until DP&L moves the poles on 11th Street.
- Morey Park - The temporary irrigation is running and we are waiting on permanent electric.

**REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL:**

None

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT:**

Councilman Reams stated the Commission reviewed the progress of the 2019 park & recreation projects.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:**

*Ms. Menge reported the following:*

1. Property Owner: Connolly Construction Applicant: Bobb Alloway, Alloway Real Estate Holdings, LLC Location: Parcel # 2900190800020 Request: To hear a Planned Unit Development (PUD) application for Development Plan approval for a +/- 14.03 acre multi-family development.  
Vote: 7-0; Conditions; Approved with comments

**DESIGN REVIEW BOARD REPORT:**

*Mr. Lynch reported the following:*

1. Exterior Plan/Landscape Plan: An application for a proposed new commercial business (Friendship Kitchen) located at Cooks Pointe Blvd (Sub Area D2) in a Planned Unit Development.  
Vote: 5-0 Conditions: Approved with conditions
2. Home Improvement Reimbursement Grant Application: An application for building improvements located at 1849 Deer Crossing Drive in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zoning district.  
Vote: Mr. Gehman: 5-0 Conditions: Approved
3. Home Improvement Reimbursement Grant Application: An application for building improvements located at 615 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zoning district.  
Vote: 5-0 Conditions: Approved
4. Home Improvement Reimbursement Grant Application: An application for building improvements located at 123 E. 5th Street in the U-C (Uptown Commercial) zoning district.  
Vote: 5-0 Conditions: Tabled
5. Home Improvement Reimbursement Grant Application: An application for building improvements located at 429 Hickory Drive in the R-1 (Low Density Residential) zoning district.  
Vote: Mr. Lynch: 5-0 Conditions: Approved
6. Certification of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for a new fence at 113 S. Main Street in the U-C (Uptown Commercial) zoning district.  
Vote: Mr. Lynch: 6-0 Conditions: Approved
7. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic District: An application for new signage at 127 W. 5th Street in the U-C (Uptown Commercial) zoning district.  
Vote: Mr. Lynch: 5-0 Conditions: Approved with conditions
8. Certificate of Appropriateness in the Historic Design Review District: An application for new signage and exterior improvements at 318 E. 5th Street in the U-C (Uptown Commercial) zoning district.  
Vote: Mr. Schacht: 6-0 Conditions: Approved with conditions
9. Exterior Plan/Landscape Plan: An application for proposed new apartments (Maryway Apartments) located at Woodside off Columbus Avenue in a Planned Unite Development.  
Vote: Mr. Garrett: 6-0 Conditions: Tabled

**PUBLIC SAFETY/SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Councilman Seymour stated the Committee was discussing ways to proceed with the Connie Patterson Beautification Program. They had also asked for more information regarding low speed vehicles and would be discussing these items further at the next meeting

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Councilman Taylor said Mr. Nahvi’s figures showed the City was on target for the most part. He also stated the 2020 Budget Review was coming up and the procedures and timeframe would follow the same process as the previous year. He asked for all Councilmen to email all budget questions to the Finance Committee Chair, City Manager, and Finance Director to ensure everyone was on the same page.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS:**

Mr. Zwiezinski invited Council to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blessings in a Backpack Golf Scramble to be held at The Ridge Golf and Gardens on September 29, 2019.

Mr. Eufinger spoke highly of the Bicentennial Event and noted special appreciation for the Noah Orr artwork. He also spoke highly of the hanging lights on 5<sup>th</sup> Street and asked Council to consider leaving them up year-round.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

One Reading TO ACCEPT THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET  
Only COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZE THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFY THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

Administration Comments: Mr. Nahvi explained this legislation was a typical process which occurred each year.

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

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

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

**ORDINANCES:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 2900190800020 TOTALING 14.03 ACRES, MORE OR LESS,  
Title Only FROM TRAFFIC ORIENTED COMMERCIAL (TOC) TO A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT  
(PUD) ON PROPERTY LOCATED OFF 5. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BEHIND KROGER MARKETPLACE

Administration Comments: Ms. Gaver introduced Mr. Peck to Council and he gave a PowerPoint presentation (Attachment A).

Council Comments: Mrs. Groat asked for more specific information on the square footage and price points of the development and asked if the screening between the development and Kroger Marketplace was sufficient. Mr. Taylor gave feedback regarding the name of the proposed development and also confirmed with Safety Services that the proposed ingress and egress would be sufficient. Mr. Seymour gave feedback regarding the tree landscaping and asked for a tree survey. Mr. Berbee & Mrs. Groat spoke to the Home Owners Association and the proposed fees. Mr. Brock noted that the preexisting pipeline had held back the design of the community and confirmed the community would be gated. Mr. Reams asked for clarification regarding the property line along MacIvor Woods; the developer stated they would report back at the following meeting. Mr. Reams was uncomfortable that the development was presented as owner-occupied without it being an official requirement.

Back for second reading, public hearing on Monday, September 9, 2019.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading TO AMEND CHAPTER 941, CEMETERY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY  
Public Hearing OF MARYSVILLE, IN RELATION TO COLUMBARIA

Administration Comments:

Council Comments: Mr. Taylor noted the Cemetery Advisory Board was looking forward to the passage of the legislation.

Citizen Comments:

Back for third reading, title only on Monday, September 9, 2019.

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading TO AUTHORIZE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO FUND A SCHOOL RESOURCE  
Title Only OFFICER AND MODIFY THE 2019 ANNUAL BUDGET

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen 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; Mr. Brock YES.

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading Title Only TO ACCEPT THE DEDICATION OF THE KEYSTONE CROSSING SUBDIVISION, SECTION 2 PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Administration Comments:

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments

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

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

**COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER, COUNCILMEN, AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Each of the Councilmen gave overwhelming accolades to all who were involved with the City’s Bicentennial Celebration. In addition to the exceptional feedback regarding the Bicentennial, specific Councilmen made the following comments:

Mrs. Groat announced the Ward-3 Meeting at the Marysville Public Library, Meeting Room B on Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30pm-8pm, to which all citizens were invited.

Mr. Taylor asked everyone to take a moment of silence at 9:50 a.m. on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Rausch stated Marysville had lost James “Jim” Westfall and Dr. John Evans recently and they would be greatly missed. Mayor Rausch also said that \$18,000 had been raised for the Blackie’s Gang Recovery and fundraising efforts would continue.

*He also announced the following:*

- September 3, 2019 Council Work Session – **CANCELLED**
- September 9, 2019 Council Meeting will be held.
- September 16, 2019 Finance Committee/Special Council Meeting will take place at 6 p.m. at the Court/Police facility and would be a 2019 Budget session.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to take before Council, Mr. Taylor moved to adjourn at 8:19 p.m.; the voice vote in favor was unanimous.