

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 2, 2002

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

Michael O'Brien, President of Council

Robert W. Kelley, Vice President of Council

Karen J. Angelou

L. Nicholas Hogan

John McAlister

Debra A. Payne

David B. Thom

Isobel L. Sherwood, CMC/AEE, Clerk of Council

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, December 2, 2002, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 S. Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. Vice President of Council Robert W. Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. The invocation was given by Greg Rosser, Associate Pastor, Shepherd Church of the Nazarene followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Payne. Agenda for this meeting was published on November 27, 2002.

Members Absent: Michael O'Brien

Members Present: David B. Thom, Karen J. Angelou, Debra A. Payne, L. Nicholas Hogan, Robert W. Kelley and John McAlister

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Angelou noted that ORD-0244-2002 was rewritten to include new language in the code section at the request of the City Attorney.

ORD-0245-2002

TO GRANT VARIANCE FROM SECTION 1109.02(b), STREETS; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON MCCUTCHEON ROAD, EAST OF STYGLER ROAD, WEST OF OLDE RIDENOUR ROAD; TO VARY PAVEMENT WIDTH FROM 26' TO 19' FOR THAT PORTION OF MCCUTCHEON ROAD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Council Member Payne, seconded by McAlister, that this matter be Removed From Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	6	Council Member Thom, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
Absent	1	President of Council O'Brien

C. HEARING OF VISITORS:

Tom Liskay, 457 Tresham Road, stated he wished to speak on Hunters Ridge Pool purchase; support that purchase; it is like when I cosign for teenage son, same thing; we have no choice; do support that; am a member of Foxboro Pool Board; in discussions at meetings we ask that you consider in your decisions how they will affect other pools; we have 3; feel town can support all 3; unfortunately one has fallen out; would be a shame to close this pool; hope a neighborhood group steps forward to operate this; everybody has their niche; in the long range plan we do have a concern; YMCA will have an outdoor pool; don't know that we can support 4 outdoor pools in this town; we each have our own unique audiences; there is an overlap but that changes - as children grow older they may leave us and go to the Swim Club; as you make these deliberations on what will happen please keep us in mind; wanted to express my concern on the outdoor pool at YMCA; am not in adversarial position; hope all three pools can coexist. Angelou asked Liskay if she felt that each pool had their own niche; do you feel that they overlap at all; is there some overlap. Liskay said that each pool has a significant base from neighborhood; west side, southeast and northeast; as children grow older they may leave Foxboro and go to Gahanna pool to be with friends; there is overlap; as prices change some have even gone up to Westerville; some have come back; Swim Club has been very successful in bringing people back the last couple of years.

Windy McKenna, Gahanna Jefferson Board of Education, stated there has not been a meeting since her last report; just wanted to say thank you to White and her staff and

everyone involved in Holiday Lights; schools are pleased and proud to support this endeavor; with regard to the pool situation would like to make a comment; in the past there didn't seem to be a significant number of people going to private clubs; believe that element needs to be taken into consideration at this time; private pools like Jefferson Country Club should be considered in all of your discussions also.

Jan Voelker, 232 Dunbarton Road, stated she was here on behalf of the community area on that side of town; apparently the not so good side of Gahanna as people are telling me; was at last committee meeting when you were discussing the budget; in that budget that was whacked from \$12 million to \$7 million, two critical things were deleted; those were improvements to Hermitage and Dunbarton; ask you tonight to please reconsider those issues; look at sewage issues also and put those back in the budget; they have repeatedly been taken off budget; been made promises over and over; happen to live on wrong side of tracks; is being ignored; requesting you review and put back on budget.

Payne stated we don't have a wrong side of Gahanna; none of us feel that; we want to develop all of Gahanna in a wonderful way. Kelley stated he has lived on the west side for 40 years. Angelou stated that having represented the area for 14 years and living on Dunbarton for 20 years, know that a lot of time and effort has been spent on west side; is an older section of town; is a wonderful area to live and raise a family; believe a lot of monies spent on west side have been spent underground so it isn't seen; things that needed to be taken care of like storm water infiltration; redoing some streets in Royal Manor; west side has not been forgotten at all; creek was a division and is now a drawing card; that's a plus for Creekside; indeed our City is no longer two parts but one whole.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Payne.

