

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 2, 2013

7:00 PM

City Hall

City Council

Stephen A. Renner, President of Council

Ryan P. Jolley, Vice President of Council

Brian D. Larick

Karen J. Angelou

Beryl D. Anderson

Brandon Wright

Thomas R. Kneeland

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

A. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, November 18, 2013, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Stephen A. Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice President of Council Jolley delivered an Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Wright. Agenda for this meeting was published on November 27, 2013.

Present 6 - President Stephen A. Renner, Ryan P. Jolley, Brian D. Larick, Beryl D. Anderson, Brandon Wright, and Thomas R. Kneeland

Absent 1 - Karen J. Angelou

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - None.**C. HEARING OF VISITORS.**

Mary Johnson, 4150 East Johnston Road of Gahanna stated she wanted to register a complaint regarding Lounge 62; there was a shooting recently and a person died as a result of his injuries; her home is directly across the street; she doesn't want to live across the street from a bar where there is a shooting; the other residents have young children; it is not a safe environment; suffer financially; they lived there before Lounge 62 opened and she wants their liquor license revoked.

President Renner said this matter is on the agenda to be addressed and Council is objecting to their liquor license to the Department of Commerce; Johnson thanked Council for their efforts.

Dr. Charles Conroy, 4150 East Johnston Road of Gahanna echoed his wife's sentiments as it relates to Lounge 62 and the recent shooting; he was concerned about loud noise in his neighborhood, now this shooting makes it way worse from a safety standpoint; the problems have trickled out into the parking lot; there are tenants across the street with small children; he said this is not the image we want for the City; it is a serious safety problem to the residents who live near Lounge 62 and needs to be addressed.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:**Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:**

[ORD-0155-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD

AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH JESS HOWARD ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0156-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH HIMES VENDING, INC. FOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE IN GAHANNA CITY HALL; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0157-2013](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Sanitary Sewer Fund

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0158-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE GAHANNA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FOR THE 2014 CALENDAR YEAR FOR THE PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0159-2013](#) TO REAPPOINT RICHARD PECK AS TRUSTEE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF GAHANNA COMMUNITY URBAN REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CURC)

This Ordinance was Introduced.

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

[2013-0040](#) To approve the following sets of minutes:
1) November 18, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes.
2) November 25, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading, Adopt as Emergency:

[ORD-0154-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO TEST RENTAL AND USE AGREEMENT WITH CPS HR CONSULTING FOR UTILIZATION OF EMPLOYMENT TESTS TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY LISTS FOR CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinances on Second Reading:

[ORD-0142-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BILL WALKER FOR CLEANING OF THE GAHANNA GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2015.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0143-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO STEELWORKERS HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT; AS PROVIDED FOR IN ORD-0034-2011, WHICH AUTHORIZES THE NEGOTIATED LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STEEL, PAPER & FORESTRY, RUBBER, MANUFACTURING, ENERGY, ALLIED INDUSTRIAL AND SERVICE WORKERS INTERNATIONAL; TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2014; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Adopted as an emergency on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0144-2013](#) TO EXTEND THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS; TO AMEND ORD-0205-2011.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0145-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBUS FOR WATER QUALITY LAB TESTING.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0146-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE REPAYMENT TO FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR FUNDS NOT EXPENDED ON THE CLARK STATE RESURFACING AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$8,582 FOR SAID REPAYMENT

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0147-2013](#) TO AMEND CHAPTER 929, WATER CONNECTIONS AND RATES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0148-2013](#) TO AMEND CHAPTER 921, SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS AND RENTAL RATES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0150-2013](#) TO VACATE A SLOPE EASEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 701 TECHCENTER DRIVE, A PORTION OF LOT 3 OF TECH CENTER COMMONS

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0152-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE ELLEN LEPERA TRUST, 496 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD, FOR REQUIRED SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT FOR IMPROVEMENT NO. SA 1013; LARRY LANE SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0153-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CITY'S PORTION OF THE PROJECT FOR FRA 317-18.00 PID NUMBER 80811; ALSO KNOWN AS THE HAMILTON ROAD/GRANVILLE STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT NO. 883; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Adopted as an emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Postponed to Date Certain:

[ORD-0141-2013](#) DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY'S CENTRAL PARK AREA TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF THOSE PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE APPLICABLE PORTION OF THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS TO THE GAHANNA-JEFFERSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE EASTLAND-FAIRFIELD CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS; ESTABLISHING A TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND AND PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS INTO THAT FUND; SPECIFYING THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS DIRECTLY BENEFITING THE PARCELS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was postponed on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading:

