

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 3, 2013

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

ROLL CALL:

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the November 19, 2013 as printed was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mrs. George. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from Duke Energy in the matter of the annual application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. for an adjustment to rider AMRP rates, case no. 13-2231-GA-RDR was given to council members.

A public notice letter of receipt of 401 application was given to council.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

The Goodtimers are here this evening to "Thank" the Mt. Healthy Police Department for their continued support and assistance with the Freedom Ride benefit motorcycle rally. They presented the Police Department with a \$1,000 donation check.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Joseph Roetting

The Ohio Military Band will perform a holiday concert beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, in the Mount Healthy High School Fine Arts Auditorium.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Marc Waldeck

The new police software training is done with the full-timer officers. Those officers will now train the part-timers. The plan is to go live with the software January 1st. We are taking extra steps to make sure everybody is well trained and using it properly. Our reports won't mean anything if the information is not being input correctly.

Cameras in the park are installed. They should be up and running in about a week. The monitors are in the police department and can even get the feed on phones. There will be signs put up in the park making guests aware they are being recorded.

The process of hiring a new full-time officer is underway. There are two part time officers that are in the top 10 to be hired. We are hoping to have the new hire by January 1st.

The first block watch meeting was held last month. We had a really good turnout for the meeting. Officer Paul Scott is heading this program. Meetings will be the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 in council chambers. We do post on Facebook, sign out front, webpage, and the next door blog. Next meeting will be December 19th.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher

The citizen review board for the hiring process of the full-time officer has been put together. This is the step the hiring process is in right now. There are 6 people with a mix of residents, schools and business owners.

The public hearing for the aggregation was held Monday at 11:00am and tonight at 6:00pm. The morning meeting was recorded, so it will air on Time Warner Cable 15, Cincinnati Bell 45. We will post the list of times it will air on the website. This aggregation is for residential and small businesses.

The budget was in council packets. Revenues are down about 5% in the general fund. We should have it in county format for the next council meeting to get it voted on. The finance committee has reviewed the budget.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Steve Wolf

None.

AUDITOR’S REPORT: *Jill Claire*

None.

TREASURER’S REPORT: *Judy Petersen*

None.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 13-1681: A second reading of ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement between the City of Mt. Healthy and The Ohio Department of Transportation PID No. 96973. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Bittner. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

Ordinance 13-1682: An ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 13-1679 entitled “An ordinance approving a contract with Springfield Township to designate the Springfield Township Joint Economic Zone I, directing the Clerk of Council to file a copy of this ordinance with the Hamilton County Board of Elections and declaring an emergency;” directing the Clerk of Council to file a copy of this ordinance with the Hamilton County Board of Elections and declaring an emergency. A motion to suspend the two reading rule was made by Mrs. Moody and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

The proposed park renovations will be coming back to council soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

There will be a Holiday Luncheon for staff on Monday, December 23rd from Noon-1:00pm.

Bob Evans is holding their Dine to Donate Wednesday – Friday. There will be coupons in the Administrative office.


There will be a work session at the next council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

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



Donald Crank, President of Council



Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council