ORD-0239-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY AND THE VILLAGE OF NEW ALBANY FOR THE MORSE ROAD AT USR 62 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT NO. 753; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0241-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH NOVINITY, INC. MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BROCHURE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0242-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 2003 FISCAL YEAR WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS BEFORE THE FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT CHARGED WITH VIOLATIONS UNDER GAHANNA ORDINANCES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0243-2002

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Hunters Ridge Pool

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0244-2002

TO AMEND SECTION 133.05 - RETURN CHECK CHARGE OF CHAPTER 133 - DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY

OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced

ORD-0246-2002

TO AMEND SECTION 713.13, SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS, OF CHAPTER 713, BILLIARD ROOMS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced, to Committee of the Whole

E. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes - To Approve

2002-0002

To approve minutes of the following meetings:

- 1) December 2, 2002 Regular Meeting.

This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinances on Second Reading

ORD-0225-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GEORGE PARKER FOR CONTINUING SERVICES ON THE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN OF CREEKSIDE.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0226-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ACS TITLE AND CLOSING SERVICES FOR TITLE EXAMINATION OF 133 MILL STREET.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0227-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE MID OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITH REGARD TO INFRASTRUCTURE AND CLEAN OHIO PROGRAMS.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0228-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GOLDEN TOUCH CAR AND VAN WASH, INC., FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR STARTING JANUARY 1, 2003 AND CONTINUING THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2003, FOR WASHING AND CLEANING OF OFFICIAL CITY VEHICLES.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0230-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAHANNA AND CHARLES W. HENDERSON FOR GAHANNA ANIMAL CONTROL.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0231-2002

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Double Z Construction, Low Water Crossing

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0232-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH GCC ENGINEERS TO INCLUDE SANITARY SEWER PLANS FOR OGDEN ALLEY; IMPROVEMENT NO. 774; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$9,305; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0233-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH TERRA SURVEYING SERVICES COMPANY, FOR SURVEYING FOR RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION, OGDEN ALLEY; IMPROVEMENT NO. 774; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$6,500; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0234-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ME COMPANIES FOR APPRAISAL, TITLE WORK NEGOTIATIONS AND RECORDING OF RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION FOR PROPERTIES ON OGDEN ALLEY; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$18,250; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0235-2002

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH WPS ENERGY SERVICES, INC., FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC AGGREGATION SERVICES AND POWER SUPPLY, FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance - To Amend by Substitution and Adopt

ORD-0220-2002

TO ACCEPT A CONTRIBUTION BY ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CHURCH TOWARD THE WIDENING OF HAVENS CORNERS ROAD

This Matter was Amended by Substitution and Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Postponed to Date Certain - December 16, 2002:

ORD-0229-2002

TO ADOPT THE LAND USE PLAN, 2002 UPDATE BY BURNS, BERTSCH & RAINEY

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

Motion Resolution

MR-0066-2002

MOTION RESOLUTION TO REQUEST PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES FOR NO BUILD ZONES/FENCES.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

MR-0067-2002

To approve the refund of a \$75 fee for variance paid by James David Jones; for property located at 277 N. Stygler Road.

This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

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

Yes	6	Council Member Thom, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
Absent	1	President of Council O'Brien

End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Communications & Technology Committee - McAlister: No Report.

Development Committee - Thom: No Report.

Service Committee - Hogan: No Report.

Safety Committee - Angelou: No Report.

Committee of the Whole - Kelley: No Report.

Finance - Payne:

Payne stated appropriation meetings start next week; will start at 6:00 p.m. next Monday for one hour and then go into regular committees; will have a Finance Committee on Tuesday to also start at 6:00 p.m. and will go until around 10:00 p.m. and then decide on future dates; will set those two days for appropriations. Hogan stated he had a Kiwanis commitment on Monday but 6:00 p.m. is fine.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal:

2002-0063

Recommendation from Planning Commission to recommend to Council the repeal of ORD-0022-2001; to abandon a portion of McCutcheon Road as a public roadway with utility easements to be maintained; to declare as excess land; for 0.106 acres and 0.553 acres located on McCutcheon Road east of Stygler Road and west of Olde Ridenour Road.

