



City of Gahanna

Meeting Minutes

City Council

200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Brian D. Larick, President
Jamie Leeseberg, Vice President
Karen J. Angelou
Nancy R. McGregor
Brian Metzbower
Stephen A. Renner
Michael Schnetzer

Kimberly Banning, Clerk of Council
Council may caucus at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, August 6, 2018

7:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, August 6, 2018, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. Acting President of Council, Jamie Leeseberg, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Karen Angelou delivered an Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on August 3, 2018.

Present 6 - Karen J. Angelou, Jamie Leeseberg, Stephen A. Renner, Michael Schnetzer, Brian Metzbower, and Nancy R. McGregor

Absent 1 - Brian D. Larick

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

McGregor said that she would like to make a Motion to remove MR-28-18 from the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by McGregor, seconded by Angelou, to remove MR-28-18 from the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Angelou, Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Metzbower and McGregor

Absent: 1 - Larick

C. HEARING OF VISITORS.

Jeff Leisey, 377 Forestwood Dr.; Forestwood drive is a cut through between Stygler and Stelzer roads; the posted speed limits is 25 mph; stopped at 50 mph and there was another who was going faster than that; spoke with neighbors and was informed that this has been a problem; spoke with Police Department and is ok with having an officer

do speed checks at the end of driveway; maybe we need speed bumps; not uncommon to see cars drive over 60 mph; tired of it; someone is going to get hurt; don't know what options are.

Angelou asked if we could get a portable speed tracker there; sometimes that helps even if for just awhile; speed bumps sometimes cause more damage than help.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Schnetzer introduced the items under Section D.

[ORD-0065-2018](#) TO AMEND SECTION 161.081, CREDIT FOR TAX PAID TO ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY, OF CHAPTER 161, INCOME TAX, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, RELATED TO THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2018, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 75-76, PASSED AUGUST, 1976, SO AS TO INCREASE THE GAHANNA INCOME TAX FROM A RATE OF ONE AND ONE-HALF (1.5%) PERCENT TO A RATE OF TWO AND ONE-HALF (2.5%) PERCENT.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0066-2018](#) TO ACCEPT THE ANNEXATION OF 2.138+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO, LOCATED AT 6595 CLARK STATE ROAD; PARCEL ID NO. 170-001500; FILED BY BRANDON AND TONYA WOGAN, PROPERTY OWNERS.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0067-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- Reserve for Sick and Vacation Fund.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0068-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- OCJS Grant.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0069-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Fleet Program Auction Proceeds.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0070-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- Insurance Claim Proceeds.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0071-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Water Meter Proceeds.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0072-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- Central Park TIF Streetlights.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0074-2018](#) TO GRANT A VARIANCE APPLICATION TO VARY SECTIONS 1109.02(A) STREETS, TO PERMIT PRIVATE STREETS WITHIN THE SITE, AND 1145.05(A) REQUIRED LOT AREA, TO ALLOW FOR FRONTAGE ON A PUBLIC STREET, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 870 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD; PID# 025-001984, 025-001954, AND 025-001877; PINNACLE POINTE; DOUG MADDY, APPLICANT.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

[ORD-0075-2018](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Reimbursements of legal funds to Special Counsel

This Ordinance was Introduced.

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

[2018-0161](#) Minutes - 7-16-2018 Council and 7-23-2018 Committees

Ordinances on Second Reading:

[ORD-0044-2018](#) TO AMEND SECTION 161.081 (CREDIT FOR TAX PAID TO ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0055-2018](#) TO REZONE 0.49+/- ACRES OF PROPERTY TO LIMITED OVERLAY-NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL (L-NC); SAID PROPERTY LOCATED AT 870 E. JOHNSTOWN ROAD; (A PORTION OF) PID# 025-001877; CURRENT ZONING SF-3; PINNACLE POINTE; DOUG MADDY, APPLICANT.

(Advertised in the RFE on 7/12/2018)

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0063-2018](#) DETERMINATION TO PROCEED WITH THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR CERTAIN REAL ESTATE FOR SANITARY SERVICES FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED ON PRICE ROAD

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[ORD-0064-2018](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CARGILL FOR ROAD SALT FOR THE 2018-2019 WINTER SEASON.

This Ordinance was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolutions:

[MR-0028-2018](#) TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS GROTE TO THE CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT AUTHORITY (COTA) BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A THREE YEAR TERM EXPIRING APRIL 2021.

[MR-0030-2018](#) TO AUTHORIZE A THEN AND NOW PURCHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY TWO THOUSAND AND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$32,700) TO COVER THE COST OF THE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN SESSIONS BY MANAGING RESULTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE & ENGINEERING. THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE HAS CERTIFIED THAT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE THEN AT THE TIME INVOICED AND NOW AT THE TIME OF PAYMENT, APPROPRIATED, COLLECTED OR IN THE PROCESS OF COLLECTION AND FREE FROM ANY PREVIOUS ENCUMBRANCE. IT IS HEREBY CONFIRMED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE ABOVE THEN AND NOW PURCHASE UNDER ORD 5705.41(D)(1).

