

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 19, 2008

Council May Meet in Caucus Beginning at 7:00 p.m.

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

Nancy R. McGregor, President

Thomas C. Evers, Vice President

Beryl D. Anderson

Shane Ewald

Thomas R. Kneeland

John R. McAlister

David L. Samuel

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 19, 2008, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Nancy McGregor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Vice President Evers delivered an Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Boy Scout Troop #766 Senior Scout.

Members Absent: Shane W. Ewald

Members Present: Nancy R. McGregor, Thomas C. Evers, Thomas R. Kneeland, John McAlister, Beryl D. Anderson and David L. Samuel

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Evers, seconded by Kneeland, to add ORD-0054-2008 under Item D. Introductions and Assignment to Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	6	President of Council McGregor, Vice President of Council Evers, Kneeland, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
Absent	1	Ewald

C. HEARING OF VISITORS:

Jed Morrison, Superintendent, Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities stated I appreciate the opportunity to come and speak about Issue 29 on March 4 ballot; asking for support for continued services for children and adults who have mental retardation in our community; have good relationship with Gahanna; appreciate support from community; this levy will replace 2 levies; have one passed in 1980s for 1.56 mils and one passed 1998 for 2.32 mils for 3.97 total mils; this will replace them with 3.5 voted mils; when a levy is replaced, you replace at upgraded property values; the cost to homeowner of a \$100,000 home would be less than \$1/week; on the ballot it will look like a 1.65 mil replacement with increase of 1.85; if this passes we will drop the 2.32 mil levy; some of the services we provide are early childhood services, schools for children with multiple disabilities, 4 sheltered workshops like ARC Industries East on Taylor Station; also provide a variety of special services like the Special Olympics, transportation, living support, physical, occupational and speech therapy; have not been on ballot for 7 years; don't anticipate being on the ballot again until 2012 when another levy expires; thank you on behalf of our employees.

McAlister asked are we as Franklin County residents solely responsible for funding the MRDD. Morrison stated we receive a significant amount of state and federal funds; have been aggressive about drawing down federal funds. McAlister asked what percentage is federal money. Morrison answered local money represents 70% and state and federal is about 30%; in addition to that, majority of federal money is paid directly to providers. Evers stated there was a great article in the Columbus Dispatch about the levy and services you provide; impressed that you have been able to maintain cost structure while increasing number of people you're serving. Morrison stated it is the federal money allowing us to do that; thank you.

Mayor Stinchcomb presented Proclamation honoring Domenik Hixon and his family; said this is the first time we've had a member of the football team that won the Super Bowl in Council Chambers. Hixon thanked God for everything that He's placed in my

life; it has been a pleasure hearing all the support that Gahanna has provided me and my family; this is truly an honor; thank you for having me.

Charlie Wise, Representative, Gahanna Jefferson Board of Education stated had State of Schools on Feb. 4; presentations on different curriculum given; barring any unforeseen catastrophes, we can extend levy; hired John Snoad from Napoleon High School as new football coach; came out of 68 applicants; approved additional dollars to help purchase new sound system in Gahanna Lincoln Auditorium; approved purchase of 3 new school buses; 20 new buses total; had some on the road since 1987; report on school closing criteria was given; is a process that we don't take lightly; not only do we report it to news and radio, is immediately on the Internet; on March 1st, Gahanna Excellence in Education program held at Creekside Events Center; Student Government Day is April 23 with Yvette McGee Brown as speaker.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Kneeland.

ORD-0040-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH LAFAYETTE ELECTRIC, INC., FOR SIGNALIZATION IMPROVEMENTS AT STYGLER ROAD AT US 62 & AGLER ROAD; IMPROVEMENT NO. 918; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0041-2008

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Parks In Lieu Fees, Capital Improvements/Projects

Introduced

ORD-0042-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH HAMBURG FIREWORKS DISPLAY, INC., FOR FIREWORKS FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA 2008 FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Introduced

ORD-0044-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH W.E. STILSON CONSULTING FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES AS PART OF OUR TRAFFIC SIGNAL DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0045-2008

TO AMEND CODE SECTION 563.16, HOURS OF OPERATION, OF CHAPTER 563, PARK CONDUCT, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

Introduced

ORD-0046-2008

TO AMEND CODE CHAPTER 761, SOLID WASTE AND WASTE RECYCLING FACILITIES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0047-2008

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Air Compressor

Introduced

ORD-0048-2008

TO APPROPRIATE A FEE SIMPLE INTEREST IN A 10.592 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCATED AT 258 JAMES ROAD AND OWNED BY GEORGE W. WEBER; FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARK LAND AND RECREATIONAL TRAIL

