

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 4, 1999

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

GAHANNA'S VISION is . . .

. . . to be an innovative model community that values its rich heritage, pursues high standards, and where citizens respect one another.

Members Absent: L. Nicholas Hogan and Rebecca W. Stinchcomb

Members Present: Debra A. Payne, Karen J. Angelou, Sherie James-Arnold, Thomas R. Kneeland and Robert W. Kelley

GAHANNA'S MISSION is . . .

. . . to ensure an exceptional quality of life by providing comprehensive services, financial stability, and well-planned development which preserves the natural environment, so that city government will continue to be responsive, accessible, and accountable to our diverse and growing community of citizens.

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

Gahanna City Council met on Monday, October 4, 1999, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Robert W. Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with an Invocation by Council Chaplain Debra A. Payne, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA. (None)**C. HEARING OF VISITORS****Executive Jet - Noise readings.**

Richard G. Smith, III, a resident of Blacklick, and Gary P. Strapp, a resident of Gahanna, both representing Executive Jet, Inc., noted they were asked to respond to noise inquiries; in pursuit of this, arranged with Goshen Lane School to place a monitor on the top of that facility; they knew that to register 63.3 dB, the noise would have to last 11 seconds or higher. Said during the test there were airline arrivals and departures. They used the Falcon 2000, which is their largest, and ran both engines simultaneously for 5 minutes. Said the noise never exceeded 57 dB; said they did a take off and low approach, and neither registered; did a full stop, which was a full thrust burst.

Smith said they felt the test was very valid, and felt it proved they are going to be a good neighbor. Advised the residents did not hear a thing.

Payne thanked Smith and Strapp for allowing she and President Kelley to go out for the test. Kelley thanked them for the test. Angelou advised calling area residents and they were pleased; were listening on walk-talky communication; felt this is a positive thing; noted that at the beginning of the year there was an issue as to what these readings would be; felt the neighbors appreciated the testing.

Smith said if anything comes up, to please call; said they will do anything they can do.

School Board - Windy McKenna

Windy McKenna thanked Bob Kelley for coming to their meeting. Advised they were very proud of the outstanding math teacher award given to a Middle School East

teacher; said a co-winner was a teacher of that teacher's children in the Westerville system. Advised they started this year with 6800 students, which is the figure used by the State; noted also \$5,600 donated by prior classes to pay for the school sign. Advised also that they have a new grant writer on board. The board approved several construction contracts. Next meeting is Thursday, October 14.

Curtis Collins, F.B.I.

Curtis Collins of the F.B.I. said was at the meeting to make presentations to Chief of Police Dennis Murphy on the cooperation between the Gahanna Police Department and the F.B.I., and to take the opportunity to recognize the efforts of certain officers; said in a time when law enforcement takes so much of a hit from the media, it is nice to do so.

First, a bank robber by name of Ronnie Lee Hurd; robbed 2 banks in Gahanna and 3 in Columbus; was identified through investigation; said the focus of the investigation was that they were working together and the robber was identified; said a significant part of that was the Gahanna Police Department; also involved a night surveillance, and he was apprehended. Noted Officers Williams, McCormick, and Lloyd. The man was convicted of 3 of 4 robberies and was sentenced to six years in Federal Prison.

The second involved 3 banks, and amounted to \$90,000. The robber Curtiss Mann used firearms in 3 of those robberies; banks hit were: Key Bank, Star Bank, and Bank One. The quick response by Gahanna Police Department resulted in Mann being detained in his car; resulted in a high speed chase. Advised that Mann was convicted of 12 counts of robbery and sentenced to 55 years. Recognized the efforts of 3 patrolmen. Ben Corbin, Jeff Spence, and Dean Blamer.

Also read and then presented a letter to Chief Murphy recapping this recognition. Said the letter was signed by Louis Freed.

President Kelley thanked Collins for being present and for these recognitions.

