

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 24, 2014

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rausch, Mr. Fogt, Mrs. Richardson, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Groat, Mr. Reams, Mr. Berbee

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor John Gore, Director of Administration Terry Emery, Finance Director Jenny Chavarria, Asst. Law Director John Eufinger, Police Chief Floyd Golden, Fire Chief Jay Riley, Public Service Director Mike Andrako, City Engineer Jeremy Hoyt, Clerk Connie Patterson

REPORTERS PRESENT: Ryan Horns-Journal Tribune, Amy Rogan-This Week

CITIZENS PRESENT: Jason Orcena, Scott Failor, Steve Stolte, Kathy Werkmeister, Martin Pratt, Ben Vollrath

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There being no additions or corrections, the minutes for the meeting on April 10, 2014 were approved as written.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mayor Gore and Commissioner Steve Stolte presented a Commendation to Economic Development Director Eric Phillips for receiving the William H. Anderson Excellence in Public Service Award for his outstanding leadership and vision for the community and region and his commitment to MORPC. He has also been elected as Chair of the MORPC Board. Mayor Gore and the County Commissioners thanked Mr. Phillips for all of his recent accomplishments and for the service he provides to our community.

Mayor Gore and President Taylor presented a Commendation to Coach Shawn Andrews and the Wrestling Team for their hard work and dedication that has made their team successful.

Mayor Gore and President Taylor presented a commendation to Hayden Lee, the 5th State Champion in Marysville High School history. He earned the Division I Title in 2014 at the Ohio State Wrestling Tournament. He finished the season with 43-1 and is ranked top 10 in his weight class.

Mayor Gore and President Taylor presented a commendation to Austin Pfarr, the 6th State Champion in Marysville High School history. He earned a Division I Champion. He finished his season with a 46-1 record and ranked top 15 nationally in his weight class by three different organizations.

Mayor Gore reported the following:

Automated Metering Infrastructure

I would like to update you on some recent activity with the Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI). The city started utilizing the Continuous Usage Report this month. We sent approximately 60 letters to residents and businesses and also made approximately 15 phone calls.

With this system, we are not able to tell customers what is going on exactly, but we can let them know that something is occurring that is causing their usage to go up. Customers have been very appreciative of the letters and calls.

A recent example of a local business:

- Customer uses approximately 20 cf per day (600 cf a month)
- Started using approximately 45 cf per day (1350 in a months time)
- Was able to talk to the customer and see if they had any processes that used water, which they stated no.
- Worked with them for several days monitoring when their continuous usage stopped.
- Saved the customer approximately \$100 for the month if the problem would not have been detected so early.
- This is not a fool proof system, but merely an additional tool staff can use to try and catch issues.
- With the system being new, there are still some issues and Sensus is working to resolve them.

Division of Police

MPD officers completed a four day Crisis Intervention Team training last week. The training was presented by the Union County Crisis Intervention Team.

Public Service

Engineering

Thank you to all of this afternoon's participants in our 2nd Annual Stream Cleanup. Due to the progress made last year, there was significantly less trash along the City's Streams. This event was a success.

The Partners Park project started on Monday with site preparation including pavement removal, mobilization and fine grading. It is anticipated that underground utility installation will begin in the next few weeks.

As part of the Partners Park project, Yorii Town Japan has donated a boulder (75"L x 59"W x 47"H and weighing 3.5 tons to 4 tons) that will be located within the project's Friendship Garden.

The signs at the American Legion Park have been restored as part of an Eagle Scout project. We are also replacing a play structure at American Legion Park which we expect to be constructed next week.

Events & Recreation

Basketball and Volleyball league applications are available on the City's website. Registration deadline is April 25th.

2014 League nights are:

- Tuesday: 3 on 3 Basketball and Water Volleyball
- Wednesday and Thursday: Sand Volleyball (Only 6 spots left for Wednesday and 2 spots left for Thursday)

Pool passes are now available for purchase on the City's website or in person at City Hall. The Pool will open on May 24th.

The first Friday Night Uptown event, "Uptown BBQ", will be held on May 16th from 6-10 pm with music by Arnett Howard. The event will be presented by Bob Chapman Ford.

Administration

City Planner Greg DeLong and Code Enforcement Officer Derek Hutchinson will be on WQTT 1270 AM radio station tomorrow morning from 9:00-9:30 am for "Marysville Municipal Matters." Topics of discussion will be Planning/Zoning and Code Enforcement.

REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL: At the last Council meeting, Mr. Reams asked Clerk Patterson to research other cities to see how they handle Council members speaking at various readings.

She received 11 responses and 10 of them allow Council to speak at all readings. Out of the 11 responses, 3 communities rarely have 3 readings; most readings are suspended, however, in 1 community, if readings are not suspended, Council speaks only at 3rd reading. 3 communities hold only two readings for legislation and Council is allowed to speak at both.

REPORT OF PLANNING COMMISSION: Newly elected Planning Commission Chairman Scott Failor reported that there was no Design Review Meeting in April due to lack of agenda items.

Planning Commission met and recommended the 18 code changes on tonight's agenda, which will be discussed later.

HEARING OF CITIZENS: Mr. Reams recognized Ryan Horns for turning 40 today. Happy Birthday Ryan!

Mr. Jason Orcena, Health Commissioner, addressed Council regarding the Health Department's Annual Report. The Annual Report is on the website and a paper copy can be requested through the Health Department. Their financial standing is good and they are stable for the next year or two. No major issues on the horizon. Still see continued increase in the number of sexually transmitted diseases. Most disease investigation numbers are up over last year, not including mumps.

Mr. Orcena presented the Community Health Improvement Plan. Several organizations helped develop this document. This outlines for three years, a strategic plan relating to health outcomes for the community. The intent is, based on all the assessments done in this community, determining the major goals that reach across our agencies. Some are agency specific, but many of the issues touch many individuals. Five broad-reaching goals were identified: Youth health, access to health care, including mental health access, adult health, maternal and child health and monitoring and evaluation of the community's health. All of these were looked at holistically, not just physical needs but spiritual, emotional and behavioral health needs. Drug addiction issues fell into this as well.

Several community organizations have adopted this plan as it relates to them. Some organizations have adopted parts of the Plan, such as Safe and Sound. The County Commissioners have adopted this Plan, and Mr. Orcena asked Council to consider endorsing the Plan.

RESOLUTIONS

"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR APPOINTED DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE TO THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY FOR \$350,000 OF FY2014 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (CHIP) GRANT FUNDS AND TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION" was presented for first reading, title only. Presentation by Mr. Greg DeLong and Ms. Kathy Werkmeister is printed in its entirety.

Greg DeLong:

Good evening members of City Council.

It is that time of the year again for the City to submit applications to the State for funding under the CHIP grant and the Community Development Allocation programs.

Since both grant applications are running on a similar schedule and to minimize a repeat presentation, Kathy Werkmeister and I are here to provide City Council with a dual presentation about each of the grants which the City intends to make application for.

The CHIP grant application is due on June 6th and the Allocation grant application is due on June 20th.

As stated, the City of Marysville intends to make application to the State of Ohio Department of Development to access funding available under the Fiscal Year 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, a federally funded program administered by the State. The City is eligible for approximately \$75,000 of CDBG Community Development Allocation and \$350,000 of CDBG, HOME and Ohio Housing Trust Fund funding under the Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP), provided the City meets applicable program requirements.

Kathy and I are here tonight to present to City Council the first of two required public hearings. The presentation tonight is a broad based overview of the eligible programs within the CDBG and HOME funded programs.

Both Kathy and I will be back before Council on May 22nd to present the projects which have been selected for both of the grant applications.

Kathy Werkmeister:

CHIP Grant

Good evening. I am glad to be joining with Greg DeLong at this first public hearing to provide citizens with pertinent information about the CHIP program and an explanation of eligible activities and program requirements. As Greg mentioned the city is eligible to apply for \$350,000 in CHIP housing funds including CDBG, HOME and OHTF funds.

The city of Marysville will hold a Housing Advisory Committee Meeting (HAC) on May 2nd at 1:30pm to discuss the city's housing needs and how they may be addressed through the CHIP program. We will be looking at the gaps in housing faced by low- and moderate-income households, what CHIP activities could help fill these gaps and how the CHIP program can continue to coordinate with other community agencies such as the Community Action

Organization of Delaware, Madison and Union Counties and the Salvation Army. The CHIP program has partnered with both agencies for several years.

In 2014, the city may again apply for funding to provide housing services, primarily to homeowners but also to tenants with short-term rental assistance. These funds are targeted to serve low-income and moderate-income homeowners and other residents of our community.