DEVELOPMENT; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$160,000 THEREFOR;
AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0051-2008

TO REZONE 36.15+/- ACRES AS RID, RESTRICTED INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 425 S. HAMILTON ROAD; SHEPHERD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, OWNER, BY CITY OF GAHANNA, APPLICANT

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0052-2008

TO REZONE 3.891+/- ACRES AS RID, RESTRICTED INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 470 HAVENS CORNERS ROAD; GAHANNA COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, OWNER, BY CITY OF GAHANNA, APPLICANT

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0054-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH JULIAN & GRUBE, INC., TO PERFORM THE 2007 FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced, to Finance Committee

Statutory Resolutions Requiring Two Readings:

SR-0003-2008

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE NECESSITY AND INTENT TO APPROPRIATE REAL ESTATE FOR EASEMENT ACQUISITION FOR STORM SEWER PROJECT; 416 ARMOR HILL DRIVE; IMPROVEMENT NO. 992; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

2008-0001

- 1) February 19, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 2) February 25, 2008 Special Meeting Minutes

This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.

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

ORD-0043-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BILL WALKER FOR CLEANING OF THE GAHANNA GOLF COURSE CLUB HOUSE FOR 2008; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0049-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO LPA FEDERAL PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR FRA 317-18.00, PID NUMBER 80811, ALSO KNOWN AS IMPROVEMENT OF INTERSECTION HAMILTON ROAD/GRANVILLE STREET/HAVENS CORNERS ROAD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0050-2008

APPOINTING NEW TRUSTEES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF GAHANNA COMMUNITY URBAN REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CURC); AND

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Ordinances on Second Reading:

ORD-0033-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH GOLLINGS ARENA DODGE, FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE POLICE CRUISERS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFF THE STATE CONTRACT.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0034-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH W.E. STILSON CONSULTING GROUP, LLC, TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE WIDENING OF EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD FROM BEECHER/DARK STAR TO YMCA PLACE /ROSE WAY; IMPROVEMENT NO. 840; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0035-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE STANDARD, FOR LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ELIGIBLE PART TIME EMPLOYEES; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$3,076 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0036-2008

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR WIDENING OF STYGLER ROAD BETWEEN AGLER ROAD AND U.S. ROUTE 62 FOR A TURN LANE FROM SOUTHBOUND STYGLER TO WESTBOUND 62; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$24,500; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0037-2008

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Various Accounts - EAP Coverage

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0039-2008

TO AMEND ORD-0009-2007, PART-TIME PERSONNEL, TO INCREASE CERTAIN PAY RANGES; AND TO COMBINE RECREATION TITLES/RANGES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Statutory Resolutions on Second Reading:

SR-0001-2008

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE NECESSITY AND INTENT TO APPROPRIATE REAL ESTATE FOR FUTURE PARK DEVELOPMENT; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 492 E. JOHNSTOWN ROAD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

SR-0002-2008

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE NECESSITY AND INTENT TO APPROPRIATE REAL ESTATE FOR FUTURE PARK DEVELOPMENT; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 292 LARRY LANE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution:**MR-0007-2008**

Motion Resolution to authorize use of \$25,000 set aside in the 2008 appropriations to Account No. 101.431.5512, Parks, Capital Equipment for the purchase of two 1/2 ton trucks in lieu of one 3/4 ton truck as specified in the 2008 appropriations.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0008-2008

Motion Resolution to re-appoint Thomas L. Weber for the unexpired portion of a three year term expiring June 30, 2009 and Maurice Jones for the unexpired portion of a three year term expiring June 30, 2010, to the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council (CRAHC).

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0009-2008

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointments of Karna Anthony and Sadicka White as resident members of the Tax Incentive Review Council to fill the unexpired terms ending December 31, 2008.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0010-2008

Motion Resolution to appoint Thomas R. Kneeland and David L. Samuel as the Council representatives to the Incentive Advisory Board for the calendar year 2008.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0011-2008

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Rob Matney to the Community Improvement Corporation (C.I.C.) Board of Trustees for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2010.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Evers, seconded by Kneeland, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent	1	Ewald
Yes	6	President of Council McGregor, Vice President of Council Evers, Kneeland, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

End of the Consent Agenda**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:****Z-0001-2008**

To Consider a zoning application to zone 36.15 acres located at 425 S. Hamilton Road; Shepherd Church of the Nazarene; current zonings SF-3, AR, ER-1; requested zoning RID (Restricted Institutional District); City of Gahanna, by Bonnie Gard, applicant.

