

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 1998

7:45 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Service Committee

Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, Chairman

Thomas R. Kneeland

Sherie James-Arnold

Karen J. Angelou, ex officio

PENDING LEGISLATION

Members Absent: Sherie James-Arnold

Members Present: Thomas R. Kneeland and Rebecca W. Stinchcomb

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TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY ALONG MORSE ROAD; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$37,700 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Recommendation: 2nd Reading, Consent.

This matter was Referred

NEW MATTERS

Bid Opening - Fenchurch & Fairholm (2 ordinances)

Two separate ordinances; one to award the contract on Improvement 694 to Savco & Sons, and one for inspection contract to EMH&T. Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent - 2nd Reading, Consent.

Taylor Road - Right of Way; Quick Takes (5 ordinances)

Wetherholt said we will need 5 ordinances; two may be settled tomorrow; will update Council office; hopefully all will be settled before they would be passed. Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent.

Big Walnut Pedestrian Access (1 ordinance)

Wetherholt said this is not ready to go. Recommendation: Carry on committee agenda for two weeks; June 8 committees.

Street Program - Account Adjustment (motion)

Recommendation: Motion, Consent .

Morse Road - Corps of Engineer Permit

No action required.

Insurance (2 ordinances)

Franey requested two ordinances to authorize entering into contract with the Ohio Municipal League Joint Insurance Pool for insurance coverage; existing contract expires June 4. Hogan said he has some real problems going with OML. Article 7, Section 7.2, Assessments, states that the City could actually be assessed additional premiums at a later date, not just while we are under their coverage, but for any period if the claim would be filed while we are with OML. Also the total reserves for OML are 1.5 million; one law suit could cause us to be assessed; lowest reserve he knows of with any company is 13 to 14 million. Mayor said that is why cities have joined together to help each other; have not been happy with the way claims have been handled in the last several years; no hands on person; want to switch. Hogan said he is worried about the huge claims; not worth \$17,000 difference in bids to take the risk. Committee asked Franey if she could get a binder for 30 to 60 days. Franey said she felt she could. It was

agreed to obtain bids from several local insurance companies and also have someone from OML come out and discuss areas of concern. Recommendation: Obtain binder for 60 days; have representative from OML at next committees, and obtain bids from several local insurance companies. It was also agreed to request references of cities of similar size to ask them questions about coverage with OML.

Imperial Rise Lights

Kelley and James-Arnold were not present so committee felt it was best to defer discussion to next committees. Recommendation: Carry on agenda for June 8 committee meeting.

PENDING

Hunters Ridge Pool

Phil Patterson of Patterson Pools was present along with board members John Hurd and Monty Bowman. Stinchcomb reviewed problems that the Kennedy and Drumm families have been having with water in basements, and continuous running of sump pumps; are concerned with the health, safety and welfare issue. Stinchcomb said that Ron Trivisanno has been hired as a consultant to test borings. Patterson said everything flows the other way, away from the two houses; all in opposite direction; nothing was done underground to cause these problems; surface drainage is hooked into the existing storm sewer; do have a high water table, but that is because it was the wettest April in history. Stinchcomb said the Kennedy family has waterlines of their basement walls. It was hoped that the report from consultant would be available before the June 8 committee meetings. Recommendation: Carry on agenda for the June 8 committees.

980155

TO AMEND CHAPTER 505, ANIMALS AND FOWL, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING FEES FOR IMPOUNDING AND DISPOSITION OF ANIMALS; PROCEDURES REGARDING ANIMAL BITES, QUARANTINE AND REPORT

Recommendation: Carry on agenda for June 8 committees.

Other Attendees

Karen J. Angelou
Debra A. Payne
Dottie Franey
Sadicka White
Mayor McGregor
Tom Weber
Jerry Isler
Karl Wetherholt
News media and visitors

Note: This meeting was recorded by Donna Jernigan, Deputy.