

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, April 16, 2001**

**7:30 PM**

**City Hall**

## **City Council**

*Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, President of Council*

*Michael O'Brien, Vice President of Council*

*Karen J. Angelou, Council Member*

*L. Nicholas Hogan, Council Member*

*Thomas R. Kneeland, Council Member*

*Debra A. Payne, Council Member*

*Donald R. Shepherd, Council Member*

*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, April 16, 2001, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Rebecca Stinchcomb called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. Council Vice President Mike O'Brien led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Colonel Roland Hall.

**Members Absent:** Donald R. Shepherd

**Members Present:** Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, Karen J. Angelou, Michael O'Brien, Debra A. Payne, L. Nicholas Hogan and Thomas R. Kneeland

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**B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA: None.****C. HEARING OF VISITORS:**

Peter Rosato, Calfee, Halter & Griswold, 1650 Fifth Third Center, 21 E. State Street, stated he was present on behalf of Ameritech to address the issue of the proposed right of way ordinance and speak to our opposition in its current form; Ameritech Ohio has had a positive relationship with the City; want to continue to work with the City in regard to telecommunications; believe this legislation will have a negative impact on Ameritech's ability to service residents of Gahanna; under state law we must serve all customers within the City of Gahanna without consideration to costs; this is why we are sensitive to regulative attempts to control our operation which could result in increased costs; ordinance, in its current form, will increase costs and affect timely service; have been trying to work with City and feel we have stated our concerns and that they have not adequately been addressed; would like to continue to work with the City  
Stinchcomb stated there will be one large committee next week and this item will be first on the agenda at 7:00 p.m.

**D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE****Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee**

Ordinances, introduced, by title, by Payne.

**ORD-0089-2001**

TO AMEND ORD-0287-2000, WHICH PROVIDED RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR UNCLASSIFIED PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2001, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2001, TO PROVIDE FOR THE HIRING OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AT MORE THAN THE BOTTOM OF THE RANGE.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0090-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PLANET FORD, FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR FORD CROWN VICTORIA POLICE CRUISERS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced**

**ORD-0091-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Sewer Line Repair

**Introduced**

**ORD-0092-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO DEED OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 533 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD; TO

WAIVE TAP IN FEES AND ACCOMPANYING CHARGES FOR CITY WATER TO 533 EAST JOHNSTOWN ROAD AS COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$7,110 TO REIMBURSE THE WATER FUND FOR SAID FEES.

**Introduced, to Finance Committee**

**ORD-0093-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Sewer Backup

**Introduced**

**ORD-0094-2001**

TO AMEND CHAPTER 931, COMPREHENSIVE RIGHT OF WAY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Introduced, to Finance Committee**

**E. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes - To Approve:**

**2001-0006**

To approve minutes of the following meetings:

1) December 3, 2001 Regular Meeting

**This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.**

**Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading , Adopt**

**ORD-0071-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION- West Gahanna Entry, Phase II

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

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

**ORD-0072-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT FOR THE US 62 CORRIDOR BETWEEN I-270 AND THE BIG WALNUT CREEK; 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-0056-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Gahanna Dispute Resolution Center

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0073-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH J.D. EQUIPMENT, INC., FOR SKID STEER AND TRAILER FOR THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0074-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH BYERS CHEVROLET, FOR AN S-10 PICKUP TRUCK, FOR THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0075-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Emergency Management Agency for Franklin

County

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0076-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH STILSON CONSULTING GROUP FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2001 STREET REPAIR PROGRAM, IMPROVEMENT NO. 764; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0078-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH BENATEC ASSOCIATES TO STUDY THE CITY OF GAHANNA'S GARAGE, FLEET AND FUEL MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$25,000 THEREFOR.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0079-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH STILSON CONSULTING GROUP FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE LANSDOWNE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, IMPROVEMENT NO. 760; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0080-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH BOB MCDORMAN CHEVROLET, FOR A 1-TON DUMP TRUCK FOR THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0081-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH BUCKEYE POWER SALES, FOR A CHIPPER, FOR THE STREETS DEPARTMENT.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0082-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH MYERS SCHMALENBERGER TO REDUCE THE PROJECT SIZE FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE WEST GAHANNA GATEWAY LANDSCAPE PROJECT, PHASE II, IMPROVEMENT NO. 758; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$15,000; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0083-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH J.D. EQUIPMENT, INC., FOR TWO TRACTORS, FOR THE STREETS DEPARTMENT, AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0084-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH J.D. EQUIPMENT, INC., FOR TWO MOWERS AND A LOADER, FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$5700.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0085-2001**

