

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 17, 2012

Council May Meet in Caucus Beginning at 6:45 p.m.

7:00 PM

City Hall

City Council

Brian D. Larick, President

Stephen A. Renner, Vice President

Beryl D. Anderson

Karen J. Angelou

Ryan P. Jolley

David L. Samuel

Brandon Wright

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Meeting on Monday, December 17, 2012, at Gahanna City Hall, in Council Chambers, 200 South Hamilton Road. President of Council Brian D. Larick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence for the families and victims of the Newtown CT tragedy. Invocation was given by Council Member Renner followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Anderson. Agenda for this meeting was published on December 14, 2012.

Members Present: Brian D. Larick, Stephen Renner, Karen J. Angelou, David L. Samuel, Beryl D. Anderson, Ryan P. Jolley and Brandon Wright

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA: None.**C. HEARING OF VISITORS: None.****D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:**

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee: None.

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

2012-0043

To Approve the Following Sets of Minutes:

- 1) December 3, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 2) December 4, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes

This Matter was Approved and Filed on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading , Adopt:

[ORD-0251-2012](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Lands & Buildings Capital Projects; and
TRANSFER - Lands & Buildings Capital Projects.

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

[ORD-0252-2012](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Water Purchases

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

[ORD-0253-2012](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Various Street & Sewer Accounts

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

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

[ORD-0250-2012](#)

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ADDENDUM TO EXTEND
SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD WITH SEDGWICK CMS,
AS THE PROVIDER FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR
THE SELF INSURED WORKERS COMPENSATION PROGRAM AND STATE
FUND CLAIMS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

[ORD-0254-2012](#)

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO TEAMING AGREEMENT FOR
SERVICES BETWEEN OARNET AND THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR

SECONDARY INTERNET SOURCE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0255-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, CAPITAL CITY LODGE NO. 9; TO REQUEST A FACTFINDING PANEL; TO EQUALLY SPLIT COSTS OF FACTFINDING; TO CONFIRM MULTI-UNIT BARGAINING; TO EXTEND FACTFINDING TIMELINES; TO CONTINUE TERMS OF THE CURRENT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RETROACTIVITY OF CERTAIN ECONOMIC ITEMS; TO AMEND ORD-0282-2009, WHICH AUTHORIZES THE NEGOTIATED LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0256-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION DISPATCHER UNIT; TO EQUALLY SPLIT COSTS OF FACTFINDING; TO EXTEND FACTFINDING TIMELINES; TO CONTINUE TERMS OF THE CURRENT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RETROACTIVITY OF CERTAIN ECONOMIC ITEMS; TO AMEND ORD-0283-2009, WHICH AUTHORIZES THE NEGOTIATED LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

Ordinances on Second Reading:

ORD-0237-2012

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Golf Course Capital Projects

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0238-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RENT A JOHN PORTABLE SANITATION FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD; FOR PORTABLE RESTROOMS FOR THE GAHANNA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE, VARIOUS CITY PARKS AND SPECIAL EVENTS.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0239-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH MT BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES TO LEASE A MULTI-FUNCTION COPY, PRINT, FAX, SCAN MACHINE FOR THE PARKS AND FACILITIES DIVISION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0242-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE GAHANNA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC) FOR THE YEAR 2013; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0243-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTRAL OHIO HEALTH CARE CONSORTIUM FOR JOINT SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0244-2012

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY FOR PART-TIME PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013; TO REPEAL ORD-0005-2012; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0245-2012

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR COMMAND STAFF PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013; TO REPEAL ORD-0003-2012; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0246-2012

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013; TO REPEAL ORD-0004-2012; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0247-2012

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR UNCLASSIFIED PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013; TO REPEAL ORD-0002-2012; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0248-2012

TO CREATE THE PART-TIME POSITION OF PARALEGAL IN THE CITY ATTORNEY OFFICE; TO ESTABLISH DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; AND TO SET COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

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

ORD-0249-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A GROUND LESSOR ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE; FOR LAND LEASED TO THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OHIO, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

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

Ordinance - To Postpone Indefinitely:

ORD-0211-2012

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AT&T TO RENEW OUR CENTREX SERVICE CONTRACT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading:

RES-0017-2012

TO HONOR AND COMMEND KAREN MCPHERSON

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution:

