

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**March 12, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Councilmen Reams at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Fogt, Mrs. Groat, Mr. Reams, Mr. Berbee  
Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Richardson and Mr. Rausch were excused.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mayor John Gore, Director of Administration Terry Emery, Finance Director Jenny Chavarria, Police Chief Floyd Golden, Fire Chief Jay Riley, Public Service Director Mike Andrako, City Engineer Jeremy Hoyt, Assistant Law Director John Eufinger, and Clerk Kristina Jones

**REPORTERS PRESENT:** Taylor Evans-Journal Tribune

**CITIZENS PRESENT:** Eric Phillips, Janell Alexander, Derek Vickers, Donald Boerger, Scott Zwiezinski

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** There being no additions or corrections, the minutes for the meeting on February 26, 2014 were approved as written.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

Mr. Reams told Council there will be an Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss the following: to discuss the purchase of property for public purpose and to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans of an applicant for economic development assistance with no action being taken. Mr. Reams told Council that they will vote on this at the end of the meeting.

Mayor Gore reported the following:

### **Finance Department**

**Income Tax Assistance:** Finance staff are available to provide City Income Tax assistance Monday through Friday, 8:00 am- 5:00 pm. Special after-hours/dates will be available on:

- Saturday, April 11, 2015 (9:00 am -12:00 pm)
- Tuesday, April 14, 2015 (5:00 pm-7:00 pm)
- Wednesday, April 15, 2015 (5:00 pm-7:00 pm)

The City will provide assistance at the Customer Service Counter located in City Hall, 209 South Main Street. For further Income Tax information or assistance, please call the Income Tax Division at (937) 645-7350 or visit our office.

## **Division of Police**

The Marysville Division of Police sponsored a Women's Self Defense class this evening (March 11) and tomorrow evening (March 12) at the Police and Court Facility.

## **Maintenance & Operations**

City Streets crews are working to fill potholes now that the snow and ice have melted. To report potholes email [publicservice@marysvilleohio.org](mailto:publicservice@marysvilleohio.org) or call (937)645-7350 option #5.

The City has responded to four snow/ice events since the last Council meeting on February 26, 2015. During these recent snow events, we used 271 tons of salt. For the season, we have used 1,631 tons of salt. At this time last year, we had used 2,770 tons of salt.

The County Building Dept. has approved the permits for the McCarthy Park shelter and the new restroom installation at Lewis Park. The City is now working to get a contractor on board and will begin construction on these projects soon.

Pool passes are now on sale. The City is offering a 15% discount on passes purchased before April 15, 2015.

**Tree Removal:** In an effort to address tree concerns early this year, the City is asking that residents who may have a tree in poor or failing health to email [publicservice@marysvilleohio.org](mailto:publicservice@marysvilleohio.org) or call (937)645-7350 option #5 and request the tree to be assessed. The City will identify the tree and, if determined to be in poor or failing health, will remove it and grind the stump at no cost to the resident.

The City is asking that all requests for tree assessments be made prior to April 15 to allow City crews to perform the work before other seasonal activities begin to take place.

## **Engineering**

The contractor bids for the 4th and 5th Street Waterline Project will be opened Monday afternoon. At this time, nine (9) contractors have indicated interest in bidding this project.

The City is working on finalizing the pavement ratings, which will determine the scope of the 2015 Pavement Maintenance Program. These results will be shared with the Public Service Committee at the March 16, 2015 meeting.

Today, we received plans for the US 36 Resurfacing Project that show the proposed improvements at the US-36 / SR 4 and Collins Avenue intersection.

These plans show five (5) lanes in comparison to the three (3) existing lanes at this intersection:

Northbound left turn lane  
Northbound straight and right turn lane  
Southbound left turn lane  
Southbound straight  
Southbound right turn lane

The plans will be reviewed at Monday evening's Public Service Committee meeting.

### **Administration**

**Partners Park Ribbon Cutting:** The Partners Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. in the Memorial Health Pavilion.

**REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL:** No report.

**REPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Phillips had no report but was in attendance to answer any questions. Mr. Fogt said he went to the Chamber of Commerce meeting this morning. He said we draw all these people to Central Ohio and places like Toledo and Youngstown are losing population. He said they are talking about adding another 500,000 to 1,000,000 people to Central Ohio by 2050, which would cause us tremendous growing pains. He said from his point of view he would like to see jobs created in Toledo and Youngstown, to spread the wealth out. And this would cause us less growing pains in Central Ohio. Mr. Phillips said he agrees with Mr. Fogt a 100% that we are growing at a much faster rate, and it is estimated that by 2050, 3 out of 5 people that move to Ohio will move into Central Ohio. He said it is good that we are doing well but we need to keep the rest of Ohio up too.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS:** Mr. Galloway introduced himself as the Scout Master for Boy Scout Troop 355. Troop 355 was in attendance for the meeting.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

A resolution "AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO COOPERATE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING OF US-36 FROM CHAMPAIGN COUNTY LINE TO COLLINS ROAD", was presented for third reading, title only.