TO CREATE THE FULL-TIME UNCLASSIFIED POSITION OF SECRETARY TO CITY ENGINEER; TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION THEREFOR; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$7,500 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN

EMERGENCY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0086-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION FOR THE 2001 STREET REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT NO. 764; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0087-2001**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH NICK SAVKO FOR THE LANSDOWNE AVENUE REBUILD, IMPROVEMENT NO 760; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Ordinance - To Postpone Indefinitely**

**ORD-0044-2001**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Council, Universal Network Access

**This Matter was Postponed Indefinitely on the Consent Agenda.**

**Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading**

**RES-0005-2001**

RECOGNIZING ARBOR DAY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**RES-0006-2001**

TO URGE THE UNITED STATES POST OFFICE TO CONSIDER ITS RELOCATION AND SPACE REQUIREMENT DECISIONS FOR THE GAHANNA BRANCH

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Motion Resolution**

**MR-0026-2001**

Motion Resolution that the City has no objection to the request for Transfer of D5 & D6 Liquor Permits from Fifty Five Restaurant Group Ltd to Gahanna Montana Mining Co.

**This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.**

**MR-0027-2001**

Motion Resolution that the City has no objection to the request for Transfer of D1, D2, D3, D3A and D6 Liquor Permits from Cap City of Gahanna, Ltd. to Cameron Mitchell Restaurants LLC.

**This Matter was Approved on the Consent Agenda.**

**Passed The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Vice President of Council O'Brien, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Stinchcomb, Council Member Angelou, Vice President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Council Member Kneeland
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Council Member Shepherd

**End of the Consent Agenda**

**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**

**G. STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Communications & Technology Committee - Kneeland: No Report.**

**Development Committee - Payne: No Report.**

**Service Committee - Hogan: No Report.**

**Safety Committee - Shepherd: No Report.**

**Committee of the Whole - O'Brien: No Report.**

**Finance - Angelou:**

Angelou stated that invited to Finance Committee next week are the School Board, Mifflin Township Trustees and Fire personnel to come for a presentation on Safety Town; observing their 20th anniversary; is a great program; was able to meet with Dave Brizius and Carl Schmueckle; serving with Nancy White as part of Safety Town Board; was a wonderful presentation and felt all of Council should see it; is a first class program that is very affordable; has been scheduled during Finance Committee for 8:15 p.m.

Payne asked when Safety Town was held. Angelou replied it was in June; scope of this program is wonderful; every child gets a bicycle helmet and t-shirt; wonderful program we should be proud of.

**H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:**

**Clerk - Legal**

**Z-0001-2001**

To consider a zoning change application to rezone 3+ acres currently zoned CC and CS; for properties located at 93 South Stygler, 101 South Stygler, 111 South Stygler; to allow for office use; Gary Cheses, applicant. (Public Hearing held on March 28, 2001 and April 11, 2001).

President set Public Hearing for May 21, 2001.

**MR-0028-2001**

Motion Resolution that the City has no objection to the request for New C1 and C2 Liquor Permits for Smokers Express Inc., 1343 StoneRidge Drive, Gahanna, Ohio.

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

<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Council Member Shepherd
<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Stinchcomb, Council Member Angelou, Vice President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Payne, Council Member Hogan and Council Member Kneeland

**Council:**

Stinchcomb acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Hartford Police Department addressed to Chief of Police regarding a misunderstanding; will speak to Chief when he is back from vacation; just wanted to acknowledge that I received it.

Angelou requested that the administration do not send Council mail to City at City address and spend 34 cents; should be some way to control that.

## I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

### Ordinances Reported Out of Committee

#### ORD-0077-2001

#### SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Alcohol Training & Enforcement

Hogan stated he had some concern about ordinance; not the motorcycle training itself but how funded; Finance Director has told me that this really is a push from this fund; basically sending an officer to be trained on how to ride a motorcycle and paying for it from the DUI fund; that is designed to keep drunk drivers off the road, set up checks for sobriety, and to teach kids not to drink; are other things money could be used for; motorcycle officer may be in a DUI situation but it will not be primary function; if asked for a straight supplemental would reconsider it but not with money coming from DUI fund.