Eligible CHIP activities include Homeownership, Private Owner Rehabilitation (rehab the whole house), Home Repair (provide repair or replacement service to one system such as the roof, plumbing, electrical or HVAC), Rental Rehabilitation and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance.

Over the past ten years, the city has received \$2.5 million in CHIP funds and has helped close to 140 homeowners and renters.

Greg and I will return to council when the CHIP application has been developed and the activities have been identified by the HAC. As Greg mentioned, the CHIP application is due to the state on Friday, June 6th.

As part of the CHIP program, we educate every participant about fair housing including their rights under the Federal Fair Housing Act and The Ohio Fair Housing Act. Each April, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) uses Fair Housing Month to mark the passage of the 1968 [Fair Housing Act](#), the landmark law passed shortly after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. which prohibits housing discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and family status. Ohio adds ancestry and military status to those protected classes. I brought some fair housing flyers with me this evening. Please take one with you. Thank you for the opportunity to address you this evening.

Greg DeLong

Allocation Grant

In FY2014 the State of Ohio expects to distribute approximately \$20.5 million of Ohio State Administered Community Development Block Grant Program funds to eligible communities through the Community Development Program with 60 percent of the funding identified for Community Development Grant activities and 40 percent for Neighborhood Revitalization, Downtown Revitalization and Critical Infrastructure competitive set-aside activities.

In FY 2014 there are approximately, 105 eligible non entitlement communities, 79 eligible counties, 26 eligible “direct” cities all being funded by the program.

On March 24, 2014, the City received notice from the State of Ohio Office of Community Development that the city is eligible to receive \$75,000 in CDBG funding. This is the same amount the city received in 2013 and it is the minimal amount distributed by the City. Amounts are determined based on population and the number of low-moderate income residents in the City.

With the Allocation program, the City can fund up to three (3) projects. The City must also allocate funds for a Fair Housing program and we can also allocate funds for program administration. Fair Housing and Administration do not count as projects.

All projects funded by the Allocation Program must meet the national objective of:

- Benefitting low and moderate income (LMI) persons.
- Preventing and/or eliminating areas of slum and blight

Some of the activities that are eligible for CDBG funding include:

- Rehabilitation of centers for the disabled
- Fair Housing
- Code Enforcement
- Street Improvements
- Sidewalk Improvements
- Historic Preservation

No project within the program can begin until the City executes a grant agreement with the State, which typically occurs in the Sept/Oct timeframe and the City receives written notification from the State that the environmental review process is complete and approved which is my goal to have completed by December.

All activities and projects associated with this grant must be bid through the City and it must follow CDBG and City procurement procedures along with Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates.

Again, both Kathy and I will be back at the May 22nd meeting to present to Council the selected projects for both of the grant applications.”

Mr. Fogt asked Ms. Werkmeister if she is pleased with the results as far as the houses that have been fixed up. Are the residents still there and are they living up to their part of the agreement. He continues to see houses that need rehabbed.

Ms. Werkmeister said she is pleased, but wishes there was more money available for the program. Funds have been cut from \$500,000 to \$350,000. They try to provide the greatest impact per house that they can within the state guidelines. They've always done a combination of full house rehab, but it may be as few as 6 houses that they can rehab in any one CHIP round and 19 home repairs. They are trying to help as many

people, as well as trying to preserve the housing stock. She receives very good feedback and the homeowners are very grateful for the program. It has been very positively received. They have helped over 140 households over the past ten years.

Mr. DeLong added there is a waitlist from 2011 that could not be served due to lack of funds.

Ms. Werkmeister added that the families who received the full rehab, up to \$30,000 that are fully rehabbed, do receive a lien on their homes, so if they move before ten years, that money must be repaid to the city on a pro-rated basis. The grant money, \$5,000 given as free grant to those homeowners, assuming we're helping people that are lower-income.

Mr. Berbee asked for samples of projects that the \$75,000 CDBG grant would be used for. Mr. DeLong said in FY2012 new sidewalks were put in on the south side of 5th Street from Chestnut to Five Points. This year will be resurfacing the alley off Oak Street. Also doing some fill-in gaps with sidewalks along Chestnut Street and also 9th by Eljer Park and also S. Oak. He is working with the City Engineer for projects for this year. Projects are limited to low to moderate income areas, which would be east and southeast of the uptown area.

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR APPOINTED DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE TO THE STATE OF OHIO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SMALL CITIES PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000 OF FY2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION GRANT FUNDS” was presented for first reading, title only.