Mrs. Groat moved to pass the legislation and the question put, stood:

Mrs. Groat YES;      Mr. Reams YES;      Mr. Berbee YES;      Mr. Fogt YES

A resolution "TO AMEND COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE" was presented for one reading only.

**Comments from Public Affairs Committee:** Mrs. Groat explained the suggested amendment to the Council Rules of Procedure. Mr. Reams suggested that they pass each amendment separately. Mrs. Groat said she would get with President Taylor and Mrs. Jones to get them separated.

Mrs. Groat moved to table this resolution to March 26, 2015 and the question put, stood:

Mr. Reams YES;      Mr. Berbee YES;      Mr. Fogt YES;      Mrs. Groat YES

Mr. Berbee explained the difference between a resolution and ordinance for the Boy Scout Troop that was in attendance.

**ORDINANCES:**

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1123.01(B)(1), INTERPRETATION AND MEANINGS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for third reading, public hearing.

**Citizen Comments:** No Comments.

**Council Comments:** No Comments.

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

Mr. Berbee YES;      Mr. Fogt YES;      Mrs. Groat YES;      Mr. Reams YES

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1135.23(A), SPECIAL DISTRICT ONE (SD1), OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for second reading, public hearing.

**Citizen Comments:** No Comments.

**Council Comments:** No Comments.

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

Mr. Fogt YES;      Mrs. Groat YES;      Mr. Reams YES;      Mr. Berbee YES

An ordinance “TO AMEND CHAPTER 110, FACILITY COSTS AND CITY FEES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE” was presented for second reading, public hearing.

**Citizen Comments:** None.

**Council Comments:** Mr. Fogt mentioned he was not in favor of the break in price for the Partners.

Back for third reading, title only on March 26, 2015.

An ordinance “TO AMEND SECTION 529.07(B)(3) OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES” was presented for second reading, public hearing.

**Citizen Comments:** None.

**Council Comments:** None.

Back for third reading, title only on March 26, 2015.

An ordinance “TO ACCEPT THE DEDICATION OF THE SCOTTS FARMS, SECTION 4, PHASE 3 SITE DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENTS” was presented for first reading, title only.

**Administration Comments:** Mr. Hoyt said this is just getting the maintenance and acceptance for the development.

**Council Comments:** None.

Back for second reading, public hearing on March 26, 2015.

**PARKS & RECREATION REPORT:** No report.

**COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PERSONS AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Mayor Gore explained to the Boy Scout Troop that this is very unusual that we only have four Council Members. Mayor Gore said you are the future of this community, and we are all here if you have any questions. Mayor Gore said any time you want to tour City Hall, contact my office and we will make sure that happens for you.

Mr. Fogt welcomed Boy Scout Troop 355 and told them to please come back anytime you have a concern.

Mrs. Groat explained that four out of the seven council members are Ward representatives. She then explained the difference between at-large Council members and ward Council members to the Boy Scout Troop in attendance. Mrs. Groat said Exterior Property and Maintenance Committee is starting this summer and just a reminder to Mr. Fogt, and she will also remind Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Richardson when they get back. She said the Wards have a competition for the most improved exterior property. Mrs. Groat thanked the Streets Department, not just for the snow and weather treatment, but for the pothole treatments in the last couple of weeks.

Mr. Berbee spoke to the Boy Scout Troop about the timing of the passing of ordinances. He explained the first reading, second reading and third reading and the 30day wait period before it is passed into law. He explained that it takes 2 and half months before something is passed into law. Mr. Berbee said he went to the Honda evening dinner, and there were several introductions on how great it was to work with the City of Marysville. He said sometimes you make decisions and you do not know what the outcome is going to be. He got with Mrs. Jones and found out who made those decisions in 2002. He said prior to 2002 the City of Marysville had not done a TIF financing before. Those members that were brave enough to make that decision were Mayor Gore, he was President of Council; Mr. Fogt, Ms. Barb Bushong, Mr. John Marshall, Mr. Reams, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Pleasant. He said if you look back over the last 13 years at the end result. We now have two hospitals, Wal-Mart, Meijer, Honda going from 32 employees to well over 100 employees. He said look at the good job that you did, by taking the chance. He commended all involved for having the foresight and taking that chance by going out on a limb.

Mr. Reams said next week is a busy week. We have the Public Services Committee meeting Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm, and Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm the Finance Committee will meet and the Ribbon Cutting at Partners Park on Friday. Mr. Reams gave the Boy Scout Troop an assignment to find two potholes and two streetlights that are out and report them back to the City and see how fast they get fixed.

Mr. Berbee made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the purchase of property for public purpose and to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans of an applicant for economic development assistance, with no action being taken. Mrs. Groat seconded the motion, question put, stood:

Mrs. Groat YES;      Mr. Reams YES;      Mr. Berbee YES;      Mr. Fogt YES

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. to Executive Session. Council came out of Executive Session at 8:40pm and adjourned the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m.