MR-0047-2012

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointment of John Rosan to fill a 3 year term on the Income Tax Board of Review; to begin January 1, 2013 and expiring

December 31, 2015.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0048-2012

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointments of Jeff Kessler and Cid Canter as trustees of the Community Improvement Corporation; for a three year term commencing January 1, 2013 and expiring December 31, 2015.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Angelou, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President Larick, Renner, Samuel, Angelou, Jolley, Anderson and Wright
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End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Committee of the Whole - Renner:

Renner stated that last Committee of the Whole meeting was last week; on reflection of the year wish to thank colleagues and staff of the administration; tried new format a couple of times to increase efficiency; think it worked well; thank everyone.

Finance & Development - Samuel: No Report.

Parks, Service & Safety - Anderson:

Anderson stated she also wished to thank colleagues and staff; final meeting of Parks, Service & Safety was also last Monday.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk:

2012-0044

Notice to Legislative Authority of a trex D1 liquor permit transfer for Venture53 Restaurants, LLC, dba Smashburger, 109 N. Hamilton Road, Bldg. B from Drabik, Inc., DBA Dantes, 261 W. High Avenue, New Philadelphia, OH 44663. Last day to file objections is January 14, 2013.

Clerk noted that deadline to respond is January 14; assuming no negative report from Police Chief, a motion resolution will be on the January 2 agenda that we have no objection.

Received and Filed

Council: No Report.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.**L. REPRESENTATIVES:****Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick/Renner:**

Renner stated last meeting is tomorrow night at 6:00 pm in committee rooms.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Angelou

Angelou stated they met last Thursday for final meeting of 2012; during Policy Committee, changes were brought and introduced; a change to urban area boundary that goes along with census boundaries and growth for 20 years; hope it will be adopted by 2015; has a 20 year life from that point; some adjustments to MPO boundary; will be brought forward next year; on consent agenda for that meeting was to amend state fiscal year 2012-2015 TIP and it did pass; Gahanna put in a request for an increase in construction funding for SRTS and it was approved; in Commission meeting, resolution passed to allow MORPC to be part of competitive system for home weatherization bidding; vehicle to operate the program; also the resolution to enter into agreement with the William J. Clinton Foundation for the home energy affordability program; last Wednesday evening were invited to meet the class of 2013 to meet our newly elected legislative leaders and county officials; Anthony Jones was there; did attend the ED411 forum done by MODE, MORPC, and Columbus 2020; about 150 attendees; bylaws changes have been going on for years now; asked to accept proposal from committee; along with that it will be put in written form and come back to every entity in May or June; each entity will have to vote; also accepted Educational Services Center of Central Ohio as a pilot associate non-voting member; fiscal budget for operation of MORPC for 2013 was adopted; brought those particular documents; as well as budget for MORPC and will leave in the Council office if anyone wishes to review; also had an update on the top advocacy items; talked about E911 which has been reauthorized; no longer have a sunset provision; 25 cents per month fee from prepaid wireless customers; municipal issue HB601 is a placeholder; sponsor testimony; negotiations continue; a long way from becoming law; no consensus whatsoever; in terms of the local government funds there will be no further cuts; no consensus for them; most important we have hired a new Executive Director; was honored to serve on the committee; William Murdock is a former employee of the City of Gahanna Development Department; process of choosing this Executive Director was lengthy, thorough, and took a lot of time and effort; believe we have a very good person serving in that position; he was welcomed on Thursday and will begin on January 28.

Bd. of Education, Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Wright:

Wright stated all school buildings recapped events for the month; lovely programs at all schools; Heather Bishoff did submit her resignation; there are 23 applicants for the position; started interviewing on Saturday; as an inspiration to students here, Council member Ryan Jolley was elected to the school board when he was 18; don't be afraid to run for office; a passion of mine and Larick's is the Chinese program within school district; federal funding has been cut; what Gahanna offers from elementary to high school you won't find at other schools; if you start in middle school or later, it is too late; need to start early in the elementary school; will be speaking more to the board on that; lot of STARZ testing; good overall impact not only at elementary level.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Jolley:

Jolley stated there have not been any meetings since last report; still in process of

interviewing candidates for Executive Director; hope to have someone in place by late January.