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES FUNDS THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MILFORD AVENUE MULTI-USE PATH PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY” was presented for first reading, title only. Mr. Emery explained that this is funding for the multi-use path from Kenny lane and Bunsold School. It would be an 8' wide pedestrian bike path which is critically needed in that area for walkability and connectivity. This is a long process. This is the authorization to file for the application. Staff won't be notified if the project is accepted until this fall. If accepted, 2015 will be spent on preparation and design, and the project wouldn't take place until 2016 or 2017. The deadline is a week from Monday, so Administration asked Council's consideration to pass the emergency and waive readings.

Mayor Gore said Council was informed a couple of years ago that this would be over a million dollar project. This is an opportunity to get the majority of the project funded.

Mr. Emery added that it's estimated to be a \$1.3M project, with a local match of about \$260,000.

Mrs. Richardson asked if the path goes along Route 4. Response was it goes down the east side of Milford Avenue, on the Milford Crossing side and then it will stay on the south side of SR 4 until it connects into Bunsold. There are streams down there, so bridges will be incorporated in the paths.

Mrs. Richardson asked if staff has been working with the schools. Mr. Emery said there have been discussions.

Mayor Gore said, "We didn't chose to build out there; they did, so I think there needs to be some partnering here somewhere along the way, and I think we'll continue discussions."

Mr. Fogt said since this is going to take a couple of years, and there is some talk of development out across from the Moose, can developers chip in some money towards the path. Mr. DeLong said the developers are required to put in their own sidewalks. Staff will work with the developer. Mr. Hoyt said we can request the developer put in a bike path in lieu of sidewalks.

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

Mrs. Groat YES Mr. Reams YES Mr. Berbee YES Mr. Rausch YES Mr. Fogt YES Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES

Emergency passed.

Mrs. Groat moved to waive second reading, public hearing and the question put, stood:

Mr. Reams YES Mr. Berbee YES Mr. Rausch YES Mr. Fogt YES Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES Mrs. Groat YES

Motion passed.

Mr. Taylor commented as a resident on 5th Street, it's important and as a former educator, I think it's even more important.

Mr. Rausch moved to waive third reading, title only and the question put, stood:

Mr. Berbee YES Mr. Rausch YES Mr. Fogt YES Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES Mrs. Groat YES Mr. Reams YES

Motion passed.

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

Mr. Rausch YES Mr. Fogt YES Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES Mrs. Groat YES Mr. Reams YES Mr. Berbee YES

Resolution 15-14 passed.

ORDINANCES

The ordinance "ACCEPTING A GIFT OF REAL ESTATE SITUATED IN THE STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF UNION AND CITY OF MARYSVILLE, PARCEL NOS. 2900220019320 (1121 VALLEY DRIVE, LOT 3834), 2900220019330 (1113 VALLEY DRIVE, LOT 3835), AND 2900220019340 (1105 VALLEY DRIVE, LOT 3836) was presented for second reading, public hearing.

Mr. Taylor asked what the real value of these lots is to the city. Mayor Gore responded that this is where the pedestrian bridge is going to be built and the lots will be used for parking lot and access to the bridge. Mayor Gore asked Council's consideration to waive the third reading.

Mrs. Richardson moved to waive third reading, title only and the question put, stood:

Mr. Fogt YES Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES Mrs. Groat YES Mr. Reams YES Mr. Berbee YES Mr. Rausch YES

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

Mrs. Richardson YES Mr. Taylor YES Mrs. Groat YES Mr. Reams YES Mr. Berbee YES Mr. Rausch YES Mr. Fogt YES

Ordinance 20-14 passed.

The ordinance "ACCEPTING A GIFT OF REAL ESTATE SITUATED IN THE STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF UNION AND CITY OF MARYSVILLE, PARCEL NOS. 2900220022000 (SOUTH OF CINNAMON DRIVE "F" MILL ROAD) AND 2900220011000 ("G" 17300 MILL ROAD) IN MILL VALLEY PHASE 1" was presented for second reading, public hearing. Mr. Reams asked if this retention area is really part of the area that we need (inaudible). He's curious as to why the timing is now and why it's tied in with this. What's the benefit to the city to accept these properties?

Mr. Hoyt responded that for the most part it's because the city is already operating as if it is ours, and it's mainly cleaning up something that should have been done a long time ago. It's been discussed with the law director. Mr. Reams asked if we're obligated to maintain this property or have we been maintaining out of.... Mr. Hoyt said we're obligated and this is the reason why we no longer maintain retention facilities.