Received and Filed

Council:

Hogan stated an E-mail had been received from Gahanna Swim Club; will be making comments at end of meeting.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinances Reported Out of Committee:

ORD-0212-2002

TO ADOPT THE CITY OF GAHANNA OFFICE & INDUSTRIAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM GUIDELINES PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

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

Yes	6	Council Member Thom, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
Absent	1	President of Council O'Brien

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

Yes	6	Council Member Thom, Council Member Angelou, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan, Vice President of Council Kelley and McAlister
Absent	1	President of Council O'Brien

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kelley:

Kelley stated next meeting is January 27, 2003.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Payne:

Payne stated that at least meeting of MORPC a couple of items passed that may be of interest; one was the legislative priority platform; will be working with General Assembly; one issue is local government taxation; will give to Clerk to copy for everyone on Council; second issue is Emergency Preparedness Task Force Follow Up Reports; will have copies made of that also; General Williams is working on that task force; third issue is that we adopted the dues for next year; increased by \$.01-1/2 cents per capita for dues; based on our population; will distribute how that was determined.

Payne continued that she attended the Regional Development Forum; Mayor of Indianapolis was speaker; spoke about regional collaboration; very good presentation.

Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Angelou: No Report.

Gahanna/Jefferson Joint Committee - Hogan & Thom: No Report.

L. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb stated she wanted to publicly thank volunteers and City employees, both paid and volunteer, for their time; many of them worked all day Friday and Saturday to make sure parade stepped off; thank all the volunteers and the committee; was a very special parade once again.

City Attorney:

Weber stated he wanted to reinforce Payne's comments; income tax and the local government fund will need to be watched closely; is an attack against home rule by cities that is quite serious; are many anti city members of General Assembly that will need to be watched; very concerned; things are not looking good.

M. COUNCIL COMMENT:

Thom stated he wanted to commend the Development Department and Blue Ribbon Committee; was a wonderful event; most of Council survived the parade; was a good time; beautiful floats; thank everyone who put in a lot of hard work.

Angelou thanked Parks & Recreation as well; they have a lot of behind the scenes

people; like to thank all for their work; also General Williams for getting floats down; took me till Sunday afternoon to feel warm; in the past have complained about rain; there was something worse; everybody we saw leaving said it was wonderful and great; we have a wonderful volunteer community that makes successful events; everyone going to NLC have a wonderful time.

Hogan also thanked all volunteers; parade was great; don't know how process works for reviewing for what went well; feel volunteers were out there longer than they needed to; timing was poor this year; had some big gaps; our float was second last; think first float took off at 6:00 and at 6:51 we were just getting out; bringing this up for volunteers who need to stand out there; it was cold; maybe we could ask a professional to donate their time; one suggestion I have. Stinchcomb stated they had met this morning to critique and will continue to do that along with committee; always things you can do better; General Williams had police radio and service radio and trying to listen to both; Sims was trying to get salt trucks out at same time; had a little white out blizzard when we were kicking off parade; you are right and we talked about a number of things already; will implement next year.

Hogan stated there were two other issues he wanted to touch on; as far as other side of town; can understand that is perception from several years ago; this goes to providing basic services first; that's what Council has to do; if you start doing all these extra things and not taking care of sewers your priorities are messed up; for example the bridge on James Road was delayed and taken out of the budget for several years; I brought forward this year and it is now in the process; we have worked hard on the west side; have done sewer remediation of over \$2 million; basic services have to come first; with regard to the pools; received an outstanding E-mail from Gahanna Swim Club; he pointed out one thing - let the market take care of the market; have seen in the pool situation where we can step in and screw things up; maybe pool would have gone under several years ago; we don't know what would have happened; point he had is that before we do something else with this particular pool really need to listen to Foxboro and Swim Club to see how it will affect their business; maybe we shouldn't be doing anything; if YMCA is thinking of taking over Hunters Ridge pool and it is market driven then so be it; we are using taxpayer funds and it's inappropriate to compete with Foxboro and Swim Club; don't want to do something quickly.

Angelou stated she wanted to discuss some of the issues in that E-mail; can discuss ordinance next week.

McAlister stated he had previous engagement out of town where it was warm and was unable to attend the parade; realize tonight how long I've been in Gahanna; is a person in the audience tonight who doesn't realize this but brought it home to me; he's here with government class tonight - my next door neighbor Brian Clutter - as a member of the senior class; wasn't born when I moved here.

Kelley thanked everyone involved in Holiday Lights; the lighting coming in from west side sets off everything; is a marvelous addition to Holiday Lights parade; also want to thank Chief; showed up Saturday night without a hat and he found one for me; thank you.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

O. ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 p.m. - Motion by Angelou.

End of Agenda

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

*APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2012.*

Chair Signature