President opened the public hearing at 7:49 p.m.; asked for proponents.

Sadicka White, Director of Planning and Development; stated we are finally getting to the end of Restricted Institutional District (RID) rezonings; about 6 years ago we changed zoning classifications for schools, churches and government buildings to their own category; all of these facilities in past have been in residential districts; did not have development standards different from the areas they'd been built in; this meant as they wanted to grow and expand, there were concerns from neighbors; Planning Commission didn't have appropriate guidelines to go by; proposed to Council to create

their own zoning district; was a City initiative; did not want to do it all at once; many of these institutions did not have appropriate legal descriptions; down to last 4; Shepherd Church is on 36.15 acre lot and it's current zoning is SF-3, Single Family Residential and ER-1, Estate Residential; asking that this be rezoned to RID by City of Gahanna; has gone to Planning Commission and their recommendation is that we rezone it.

President asked for opponents; seeing none, President closed the public hearing at 7:54 p.m.

Heard in Public Hearing

Z-0002-2008

To Consider a zoning application to zone 3.891 acres located at 470 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna Community Congregational Church; current zoning SF-3; requested zoning RID (Restricted Institutional District); City of Gahanna, by Bonnie Gard, applicant.

President opened the public hearing at 7:54 p.m.

White stated this is for 470 Havens Corners Road; located just east of Hamilton Road and Havens Corners Road almost across the street from the High School; asking, on behalf of City of Gahanna, for this parcel of 3.91 acres to be rezoned from SF-3, Single Family Residential to RID, Restricted Institutional District; has gone before Planning Commission and the recommendation is that this be changed to RID.

President asked for opponents; seeing none, President closed the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.

Heard in Public Hearing

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Development & Parks Committee - Ewald

No Report.

Public Service & Safety Committee - McAlister

No Report.

Committee of the Whole - Evers

No Report.

Finance - Kneeland

No Report.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal:

Z-0005-2008

To Consider a zoning application to zone 3.961+/- acres located at 5201, 5221 and 5195 Morse Road; current zoning ER; requested zoning SO (Suburban Office); Don Plank for Pierce Partners, LLC, applicant.

Clerk noted that Public Hearing has been scheduled for March 17, 2008.

Scheduled for Public Hearing

Z-0007-2008

To consider a zoning application to zone 74.798 acres located at 4300 Cherry Bottom

Road, The Columbus Academy; current zoning SF-2; requested zoning RID (Restricted Institutional District); City of Gahanna, by Bonnie Gard, applicant.

Clerk noted that Public Hearing has been scheduled for March 17, 2008.

Scheduled for Public Hearing

2008-0007

To recommend to Council the vacation of a .096 acre portion of Tech Center Drive to allow a portion of the cul-de-sac bulb to revert to adjoining property owner at 825 Tech Center Drive.

Clerk noted that no Public Hearing is required; item will be discussed at the Committee Meeting on February 25, 2008.

Received and Filed

Council

McGregor appointed Evers to Tax Incentive Review Council as legislative representative on that board.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Ewald/Kneeland

No Report.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - McGregor/Anderson.

McGregor stated attended a meeting last week; they did a presentation on crash data; talked about annual meeting in April; will be having a transportation summit in March.

Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Anderson

Anderson stated I attended the school board meeting on February 14th; Jefferson Elementary had a math marcher booster; there is a mentor program for 5th grade students to help younger students; Mark White gave recognition to National Merit Scholars; Jefferson is doing a book drive receiving gently used books; Todd Keenan and Sarah Weber are the contacts for that; April 22nd Eastland Fairfield Career Center is having a ribbon cutting for auto mechanic school; Parks & Recreation service to community nominations due March 30th; do have agenda if anyone would like to see more detail.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor

No Report.

City Attorney

No Report.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT

McAlister stated looking forward to Saturday.
Kneeland stated appreciate Superintendent coming out to talk about MRDD levies; also did some research and will be supporting that legislation.
Samuel thanked Scouts and students; congratulated theater on Beauty and the Beast; sold out all performances.
Evers thanked Scouts and offered congratulations to Domenik Hixon and family; welcomed Wise to first Council meeting.
President thanked Mr. Morrison; he is a council member in Bexley; said our facility is very nice.
Evers stated in favor of special meeting to pass resolution.

Special Meeting called by President McGregor for 6:55 p.m. next Monday, February 25, 2008.

O. ADJOURNMENT: 8:03 p.m. - Motion by Anderson

Jayme Maxwell
Deputy Clerk of Council

APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2008.

Chair Signature