Mayor Gore recommended not waiving third reading until we find out if there is definitely an obligation for the city to maintain this.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 937.18, ESTABLISHMENT OF STORM DRAINAGE SERVICE CHARGES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY" was presented for second reading, public hearing.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 931.05, DISCONNECTION AND RECONNECTION OF SERVICE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, OHIO" was presented for second reading, public hearing.

The ordinance "AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,200,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESIGNING, CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND CONVERTING THE FORMER CITY HALL SITE INTO A MUNICIPAL PARK, WITH RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO; AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS" was presented for first reading, title only. Mayor Gore said Council was told earlier that partners were given ten-year commitments and we're into the ten-year commitment. One of the partners is Richwood Bank, and we already have an agreement with them. It has to be worded this way as a ten-year loan on the property and Richwood Bank gave us a better rate than the bond. This will finance the full amount. We presently have between \$750,000 and \$800,000 pledged and currently in discussions for another \$100,000 to \$125,000. "We really believe we will be at least around \$900,000 to \$1M on pledges, so at the end of the day, it will end up costing the citizens about \$200,000 to \$300,000. Staff will continue to pursue partners and will continue to try to find investors in the park.

Mr. Taylor asked Ms. Chavarria if she was on board with this finance procedure. Her response was yes.

Mr. Taylor asked Finance Chairman Berbee if he was on board as well. His response was yes.

Mrs. Richardson asked how the city gets reimbursed from the partners. Mayor Gore said there is a signed legal contract with each partner that they have an annual

obligation to pay whatever their pledge is with their interest included. The city will make the annual payment and collect from them annually.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1105.04, SKETCH PLAN REQUIRED, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. Mr. DeLong and Mr. Failor addressed this legislation, as well as the next 17 pieces of legislation. Mr. DeLong explained that the code amendments on Council's agenda derived from many different areas. The applications have been very frustrating to work with. Currently, application requirements are completely listed in the code. It has become tedious for applicants. Staff is trying to make it easier for everyone. A checklist is included with a lot of the applications, so when an applicant comes in, he/she just runs through the checklist. He added that he met with Heritage Coop today and they complimented staff on how simple the application process is.

As the process is now, any change to the application, something as simple as adding an email address, cell phone number, etc. to the code would require the change to go through Planning Commission, then on to City Council, which is about a three-month process.

The proposed process would make the Planning and Zoning staff's job easier and make life easier for the applicant. It will be more business friendly and make the process more accommodating. That is the main purpose for the proposed changes.

Mr. Berbee said it makes a lot of sense to go this direction but asked who is monitoring changes being made to the applications.

Mrs. Richardson proposed the following change be made to all eighteen pieces of legislation because it applies uniformly to each one. The proposed change is as follows: ***Any change made to an application/a submission shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission.***

Mrs. Richardson feels the approval authority for all submitted planning documents and packets is the Planning Commission. The logical conclusion is that the approval authority for contents of the submitted packets should also be the Planning Commission. If they are accountable for reviewing and adjudicating, they should also determine what is necessary in the applications. The legislation before Council without amendment, would switch the approval authority solely to the City staff to determine the content for the application. That is a big paradigm shift from what we have now. Without amendment, the public would no longer have the opportunity for direct input into any proposed changes on applications. The proposal creates a check and balance between the City Administration and the Planning Commission, which the Planning

Commission is our designee and advisor on planning matters as a Council. The proposal creates a win-win. It addresses concerns that details documented in the code are cumbersome, not helpful to applicants and difficult to update since code changes currently must have three readings before Council. With the proposal, changes to the applications can be made with the review/approval of the Planning Commission in just one meeting. That is more efficient than the current process and provides for a public meeting to allow for public input and also creates a check and balance.

Since Council hasn't had a chance to think about this change, Mrs. Richardson suggested everyone think about it and discuss the proposed change at the next meeting.

Mr. DeLong said in discussions with Ms. Richardson, he suggested putting the proposed change in the Rules of Procedure for the various Boards and Commissions in which the change in application applies. His experience in 13 years of planning is applications are something that staff needs to work with because they are the ones who have to deal with the applications and applicants every day, and he doesn't want to have to hassle the Board just to get these modified all the time. However, if it is something that Council wishes, he can add it to the Code.

