

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 7, 2013

The council meeting was called to order by President Donald Crank at 7:00 P.M. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Wolf, Mrs. Moody, Mr. Bittner, Ms. Brandy, Mr. Parsons, Mrs. George

Absent and Excused: Mrs. Lingo

Mr. Wolf made a motion and was seconded by Ms. Brandy to excuse the absent member.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Treasurer Judy Petersen, Law Director Steve Wolf, Auditor Jill Claire, Mayor Joseph Roetting, City Manager Director Bill Kocher

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes as printed of the April 16, 2013 was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We would like to "Thank" the Corvair Club and Karl Lemmerman for their donation to the City Parks.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Karen Arnett would like to suggest to council members to take their time on the decision making of park improvements. Most people Karen has spoke to feel disconnected from city council. Take the time and consider what the residents would want and enjoy in the park. We had putt putt golf years ago and it didn't make it and now we are going to try it again. When Karen asked kids in the park what they would like to see in the park most responded basketball courts and skateboard park. Kids today are not interested in putt putt golf. Is it really necessary to rush this?

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

There has been confusion with 7272 Hamilton Avenue, so we have asked Mr. Henry to come in and let us know what the exact intent of the property will be.

Terry Bayes from Bayes and Sons Construction is here representing Mark Henry who has purchased 7272 Hamilton Avenue. Mr. Bayes has been retained for the contracting work of the property. This property is going to be a house of worship, which this does not have to go through the planning commission. There will be a chapel, 2 offices and 2 restrooms. The exterior will be re-done to make a statement for the gateway to the City of Mt. Healthy. We are following all zoning and business codes. Mr. Henry was asked to show proof that this property will be used for non-profit. This will be Universal Life Church of Cincinnati; it will be a second location.

The intent at this time is to leave the parking open for park use as long as there is not a service.

Original conversations with Mr. Henry did not indicate the property would be a church.

From the beginning of Mr. Kocher finding out he purchased the property the intent has not been clear.

Mr. Bayes was not able to answer any questions regarding exactly how the church will be run. As far as the intent of the church Mr. Bayes is not aware of. He is only the contractor.

Mr. Wolf has a concern because this is a church that when you look up on line that you can pay a fee and become an ordained minister. We need to be careful with this property and what the intent of the business that goes in.

The Mayor asked Mr. Bayes if he knows anything about 1580 St. Clair Avenue.

Mr. Bayes was not aware of anything at that address. He has been asked to look at a property that is owned by Walker Funeral Home here in Mt. Healthy, but not at that address.

Mrs. Moody brought up that she has seen the house across the street from her has been purchased and gutted. Just recently she has seen caskets being wheeled in and out of the house and there were caskets stacked in the home, which was just found out was by purchased by Mr. Henry.

1580 is zoned residential and you can't put caskets in a house. Mr. Crutchfield states they brought the property for an office or it to tear it down. Mr. Crutchfield said that was a onetime thing and it will not happen again.

Mr. Bayes did talk to Mr. Henry at the beginning about 1580 St. Clair because they did not know parking regulations and talked about the purchase of the home.

The questions council members have need to be directed towards Mr. Henry. Mr. Bayes is only able to answer contractual issues.

The Mayor would like to hear from Mr. Henry himself what the intent of this property will be.

This has made the intent of the property to be more confusing. At this point there is a lot of speculation and we just need to get a more formal intent directly from Mr. Henry.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: *Joseph Roetting*

Clean up Mt. Healthy will be Saturday, May 11th from 9:00am – Noon. Meet at the community room. Rain date will be the next Saturday. Thanks to Connie Graham for organizing this event.

There will be a work session tonight after the council meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: *Bill Kocher*

The traffic study down Hamilton Avenue is still ongoing. They would like to extend the hours of the No Left Turn another hour. This would restrict the left turns until 7:00pm. This would help to complete the study.

The Community Press did an article to help get sponsors for movie nights in the park for this summer. We have received a call about being a sponsor from ScoopCat.org. They want to sponsor the July 5th movie.

We are going to have another joint meeting with North College Hill and have the fire chief from Deerfield Township at this meeting. We will have the meeting on Monday, June 10th at 6:30 in North College Hill council chambers. This will be a continuation of the joint fire department discussions.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT: *Steve Wolf*

None.

AUDITOR'S REPORT: *Jill Claire*

The 2012 GAAP report has been submitted.

Work on the 2012 audit is still in progress.

TREASURER'S REPORT: *Judy Petersen*

None.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 13-1666 A second reading of Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to effect a governmental natural gas aggregation program with opt-out provisions pursuant to section 4929.26, Ohio Revised Code, directing the Hamilton County Board of Elections to submit a ballot questions to the electors. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 13-1667 A second reading of Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to effect a governmental electricity aggregation program with opt-out provisions pursuant to section 4929.26, Ohio Revised Code, directing the Hamilton County Board of Elections to submit a ballot questions to the electors. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 13-1044 A first reading of resolution authorizing the City Manager to open a \$53,000 loan for the purpose of LED light conversion.

Resolution 13-1045 A first reading of pick up resolution existing pick up plan restated resolution of the Council of Mt. Healthy Fire Department.

Resolution 13-1046 A first reading of pick up resolution existing pick up plan restated resolution of the Council of Mt. Healthy Police Department.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Parsons follows up with the letter that was in council packets from State Representative Cheryl Grossman. The letter is just stating they received our legislation regarding House Bill 5.

Don Crank announces there will be 15-20 new pavers for the Veteran's Memorial going out. The pocket park project has been put on hold for a couple of months. They are working on getting the funds available. The project will still happen.

There are 7 council candidates for the fall election.

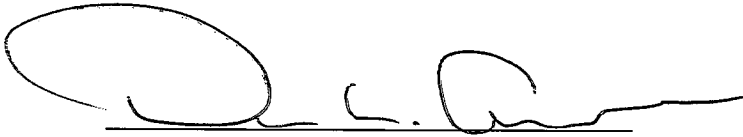
There are 3 new trees in the park. We would like to "Thank" the Urban Tree Commission for these trees.

NEW BUSINESS:

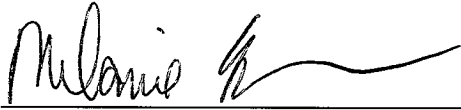
June, July, and August will reach our summer session, which is just one meeting per month on the 3rd Tuesday of each of the 3 months. Mrs. Moody makes a motion to move into summer session. Ms. Brandy seconds the motion. An aye vote carries the motion.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mrs. George. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

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Donald Crank, President of Council

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Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council