Tim Pack, Academy Ridge Community Association

Tim Pack, 1019 Ridge Crest Drive, along with Mr. Rikoff of the association, was present to thank this body; said over the last year the association had worked very closely with the City on issues at Beecher and Hamilton; have been privileged to see workings of city government. Thanked Mayor Mc Gregor for all the close contact and work; all the work of engineer Karl Wetherholt for the traffic signal, noting there were a number of issues to be overcome; but, through diligence and determination, was able to get it done. Thanked city development office; said they got into several issues, and support they provided. Chief Murphy, noting there were a number of traffic issues. Appreciated that they were very supportive of us. Pack quoted Franklin D. Roosevelt, who had said "The hardest task if not doing what it right, but knowing what is right." Thanked Council members for their actions. Said as he had gotten into more issues in the association was surprised how many residents were long-term residents. Thanked for all their help.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee

Introduced, by title, by Council member Debra A. Payne.

990473

TO ACCEPT THE FINAL PLAT OF THE PARK AT HARRISON POND, THE VILLAGES AT ROCKY FORK, SECTION 10, PART 1A; EVANS, MECHWART,

- HAMBLETON & TILTON, APPLICANT
- [990474](#) TO ACCEPT THE FINAL PLAT OF THE PARK AT HARRISON POND, THE VILLAGES AT ROCKY FORK, SECTION 10, PART 1B; EVANS, MECHWART, HAMBLETON & TILTON, APPLICANT
- [990475](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Holiday Lights, Special Council Contingency
- [990476](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Police Special Investigations
- [990477](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH UTILITIES REDUCTION SPECIALISTS, INC., FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY
- [990480](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH COLUMBUS ART MEMORIAL, INC., FOR MONOLITH FOR THE GAHANNA VETERAN'S MEMORIAL AT DISCOVERY PARK; AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$42,500
- [990481](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION, Relocation of Pressure Reducing Valve - Hamilton Road and U.S. Route No. 62
- [990483](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH STICKLEN-BELSHEIM ENGINEERING FOR EXPANDED TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STUDIES; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$24,089 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
- [990484](#) TO CREATE THE POSITION OF PART-TIME ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; TO SET COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member James-Arnold, seconded by Council Member Angelou, to Pass the Consent Agenda, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent	2	Council Member Hogan and Council Member Stinchcomb
Yes	5	Vice President of Council Payne, Council Member Angelou, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and President of Council Kelley

Minutes - To Approve - September 13 , Special Meeting; September 20, 1999

A motion was made to Approve

Ordinances on Second Reading

[990440](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Police Overtime

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[990441](#) TRANSFER OF FUNDS - Law Enforcement Overtime Grant

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[990442](#) TO ACCEPT 6.49+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO, REQUESTED BY ROBERT N. KERTZINGER, ET AL.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[990447](#)

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH ARNOLD & ASSOCIATES FOR APPRAISAL OF EASEMENTS FOR A PORTION OF THE EASTGATE TIF; EAST INDUSTRIAL SEWER, IMPROVEMENT NO. 727; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$3,200; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

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

[990449](#)

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN ROCK SALT CO., LLC, FOR ROCK SALT FOR THE 1999-2000 SEASON

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[990450](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Capital Projects, Streets

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinances - Postpone to October 18, 1999

[990411](#)

TO CREATE THE FULL-TIME UNCLASSIFIED POSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE; TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Postponed to Date Certain on the Consent Agenda.

[990412](#)

TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 980440, WHICH PROVIDED RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR UNCLASSIFIED PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1998, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000, TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

This Matter was Postponed to Date Certain on the Consent Agenda.

[990448](#)

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH WAYNE E. PACE FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY NEGOTIATIONS AND ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS FOR THE EAST INDUSTRIAL SANITARY SEWER PROJECT; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$10,600 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Postponed to Date Certain on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading

[990478](#)

ENDORSING ISSUES 20 AND 21 ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT TO SECURE FUNDING FOR THE CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

[99047](#)

TO DECLARE THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23-31 AS CENTRAL OHIO RED RIBBON WEEK

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Resolution

[990482](#)

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE DEMOLITION OF 6000 TAYLOR ROAD BY HAULING SOLUTIONS A.P.S., INC., 1945 Cleveland Avenue, Columbus, FOR THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS in accordance with letter quotation dated September 22, 1999, and in accordance with City

specifications. Further, said funding is hereby available and authorized by this Council from ACCOUNT NO. 230.350.5447, STORM SEWER, MISCELLANEOUS.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

End of the Consent Agenda

Presentation Commentary

Regarding support of the COTA Levy, Payne said she appreciates the support; said if we can pass this levy, it will allow us additional dollars that we could not otherwise get as a single community.

