

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 6, 2015

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

ROLL CALL:

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Joseph Roetting, City Manager Bill Kocher, Law Director Steve Wolf, Finance Director Jill Claire

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting as printed was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Wolf. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Government needs an elected official appointed to their Board of Directors.

Mrs. Moody volunteered her name to be put in as a representative.

R.I.T.A. will be hosting an Income Tax preparation session on February 25th at the Community Room from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Tree Commission 2014 Report was in council packets.

Planted 35 new trees on Forest Avenue

Planted 12 trees in other parts of Mt. Healthy

Partnered with Mt. Healthy Historical Society for a Joint Arbor Day-Tree dedication event.

Established a connection with Natorp's Nursery for purchase of trees through their special municipal tree wholesale program

Members put in over 115 hours of volunteer time.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

Former City of Mt. Healthy Police Chief, Marc Waldeck is here this evening to swear in the new City of Mt. Healthy Police Chief, Vince Demasi. He officially started with the City January 5th, 2015

The City welcomes Chief Demasi!!!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: *Joseph Roetting*

Mt. Healthy Alliance is having their Dine to Donate at Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue on January 7th, 8th, and 9th. 15% of sales will go to the Alliance. You do need to get a coupon in order for them to get their donation.

We will need to go over the nominees for various boards.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: *Bill Kocher*

There was a public hearing we had a couple of meetings ago regarding several properties that were up for being condemned. Council approved them to be labeled as condemned and the Port Authority will demolish these when the funds become available. Since the public hearing folks have come forward with interest in a couple of these properties. The banks get word of these being condemned and they drop the price to try and get rid of them.

There should be a committee put together to look into the City's property values and what is driving the decrease in our property values. The City's property values are still at a low.

The street department used the Calcium Chloride on the roads last night for the first time and it worked very well.

The Fire Departments first response truck has a blown engine. The Chief is looking at purchasing a new truck. Right now they are using the Chief's car for first response. Legislation will be coming at the next meeting.

Would like to have an executive session before closing the meeting.

BOARDS

A motion was made by Mr. Parson to approve the members of Board of Zoning Appeals naming Gary Rahn- expires 12/31/15, John Peters-expires 12/31/16, New member, Ken Weaver-expires 12/31/17. Ms. Brandy seconded the motion and an aye vote carried the motion.

A motion was made by Mrs. George to approve the members of Civil Service Commission Appointments Terry Todd-expires 12/31/20, Mary Ann Schenk-expires 12/31/18, new member Gary Conner-expires 12/31/16. Mr. Wolf seconded the motion and an aye vote carried the motion.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lingo to approve the members of the Planning Commission Appointments Joseph Roetting-expires no longer Mayor, Bill Kocher-expires 12/31/15, Don Hering-expires 12/31/16, Kim Cremeans-expires 12/31/17, new member Jeff Placke-expires 12/31/18. Ms. Petersen seconded the motion and an aye vote carried the motion.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 15-1737: A first reading of an ordinance adjusting compensation for the part-time position of property maintenance officer. A motion to waive the two reading rule was made by Mrs. George and seconded by Mr. Wolf. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

CMHA will be at the next council meeting to give an update on the Duvall Property.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

A motion to move into executive session for real estate was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mrs. George. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. Moved into executive session at 7:55pm.

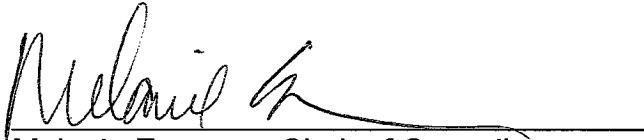
Meeting was called back to order at 8:20pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 P.M.



Ross Bittner, President of Council



Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council