Central Ohio Transit Authority - Samuel:

Samuel stated next meeting is Wednesday morning; note that a new Park & Ride was completed today at Westview and High to replace Graceland Shopping Center.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb stated that first and foremost, our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families and the entire Newtown, CT, community; want to commend the Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools for reaching out to parents immediately on Friday and throughout the weekend to reassure them; would also like to share that the City of Gahanna and Division of Police are committed to the safety of the residents of Gahanna and of the students and staff of Gahanna Jefferson schools; this commitment is built on a strong and unwavering partnership between families, the schools and the City; on a brighter note, earlier this year we announced that the Niagara Bottling Company had invested millions into Gahanna and would bring new jobs; as they prepare to open their latest location, they are hiring; hosting a career fair in Gahanna on Thursday, December 20 from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Gahanna Lincoln High School; also in an effort to communicate with our resident and business members in multiple ways, we like to create concise, informative handouts that address specific issues or topics; am pleased to share one of those pieces with you; this is a summary of the recent resident survey and soon we will have one that is called "Your Money at Work: A Guide to Gahanna's General Fund", which is an updated piece outlining the sources and uses of Gahanna's General Fund; these are tools of communication to help inform the public; invite members of Council to feel free to pass these out to their constituents; they are also available as PDFs on the website; also like to share that all of these pieces were designed in-house by our Public Information Intern, Meggan Fallon; am proud of her work that was done at a fraction of the cost of contracting it out and think you will agree that it looks great; lastly as has been our tradition to present a City flag to our President of Council, would take this opportunity to present our flag to Mr. Larick; has been embroidered with his name and year of service as President of Council; have enjoyed getting to know you; think we have done great things this year; lastly thank leadership of Council and all Council members for their work; wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

City Attorney:

Ewald stated safety in the community is important; sometimes we take our first responders for granted; to students who are here, take some time this holiday season to spend with your family and enjoy your family; every moment is precious; you are at that point where you will be going out in the world; as a teenager there may have been difficult times; as you look back you will appreciate the time spent with family; nothing brings to the forefront these issues more than a tragedy like Newtown; remember also that there are people who are less fortunate even in our community; please consider giving food or time to those causes.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT:

Angelou stated she would like to thank Renner and Larick for leadership this year; has been an exciting year and, as Mayor said, lot of wonderful things accomplished under your leadership; thank our Council office for all their work this year; Directors and Administration, thank you for your help; been extremely helpful coming back after an 8 year hiatus to do the things we've done this year that I think will help everything run

more smoothly; especially thank Teal for that as I think your policy-oriented financial ways are really the way to be going; thank Jones for all his work with the Development Department but also his work with MODE and being a part of the ED411 conference; Chief as always it's how we keep our City safe and after the things that have happened this past week, it was so devastating to watch nonstop for 12 hours, and when you read the names of 6 and 7 years olds it was almost too much to bear; also thank Collins for all you do with Parks & Rec; Franey your work is beyond the best; Wetherholt as long as you've been in this job it never ceases to amaze me how much you get done; thank Braun for all you do as well; wish everyone a Happy Holiday whatever your holiday may be; hopefully we will have brighter tomorrows and we will never have to endure the pain in our own City.

Jolley thanked colleagues and administration and those who attend our meetings; pleasure to be serving this first year on Council; drastically different than school board member; great people in both places but very different issues; as a former school board member and a former teacher it was very tragic to see events on Friday; large audience tonight and as you go out into the world, keep an eye out for signs of distress in yourself and your friends and colleagues; don't be afraid to ask for help; don't be afraid to ask someone if they need help; nothing we should be less ashamed of than our own mental health; have been a long time advocate of mental health parity; know that we have good health insurance in the City but all health insurance plans in this country need to do a much better job working for people instead of against them when it comes to mental health issues; Happy Holidays; looking forward to great work next year to build on what we did this year.