Officer Tribbie was presented the resolution on D.A.R.E. Tribbie advised that he had students present to give elected officials on the dais a red ribbon, with the request that they wear this ribbon through October 31. Tribbie said it is his job to instruct young people and he would do so as long as he is allowed to by the police department. Kelley said he was privileged to introduce the D.A.R.E. Program to Gahanna. Angelou noted that she had supported and hopes to keep the program up; said Tribbie is doing an excellent job.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS (None)

G. STANDING COMMITTEES Reports had been distributed on meetings of September 25.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS

Clerk - (Legal)

990406 To consider a recommendation to Council of the Gahanna Bikeway Master Plan as presented by the Bicycle Advisory Committee.

1st Available Public Hearing date: November 15, 1999

Set for November 15, 1999.

990485 Recommendation from Planning Commission on the Fence Code.

Set for November 15, 1999.

Council

990486 Motion to approve the President's appointments to the Special Standards Committee as follow:

Representing Council: Bob Kelley, Debra Payne, Tom Kneeland.

Representing Planning Commission: Maurice Bittner and Dave Thom

Representing Board of Zoning and Building Appeals: Bob Fischer and John Hurd.

A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent	2	Council Member Hogan and Council Member Stinchcomb
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Yes	5	Vice President of Council Payne, Council Member Angelou, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and President of Council Kelley
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I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinances Reported Out of Committee

990451

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Capital Projects/Equipment Police

A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	Vice President of Council Payne, Council Member Angelou, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and President of Council Kelley
Absent	2	Council Member Hogan and Council Member Stinchcomb

990454

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SUSTAINING CONTRACT WITH BURNS, BERTSCH & HARRIS, INC., FOR PLANNING SERVICES

Amend to add memorandum to Director White from Dale Bertsch, dated October 1, 1999, titled, "Proposed Activity for 1999-2000."

A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	Vice President of Council Payne, Council Member Angelou, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and President of Council Kelley
Absent	2	Council Member Hogan and Council Member Stinchcomb

Angelou agreed that we have used this firm before and knows there is some discussion on when we should move to a new approach; said in this case, she feels it is a good idea to have Burns, Bertsch; reminded that we did not agree with everything that came out of the Heartland Study; and we sent it back; not sure we are always best at knowing what is good for us.; said sometimes an outside force comes in and shows us what we are not aware of.

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Payne, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, that this matter be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	5	Vice President of Council Payne, Council Member Angelou, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and President of Council Kelley
Absent	2	Council Member Hogan and Council Member Stinchcomb

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

K. REPRESENTATIVES

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kneeland - Oct. 20, Heartland Bank

L. OFFICIAL REPORTS

M. COUNCIL COMMENT

James-Arnold said she was glad to have the weeds removed from the Johnstown Road office building that backs up to 62; said now if we can work on the Bonded station; felt

it is now up to business owners do their part. Said with red ribbon--was there, heard Chief Kelley; important for community, children; time to come together; needs to carry over to high school. Noted the high school has incorporated the anonymous phone number program; reminded of the many parents who were buying alcohol for their children. Thanked Kelley and Angelou for everything that they did.

Angelou felt D.A.R.E was the best thing she had ever done; said she found the only to make people understand it was to have people in and explain it. Reminded that Council has funded it ever since; feels it is a small price to pay for saving at least one person; is a good thing to have.

Angelou asked how long the work will go on with the bridge. Karl Wetherholt responded, "Two months on each side."

Kelley thanked Bill Tribbie for being present tonight and for his work with D.A.R.E.; said he will always vote for funding for this program.

N. ADJOURNMENT - 8:15 p.m.

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Payne, seconded by Council Member Angelou, to Adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

End of Agenda

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2012.

Chair Signature