Mr. Taylor said that he would like to send the next 17 pieces of legislation back to the Planning Commission for proper wording and verbiage. He does not intend to jerimander any of this legislation; he does not intend to shortcut any of this legislation. He asked the law director if this is proper procedure. Mayor Gore said he didn't think that was allowed, to send legislation back to the Planning Commission. He said Council can vote it down then it will go back to Planning Commission. Mr. Taylor referred to Rule 19.1 of Council Rules of Procedure whereby the President has the authority to refer legislation to appropriate committee or committees. Mr. Reams said those are only Council Committees, not Boards and Commissions. Mr. Taylor said the Rules of Procedure don't deviate from committees or city commissions.

Mr. DeLong read Section 1131.11. "Within forty-five days after the public hearing required by Section 1131.08, Council shall take final action on the recommendation of the Planning Commission. A vote to amend the recommendation must receive a three-fourths affirmative vote of all members of Council."

Mayor Gore suggested getting with Mr. Aslaner on Monday and get the issue cleared up before the next meeting. This will in no way impede the legislative process.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1105.06, APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1105.08, PRELIMINARY PLAT CONTENTS OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1105.14, APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1105.17, FINAL PLAT CONTENTS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1125.02, CONTENTS OF APPLICATION FOR ZONING PERMIT, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1129.10, APPEALS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1129.13, APPLICATION AND STANDARDS FOR VARIANCES, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1129.21, CONTENTS OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public

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Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1131.04, CONTENTS OF APPLICATION, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1136.07, CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS REQUIRED, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1136.10, PROCEDURE FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS BEFORE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1144.05, EXTERIOR PLAN REQUIRED BY DESIGN REVIEW BOARD FOR DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICTS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1144.06, EXTERIOR PLAN APPLICATION/FEE, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1145.11, PUD SKETCH PLAN, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1145.15, DEVELOPMENT PLAN REQUIRED, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1150.05, PERMIT REQUIREMENTS-SMALL WIND ENERGY PROJECTS, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

The ordinance "TO AMEND SECTION 1150.08, PERMIT REQUIREMENTS-SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM, OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE" was presented for first reading, title only. A Public Hearing is scheduled for May 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. per Section 1131.08 of the Planning and Zoning Code.

PARKS & RECREATION REPORT: Mr. Taylor said that Ward 4 has a vacancy, and the search is ongoing.

Mr. Rausch reported that Chairman John Howard resigned and thanked him for his service to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Carrie Milroy moved to Chairwoman and Robert Berbee was elected Vice Chairman.

The Commission is working on the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan. Goal for completion is the June meeting.

The Pool opens on May 24th. The high dive is coming back. Dive-in movies are being planned. There will also be some additional night swims. Parks and Rec really appreciates all of Amanda's hard work for the pool.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PERSONS AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Taylor presented Ben Vollrath and Nathan Vanover for reappointment to the Utility Claims Board of Appeals, terms to expire March 31, 2016.

Mrs. Richardson moved to confirm the appointments; affirmative voice vote was unanimous.

Mr. Taylor presented David Cook as Veteran Member to the Cemetery Advisory Board and Donald Boerger as Citizen Member to the Cemetery Advisory Board, terms to expire March 31, 2018.

Mrs. Groat moved to confirm the appointments; affirmative voice vote was unanimous.

Mr. Rausch congratulated Eric Phillips for receiving the William H. Anderson Award and for all that he does, not only in our community, but at MORPC as well. He noted that at City Council Minutes

the MORPC meeting, a Mr. Peter Culpler spoke, who has had a long and honored career in urban design, planning and architecture. He's been a pioneer in innovative approaches to urban revitalization, suburban growth and regional planning. He talked about thriving downtown communities needing walkability and connectivity. Mr. Rausch said he's been paying attention to Marysville since that meeting and we have different communities within Marysville that are walkable, but they're not really connected. He feels we need to keep focusing on that. Sometimes high-density dwellings are closer to the heart of the city. All of our high-density are on the outside of our city, which makes it a longer walk to get to downtown.

Other MORPC business included a speaker from Transportation out of Washington. She said four out of five millennials want to have a variety of options to get to work, school, activities and home, walk, bike, public transportation, private transportation. We need to be cognizant of that.

House Bill 5 is setting in the Senate Committee. There is a feeling in Columbus that there is going to be something done on that towards the end of the year. There may be some small compromises, but not compromises like we were hoping. Will continue to fight for improvements to the Bill.