Angelou stated she was concerned with the way it is being funded; that is not the reason I won't support; don't feel there is a need for motorcycles; they will have to transition back to cars in inclement weather; are other costs in the initial 6 month test period; this is 80 hours of training; 2 weeks for someone to be gone; another 120 hours can be done after that; see no reason for this at this time; can't support.

O'Brien stated he has spoken with Mayor and Chief; also other officers involved with researching this issue of motorcycle patrol; see the good points made by Hogan and Angelou; personally believe there is a place for a 2 wheel vehicle; can go places where our cars can't; can patrol and clock speeders in troubled areas without being noticed as much; in doing those kinds of traffic enforcement motorcycles in a stealth or somewhat invisible situation are able to stop drivers that may have other things going on in their vehicles; understand there must be probable cause to stop to determine if they are impaired; weaving or speeding or some reason to stop for those reasons; is a relatively low cost; if we are not going to do beyond 6 months, could be an extreme cost; paying for education that may not be used but can't believe there isn't something we won't gain.

Payne stated she will be supporting; attended same meeting where Chief shared with us places they can use the motorcycle; this is a train the trainer session; is not standard training that everyone will go to; officer will train other officers; don't have to pay for bikes during that trial period; lease programs are available; opportunities are available; will be supporting.

Angelou asked Isler about insurance. Isler stated that information had been sent; cost is about \$1,200 up from \$400. figures are from our insurance agent.

Stinchcomb stated she had some concern about this; concluded that we probably do need to have a motorcycle patrol considering the size of our city; think that is important; do think anytime we can get the officers closer to the public then it is better; lot of situations these will be able to be used - parades, Creekside; Columbus drives their motorcycles 12 months a year; all the time except in severe icy conditions; is not just a sunny day opportunity; will have to be careful how we proceed; is one additional source of transportation that we have for police officers.

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

<b>Yes</b>	<b>4</b>	President of Council Stinchcomb, Vice President of Council O'Brien, Council Member Payne and Council Member Kneeland
<b>No</b>	<b>2</b>	Council Member Angelou and Council Member Hogan
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Council Member Shepherd

**J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.**

**K. REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kneeland**

Kneeland stated next meeting is tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. at Heartland Bank; will try to attend.

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

Payne noted annual meeting is Thursday.

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

**Gahanna/Jefferson Joint Committee - O'Brien: No Report.**

**L. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

**Mayor: No Report.**

**City Attorney: No Report.**

**M. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Hogan thanked Colonel Hall and Service Department; has been a lot of rain recently; found it amazing that they cleaned out catch basins before the big rain; thank Service Department for that.

O'Brien stated he wanted to publicly acknowledge that he missed his meeting on Saturday morning; did agree to be here for Ward Redistricting; have no excuses; Angelou was here and I didn't show; publicly apologize to her; she is a tireless Council person and if anyone should qualify for full time status it would be her; do apologize; do appreciate your being here.

Stinchcomb stated the City has been working with a contractor to replace the hydrants in areas of Hunters Ridge; Hume Drive did not have water today and they were not notified; found out that pipe was crimped during installation; was an unexpected outage; believe that Ronson and Walbridge are scheduled for tomorrow; understand emergency situations; think that bright green door hangers notifying residents are being distributed; how far in advance are they going out; want people to have a water supply on hand. Colonel Hall stated he will check and let her know. Stinchcomb stated that 3 to 4 days warning would be nice; emergency is one thing.

Hogan asked if we had heard about trees in Rathburn Woods. Stinchcomb stated she and Hogan had spoken with a constituent; airport has been working with the Development Department; some of the trees in our industrial area have gotten to be tall and interfering with lighting and radar; will mediate those trees with other plantings; in



the meantime they have gone into Rathburn Woods and on to private property, including breaking a lock and going into a back yard, and marked a tree to be removed; confirmed with White that they have no authority; dropped letters to some residents asking for permission and the residents did not give permission; did contact the airport; this constituent will not let them off. Hogan stated they went so far as to put orange ribbons on the trees, put rock at base with a number on the bottom in case the ribbon was removed; is being done by a contractor for the airport. Stinchcomb would like Development Department to follow up and communicate with airport and make sure private property is not entered without permission.

**N. ADJOURNMENT: 8:02 p.m. - Motion by Kneeland.**

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**Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC  
Clerk of Council**

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

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**Chair Signature**