Wright stated it has been a blast being up here; very different to be up here; been a great experience; from the beginning it was pretty rough; has been a year where I met the Vice President and had picture taken with him; got a chance to listen to Governor speak and have met a lot of awesome people who do day-to-day work for the City that are a lot of behind the scenes things you don't know; one thing that is under appreciated; also in this year, if I have offended you in any way it has been a learning experience and next year will be better; great to put on my resume that I have been a Board Trustee of the Foundation; opened my eyes to what we need to do in the City with regard to art and developing that; nice seeing Creekside come back; thank you Jones, Mayor, City Attorney, and Strathmore Company for stepping up; looks a lot better; from representing the ward, people are more enthused on what is going on there; very proud of; speech to students is that I wish you would come more often; this affects you more than state or federal level; can come in and speak to your representatives and we will listen; we are always open here; thank you to Council office staff; and to Police; read in the paper about some of the everyday people who became heroes brought me back to September 11; need to appreciate the day as you never know what may happen, definitely take into appreciation every day you have; I will definitely do that now.

Samuel stated he would thank everyone who has been thanked; also recognize Ken Shepherd who comes regularly to our meetings; thank you for taking interest in Council; challenge residents and business people to take the time if you have a question, to come in and ask; this staff will help you; to students please get involved; go to website at gahanna.gov; requested some information from administration and to this point we have had 2,545 total hits on our budget page; recent resident survey hits total 1,061 and on our financial publications page, which Teal spent a lot of hours on, had 2,659 total hits; getting some hits on that but again - come in, call or talk to anyone here; call our Public Information Manager; like to thank our Vice President and President; asked a lot of probing questions; have an expert in financial affairs and banking and someone with water and sewer knowledge; thank everyone; Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Anderson stated she would also thank everyone who has been thanked; this is my 6th year serving - 1 on BZA and 5 on Council; believe I have chaired every committee; grateful to all my colleagues for all you do in collaborative efforts and to come up with thoughtful innovative ideas to keep City moving; also for working with electorate to make a better Gahanna; to build on that, say to students think about volunteering; many opportunities to volunteer in many different ways; get your feet wet in government; will also add my name to passion for Chinese being taught in schools; my daughter is taking advantage of the program during summer program; hope we will find creative ways to continue that; our interaction, trade, and relationship with China is strong; next like to say Happy Anniversary to Herb Education Center; attended celebration last week; good time had by all; also had opportunity to talk to Bunnie Geroux, the founder of the Center; sang for the occasion at her request; wonderful opportunity for the 40th anniversary; is great to see someone who was such a trailblazer; she has been involved in our City in many ways; women of her age group were not usually involved; her father was an attorney who ran for office so she got her feet wet early; on a music note, had opportunity to see some of our Gahanna students perform with the ProMusica Chamber Orchestra this past Saturday; was the sing-along for Handel's Messiah; was a great event; Stonybrook toy giveaway was last weekend; serviced almost 200 families; went out and bought more toys so everyone was serviced; those toys are being delivered for those we couldn't serve right then; Happy Holidays; finally like to share on note of Newtown, CT, as we come together we are all in this together; as parent of a 6 year old, hugged her tighter; in our community we are fortunate to have support we do; no day is to be taken for granted; we have our own unique gifts and talents; don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today; have reverence for your family and friends; we are all connected in this life for the greater good.

Renner stated it has been a pleasure to serve with all of you; had debates with good times and bad; cherished all year long all the interaction; thanked Mayor and City Attorney for service all year long; your advice has been appreciated; to the Directors, I do know what it is to sit where you are and thank you for your patience and tolerance of some of our questions; public service is not to be taken lightly; to students in back, do consider public service in some shape or form; means that you give and give without asking for something in return; give to where you live; important to the foundations of our community; on a brighter note as Vice President it is my pleasure to give to President Larick a token of appreciation for service as President this year; had no clue at beginning of year what I was getting into; with that said have seen you give a lot to this City; really appreciate your leadership on changes we did; never heard you ask for anything in return.

Larick thanked Council for the gift of the clock; reminder that it continues to click on tonight; happy with the year; we have accomplished many good things; City is moving down the path of better education of our residents, better enlightenment on what we have and who we are; are things where I would like to see more progress; we have focused on some areas; don't have answers to everything; communication and engagement is where we want to improve; there is so much for folks to understand as we move forward in years ahead; thank every member of administration, Mayor and City Attorney cooperating as I scheduled a meeting; to members of Council it has been a pleasure to work with all of you; we have done many things this year; certainly got a good start; thank you for all coming.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Renner, seconded by Anderson, to go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(a) of the Council Rules of Procedure to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public