[RES-0018-2013](#) RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR PERMITS TO BAR 62, LLC, KNOWN AS "LOUNGE 62", 953 E. JOHNSTOWN ROAD & PATIOS, GAHANNA, OHIO 43230

This Resolution was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Statutory Resolutions on Second Reading:

[SR-0001-2013](#) TO DECLARE THE NECESSITY AND INTENT TO APPROPRIATE

CERTAIN REAL ESTATE, OWNED BY THE ELLEN LEPERA TRUST,
496 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD FOR LARRY LANE SANITARY
SEWER EXTENSION; IMPROVEMENT NO. SA 1013.

This Statutory Resolution was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution:

MR-0038-2013 Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Alvin J. McKenna, Jr., to the Income Tax Board of Review for a 3 year term commencing January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2016.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0039-2013 Motion Resolution to set organizational meetings for Year 2014 as follows:

January 8, 2014 - 6:00 p.m. - Landscape Board

January 8, 2014 - 7:00 p.m. - Parks & Recreation Board

January 7, 2014 - 6:30 p.m. - Civil Service Commission

January 8, 2013 - 6:45 p.m. - Planning Commission

and to recognize that the City Council organizational meeting on January 2, 2014, held per Charter, is also classified as a regular meeting and to waive Section 5.20 of the Council Rules of Procedure to dispense with a meeting on January 6.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0040-2013 Motion Resolution that this Council has no objection to the renewal of any liquor permits in January 2014 for those businesses currently holding liquor permits and located within the city limits of Gahanna, except for Bar 62, LLC, dba Lounge 62, 953 E. Johnstown Road, Gahanna, Ohio which is being opposed under separate resolution.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Larick, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - President Renner, Jolley, Larick, Anderson, Wright and Kneeland

Absent: 1 - Angelou

End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS/PUBLIC FORUM - 2014 APPROPRIATIONS: No comment from the public.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES - No report.

Committee of the Whole - Jolley - No report.

Finance, Service & Safety - Larick

Larick said discussed reserve policy and will have overview at the next meeting to establish something that has context and that is a functional policy for any future council and administration.

Development & Parks - Wright - No report.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk

Z-0002-2013 To consider a Zoning application to zone 1.839+/- acres; for property located at 559 North Hamilton Road; current zoning RID (Restricted Institutional District); requested zoning MR-1 (Two Family Residential District); Creative Housing, Inc.; Connie Klema, applicant.

Public Hearing will be January 21, 2014.

This Zoning was Scheduled for Public Hearing

Council

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick/Renner

Larick said next CIC meeting is on December 17 in City Hall.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Angelou - Not present.

Bd. of Education, Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Larick.

Larick said he will attend the next board meeting.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Jolley

Jolley asked if Wright wanted to speak about the contract with CVB; pointed out Jadwin was present at the last meeting to discuss changes. Wright didn't have anything to add. Jolley said they will be meeting again in January.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor - Not present.

City Attorney - No report.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT

Kneeland said the Holiday Lights Parade was another smash hit; the parade was longer than he expected; wonderful event for the community; thanked everyone who helped make the event a success.

Anderson echoed same sentiments on Holiday Lights; weather was warmer than usual; congratulations to CVB and all other workers involved to make the event a success; Rosa Parks reminder, event is this Thursday at COSI at 6:30 p.m.; Stoneybrook United Methodist Church is hosting a Cantata on December 21 & 22 at the Lincoln-Gahanna High School; she will be singing in the choir; invited everyone to come rejoice holiday.

Larick said he had a wonderful time at the Holiday Lights Parade; enjoys Thanksgiving and spending time with his family and getting the Christmas tree up; great weekend.

Renner thanked the residents who voiced their concerns about the shooting; pointed out Council has raised concerns in the past and has taken action to voice their issues about Lounge 62; hopes the law will be on their side; Holiday Lights was a success and a lot of fun; reminder about Isobel Sherwood's retirement party, tomorrow from 6 to 8 at the senior center to congratulate her on her upcoming retirement; he welcomed everyone to attend to honor her for 30 years of service to the City.

O. ADJOURNMENT - Motion by Larick at 7:15 p.m.

*APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2013.*

Kimberly McWilliams, CMC
Clerk of Council

Stephen A. Renner
President