Mayor Coleman has set up a JET (Jobs, Expansion and Transportation) Task Force. Mr. Rausch said that affects Marysville because any company that locates here wants to have access to an international airport or a neighborhood where it can get direct flights all over the country and that will be a huge economic development boom for us, even in Marysville.

Mrs. Richardson thanked Martin Pratt for serving as Planning Commission Chairman and thanked Scott Failor for stepping up to serve as the new Planning Commission Chairman.

Mrs. Richardson thanked Mayor Gore for supporting the Drug Free Coalition and their request to get support for the grant for funding. Working together, we can make a difference for the community.

The Heritage Cooperative tour in Kenton last week was thorough and informative. She appreciates everyone who had a hand in putting the tour together.

April is Alcohol Awareness Month.

Regarding underage drinking, parents play a major role in their student's and children's choices about using alcohol. Graduation and graduation parties are coming up. In Union County, over 50% of the students are reported drinking alcohol in the last 30 City Council Minutes

days, indicating that they get alcohol from their friends, while another 30% indicate they get it from their parents. That information came from a Youth Risk Assessment done in 2012. "Don't be a friend; be a parent." Underage use of alcohol is a serious problem that too often leads to harmful consequences for our youth and their family. Parents can protect themselves and their teens by following a few guidelines when hosting parties for their children. Those are: Refuse to supply alcohol; be at home when your teen is having a party; make sure your teen's friends do not bring alcohol into your home; talk to other parents about not providing or allowing drinking at youth events; talk to your child about what they should do if offered alcohol at another home. The message from the Union County Drug Free Coalition is to keep talking about the dangers of drug and alcohol. Please keep our County safe and help to make it drug free.

Regarding accepting the property in Mill Valley, to the best of Mrs. Richardson's knowledge, there is no active homeowner's association in that area to fund repairs.

Mr. Berbee said two weeks ago Chief Golden worked with us on the Community Block Watch for Mill Valley. It was kind of striking, that a couple days later, Ryan Horns did an article about the crime here in Marysville and he particularly noted four different sections. Chief Golden particularly talked about crimes of opportunity. As far as Mr. Berbee knows, Mill Valley is about the only one that has a community block watch and that was the only one area where there was no crime at all. Maybe it is contributed to the block watch. Crimes of opportunities are when people leave their windows open, they leave valuables in their car. We may need to explore further block watch groups in other areas of Marysville.

Mr. Berbee reported that Finance Committee met on April 17th. We are running ahead with money coming in. Kudos to the department. He noted that he put his check in on the 12th and it was already cashed on the 14th, so checks are being processed promptly.

Also in Finance Committee, Council had approved \$375,000 for paving. Since we had a slight surplus, Administration has been able to increase it to as much as \$600,000. Also, the \$75,000 from the CDBG Grant may go into paving. Also, when the Water Department makes repairs, they put some money into paving, so the estimated amount of paving for this year will be in the neighborhood of \$1M.

Mrs. Groat reported that her Ward 3 meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 6th, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Marysville Public Library, Meeting Room B.

Public Affairs will meet on Monday, April 28th at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Mr. Taylor said we've said a lot of good things about a lot of good people tonight. He wanted to mention Dave Laslow as a Jefferson Award Winner on Saturday night for his work with Care Train. Congratulations to Care Train and Dave Laslow

Mayor Gore noted that the Chamber of Commerce had their Salute to Leaders Luncheon. The Mayor and Commissioner Stolte had the honor of acknowledging some of the folks. The Mayor had the honor of acknowledging our own Marysville Police Chief Golden and Sheriff Jamie Patton, Officer Josh Dillahunt and Lt. Rob Bibar for their work on the A.L.I.C.E. Training. They have trained over 2,000 people in our community. Mayor Gore noted that he happened to be sitting by Chip Hubbs of Memorial Hospital and Mr. Hubbs said, "It's just amazing to me people you don't even know what they do in your community." Mayor Gore said there are so many people in our community that do so much and we don't even know them; we're not aware of what they do, but again, "it's a great place to live, work and play and the collaboration we have in this county is just outstanding." Mayor Gore added that we are no longer just Marysville, Union County Ohio, we are part of central Ohio. We're expected to also carry the load and do our share and as things continue to grow and expand, we're going to be asked to be more involved and we need to be willing to do so and look and plan to the future.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.