

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Taylor at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

REPORTERS PRESENT: Taylor Evans-Journal Tribune

CITIZENS PRESENT: Robin Lincoln, Beth Trigg, Angie Reese, Parker Reese, Nancy Daniels, Eric Phillips

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes for the meeting on July 23, 2015 were approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mayor Gore reported the following:

Division of Police

Marysville Division of Police held a women's self-defense class on August 6 with twenty trainees. A second class is being held this evening with an enrollment of twenty trainees.

The Union County Sheriff's Office, Acrux Security and the Marysville Division of Police have been conducting ALICE training this week for new staff at Fairbanks, St. John's Lutheran, Marysville, and North Union Schools. Union Rural Electric staff received the training earlier today, and Marysville High School Staff will have a review of the training tomorrow.

Maintenance & Operations

Street crews have been repainting the stop bars and crosswalks and other pavement striping around town. This work is being performed at night to limit the impact on traffic.

A new Adaptive Play Structure has been purchased for Mill Valley South Park using Parkland Development Funding. The playground installation is expected to be performed in September.

Engineering

2015 Pavement Maintenance Program: Paving began today starting on Meadows Dr. Apple Dr, Emmaus Rd, Brookstone Dr and Mill Park Dr. will be paved by tomorrow (Friday 8/14), weather permitting. The remaining streets will be paved in September. The date for substantial completion of this year's project is September 30, 2015.

Amrine Mill Culvert: The roadway is back open in time for school activities. Remaining items include topsoil, seeding and guardrail installation; these items will have little to no impact on traffic.

4th & 5th Street Waterline: Curb installation is occurring on the south side of 4th St. starting at Grove St. and extending to Court St. Waterline is being installed on E. 5th St. and work to connect residents to the new line will occur next week.

Events & Recreation

Tomorrow from 11 am-1 pm is the City's Annual Employee Appreciation Picnic at American Legion Park. The event, funded entirely by Executive Staff, is a way to show our appreciation for all City employees and their hard work.

Thursday, August 20 from 6:00-9:00 pm is the next Music on Main event, featuring entertainment by The Lucky Penny Sisters. Concessions by Lucasey's and Uptown Steakhouse.

Beginning Monday, August 17, the Municipal Pool will be closed during the week. The pool will be open from noon-8 pm on Saturday's and Sundays through Sunday, August 30, the last operational pool day for the summer.

The Annual Dog Swim is Monday, August 31, at the Municipal Pool from 5:00- 7:00 pm. Admission is \$5.00 per dog; all proceeds go to the Union County Humane Society.

REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL: We received a request to transfer a liquor license from Krishna Enterprise Ltd., DBA North Main Short Stop, located at 546 North Main Street to North Main Street Short Stop LLC at the same address. They are transferring a C1, C2, and D6. C1 is beer only in original sealed containers for carryout only. C2 is wine and mixed beverages in sealed containers for carryout. D6 is the sale of intoxicating liquor on Sunday between the hours of 10:00 am or 11:00am and midnight. Chief Golden and Council had no objections.

REPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Phillips was available to answer any questions.

HEARING OF CITIZENS: Park Reese introduced his mother, Angela Reese. He explained that he is attending the meeting to work on a Boy Scout badge.

Beth Trigg with Family Promise of Delaware County. She explained that their program helps homeless families. The program helps families obtain a job within two –three weeks and affordable housing within 30 to 60 days. She explained that they do help out people from Union County as well. Mrs. Richardson thanked Ms. Trigg and Ms. Lincoln for serving Union County. We are not always aware as a community that there are people that are in need.

RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL CHAPTER 733 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, was presented for second reading, public hearing.

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

Back for third reading, title only on August 27, 2015.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, AND MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL BUDGET, was presented for second reading, public hearing.

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

Back for third reading, title only on August 27, 2015.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO GRANT TO THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AN EASEMENT, was presented for second reading, public hearing.

Council Comments:

Citizen Comments:

Back for third reading, title only on August 27, 2015.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO GRANT THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AN EASEMENT, was presented for first reading, title only.

Administration Comments: Mayor Gore said the easement that they are asking for is valued at \$8,700.00. He said there was an internal discussion about it and they are investing \$ 1.9 million in a bridge replacement. Mrs. Richardson added that this item will be on the Public Service agenda for the August 18th meeting. Mrs. Richardson said she did notice in the temporary easement that there was a \$133.00 fee that we did not waive. Mr. Hoyt said the intent would be to waive that, the temporary easement is to connect a water line that is connected to the water plant. Mr. Reams questioned where the easement was located. Mr. Hoyt said the easement is on each side of the bridge. Mr. Reams asked if the Jim Simmons trail was going to be impacted. Mr. Hoyt said it might be during the construction of the bridge.

Council Comments:

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PARKS & RECREATION REPORT: Mr. Rausch said the next meeting will be August 18th and the five year capital improvement plan is on the agenda for the Finance Meeting on August 20th.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PERSONS AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Mayor Gore encouraged everyone to attend the balloon rally festival. He said we have 400 hotel rooms in Marysville and all of them are sold out.

Mr. Berbee explained the difference between a City and Village for Mr. Reese. Finance Committee will meet Thursday, August 20th.

Mr. Reams asked Mr. Reese who the Jim Simmons trail was named after.

Mrs. Groat said Public Affairs will meet August 24th at 6:00pm. There are two topics on the agenda for this meeting: banning dogs in Partners Park and prohibiting the use of electronic cigarettes on City owned properties.

Mr. Taylor introduced Mr. Eufinger and explained he was filling in for our legal counsel tonight. He said school starts next week and children will be boarding the buses for the first time, please be careful and watch out for them.

Mrs. Richardson welcomed Mr. Seymour to the Council. She handed out prior to the meeting information on the Marijuana town hall meeting that will be held by the Drug Free Coalition, on weds. September 16th at 7:00pm in the Union County Services building. This will give the community an opportunity to learn more about the issue. She said yesterday, John Husted certified that the group Responsible Ohio, which has been petitioning to legalize marijuana for medicinal and recreational use, was successful in getting the required number of signatures to place the issue on the ballot this November.

They have meet the required about of signatures needed, which this issue will be on the ballot, which will make this issue more compelling. The Responsible Ohio proposal would amend the Ohio Constitution to provide for the legalization for the use of medical marijuana by patients with a medical marijuana certification. Recommended by the patients treating physician and the recreational use of marijuana and marijuana infused products. Those infused products include candy, food, beverages and for personal use in the amount of one ounce or less by individuals twenty-one years or older. Additionally the proposed amendment would allow for individuals to purchase a license to grow four plants of marijuana for personal use.

Mr. Rausch congratulated Mr. Andrako and all of the staff for the dog park. He reminded people that there is no one on staff to clean up after your pets, so it is the owner's responsibility. He encouraged people who have used dog parks before to help out those residents who are using one for the first time.

Mr. Rausch brought up the topic of texting while driving. He was glad to see in the paper that the Police Department has been issuing tickets for texting and driving. He asked for residents to please stop texting while driving and thanked Chief Golden for enforcing that law.

Mr. Seymour thanked Mr. Taylor and Council members for the warm welcome to Council. He looks forward to meeting with the department heads and being brought up to speed.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m.