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

[MR-0031-2018](#) MOTION RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,700 TO CONTRACT SERVICES ACCOUNT TO COVER THE COSTS OF STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSIONS BY MANAGING RESULTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE & ENGINEERING. TRANSFER DETAIL ATTACHED.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

[MR-0032-2018](#) MOTION RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND FOR GRANT MONEY AWARDED TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BY THE OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

[MR-0033-2018](#) TO AUTHORIZE A THEN AND NOW PURCHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY ONE THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$51,500) TO COVER THE COST OF THE USE OF FORCE ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION SOFTWARE. THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE HAS CERTIFIED THAT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE THEN AT THE TIME INVOICED AND NOW AT THE TIME OF PAYMENT, APPROPRIATED, COLLECTED OR IN THE PROCESS OF COLLECTIONS AND FREE FROM ANY PREVIOUS ENCUMBRANCE. IT IS HEREBY CONFIRMED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE ABOVE THEN AND NOW PURCHASE UNDER ORD 5705.41(D)(1).

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

[MR-0034-2018](#) MOTION RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,000 FROM POLICE OFFICERS FUND TO POLICE HOLIDAY OVERTIME FUND.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

[MR-0035-2018](#) PERMISSION TO BID STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE.

This Motion Resolution was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Yes: 6 - Angelou, Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Metzbower and McGregor

Absent: 1 - Larick

End of Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARING:

[ORD-0065-2018](#) TO AMEND SECTION 161.081, CREDIT FOR TAX PAID TO ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY, OF CHAPTER 161, INCOME TAX, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, RELATED TO THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2018, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 75-76, PASSED AUGUST, 1976, SO AS TO INCREASE THE GAHANNA INCOME TAX FROM A RATE OF ONE AND ONE-HALF (1.5%) PERCENT TO A RATE OF TWO AND ONE-HALF (2.5%) PERCENT.

Ewald said this language brought forward by Council made a request to put together language for 100% credit instead of reduced credit that we have currently; this automatically goes into effect should the income tax

increase pass on the ballot; would go into effect Jan. 1, 2019; legislation requires minimum of 3 public hearings; this is the 1st.

Leeseberg stated the rules of the public hearings and opened to the public.

Rick Duff, 312 Dunbarton Rd.; here to discuss Ord-65-18; opponent; not necessarily opponent of tax increase but opponent of the 100% credit; believes current rate is fair; believes we should be giving all our money to our local government, but that is a state issue that needs to be fixed; reading through language, has some concerns; would suggest that it be looked at by a few other legal experts; doesn't seem bulletproof in my opinion.

Leeseberg closed the Public Hearing after determining that there were no other opponents, proponents, or rebuttals.

Ewald said this was vetted by a tax law firm; agrees with Duff that this is something a tax professional needs to review; thanked Duff for his comments.

G. COMMITTEE UPDATES

None.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

None.

Clerk

None.

Council

None.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None

K. RESOLUTIONS/MOTION RESOLUTIONS: None

None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Leeseberg

No report.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Angelou

Angelou said August tends to be slower for MORPC, less meetings; will be attending intern final presentation on 8/14; had 6 interns for the City; most of any community; same night will be MORPC night at Clippers; chair of MORPC will throw out first pitch; doesn't think he can throw a strike like she did last year; attending COTA luncheon on 8/16 at Convention Center.

Gahanna-Jefferson Board of Education - Metzbower

Metzbower said they are meeting this Thursday.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Renner

Renner said will be sure to include highlights; will send to Clerk; Visit Gahanna staff met with Superintendent of schools to identify opportunities to meet with groups to drive traffic to businesses here; showcasing Herbal Trail and other tourism opportunities.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor

Mayor said completed 10 projects this year with potential to retain \$34 mil in Capital Improvement; projects in pipeline have potential to create or retain 390 jobs;

City Attorney

No report.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT

Angelou said Corvette Club had another beautiful event this past weekend, with some proceeds coming back to City; tomorrow is National Night Out event at Creekside; wishes everyone a wonderful rest of the week; today is 52nd wedding anniversary; 25th was also spent here; new city hall was not completed back then; would like to celebrate another 50.

Renner said congratulations to Angelou; wants to thank Mayor and staff; a few Fridays ago had ride and share event where we had 10 different makes and models of vehicles to test drive; no details yet but attended and it was well received; was a moderator at AEP event.

Angelou said Renner did fabulous job at the forum; was a lot to be discussed including infrastructure tax; most comes from gas.

McGregor said congrats to Karen and Dick.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION - to go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(c) of the Council Rules of Procedure to confer with the City Attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

A motion was made by Schnetzer, seconded by Angelou, to go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(c) of the Council Rules of Procedure.

Council rose to Executive Session at 7:21 p.m.

Council rose to report from Executive Session with no action taken.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Angelou, Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Metzbower and McGregor

Absent: 1 - Larick

P. ADJOURNMENT

8:00 p.m.