

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, June 2, 2008**

**Council May Meet in Caucus Beginning at 7:00 p.m.**

**7:30 PM**

**City Hall**

## **City Council**

*Nancy R. McGregor, President*

*Thomas C. Evers, Vice President*

*Beryl D. Anderson*

*Shane Ewald*

*Thomas R. Kneeland*

*John R. McAlister*

*David L. Samuel*

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

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

*Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, June 2, 2008, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Nancy McGregor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. McGregor delivered the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on May 30, 2008.*

**Members Absent:** Thomas C. Evers

**Members Present:** Nancy R. McGregor, Thomas R. Kneeland, Shane W. Ewald, John McAlister, Beryl D. Anderson and David L. Samuel

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**B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

*McAlister stated that this resolution will be after the fact; regarding the so called economic stimulus package which the Governor is going to sign; believe there are some things all of us can agree on, but this resolution is not ready for prime time; some factual errors in the whereas clauses; that's why I'm asking to postpone.*

*MOTION by McAlister, seconded by Anderson, to postpone RES-0011-2008 until the June 16, 2008 meeting. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: McAlister, Anderson, Ewald, Kneeland, McGregor, Samuel. Motion carried.*

**C. HEARING OF VISITORS:**

*Bob St. Germain, 934 Cherrybottom Road, stated he was here in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of the Chamber of Commerce; two-fold reason for being here; first is to announce officially we have moved to 181 Granville; puts us into a newer facility; once we get our signage up will have greater visibility; have co-located with CVB and Gahanna Events; lot of energy and synergies for sharing resources etc; believe we have unique but complementary mission; believe this move is for the betterment of the community through the enhancement of our mission; sincerely thank all of you for your cooperation and support in making that possible; without your support we would not have been able to accomplish this; here on behalf of the 465 business members who understand your role in making that happen; Evers is not present but he played a particular role in this and thank him for his participation; will be holding an open house which is scheduled for Thursday, July 17; first of many we hope will take place; will be sending out invitations but please get it on your calendars; thank you for the opportunity to speak.*

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

*Ordinances introduced, by title, by Kneeland.*

**ORD-0124-2008**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Human Resources Miscellaneous

**Introduced****ORD-0128-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SECOND ADDENDUM TO THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INTERSTATE GAS SUPPLY, INC., FOR SUPPLYING NATURAL GAS FOR 2008 AND AN OPTION FOR 2009, FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL GAS AGGREGATION SERVICES, FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

**Introduced****ORD-0129-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 2008; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$6,479; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

*Clerk's note: See discussion under Council Comment.*

**Introduced****ORD-0130-2008**

TO APPROVE CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE GAHANNA CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Introduced****E. CONSENT AGENDA:****Minutes - To Approve:****2008-0001**

1) June 2, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes

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

**Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading, Adopt as Emergency:****ORD-0125-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE GAHANNA JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT; FOR THE PROVISION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS TO THE GAHANNA-JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0126-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER CONTRACT WITH LOEB ELECTRIC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIGHT POLES AND FIXTURES FOR THE HANNAH FARMS PARK PROJECT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0127-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RCP SHELTERS, INC., FOR PURCHASE OF SHELTER MATERIALS PACKAGE FOR THE HANNAH FARMS PARK PROJECT; TO WAIVE THE BIDDING PROCESS; 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-0114-2008**

TO ACCEPT DEED OF EASEMENT IN THE AREA OF 416 ARMOR HILL DRIVE, ALSO KNOWN AS 221 MCCUTCHEON ROAD, FOR A STORM SEWER EASEMENT FROM C. SPURGEON & LUELLA J. KENIMER, OWNERS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0115-2008**

TO VACATE A UTILITY EASEMENT FOR STORM SEWER EASEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 221 MCCUTCHEON ROAD, ALSO KNOWN AS 416 ARMOR HILL DRIVE; IMPROVEMENT NO. 922; AND TO DECLARE AN

EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0116-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH GGC ENGINEERS, FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE PRICE ROAD SANITARY SEWER; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$13,870; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0118-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FUN DAY EVENTS, LLC, FOR INFLATABLE GAMES, ACTIVITIES, FOOD AND LABOR FOR THE CITY'S FREEDOM FESTIVAL FOR 2008; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0121-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN PAVEMENTS, INC., FOR THE 2008 CRACK SEAL/SLURRY SEAL PROGRAM, IMPROVEMENT NO. 929; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0122-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE 2008 ASPHALT OVERLAY PROGRAM, AND DUNBARTON ROAD REBUILD; IMPROVEMENT NO. 928; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**ORD-0123-2008**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH W.E. STILSON CONSULTING, FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2008 ASPHALT OVERLAY PROGRAM AND REBUILD OF DUNBARTON ROAD, IMPROVEMENT NO. 928; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

**Postponed to Date Certain: July 7, 2008**

**ORD-0102-2008**

TO ADOPT THE FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN, DATED DECEMBER, 2007

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

**Passed The Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Kneeland, seconded by McAlister, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes        6     President of Council McGregor, Kneeland, Ewald, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel**

**Absent     1     Vice President of Council Evers**

**End of the Consent Agenda**

**F.     PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**

**G. STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Development & Parks Committee - Ewald: No Report.**

**Public Service & Safety Committee - McAlister:**

*McAlister thanked the administration for last week's tour; was a real eye opener.*

**Committee of the Whole - Evers: No Report.**

**Finance - Kneeland:**

*Isler stated this is a unique day in the city; give you a little background; in 1969 the Council worked with and created the Civic Center Inc. which built this complex of the municipal building, police station and what is now the senior center; final payment on those bonds was to be December, 2009; in 1990 we made the first principal payment; was all interest before that; was a 40 year bond; first 20 years was interest only; in 1991 issued \$7.3 million to do the addition to the police station for \$1.2 million and financed the city water tower and refunded some bonds including sewer refunding and water refunding; were getting rid of 11-1/2% interest bonds; in 1993 since we were planning on taking this building down the City advanced \$450,000 and retired the civic center bond; added a final bond issue in 1994 of \$5.8 million at 5.5% interest; today we made the final payment; water tower and all buildings are paid off; original bonds would have gone through December 2009; wanted all of Council to know this.*

*Kneeland stated Isler approached me about a week ago; was like a kid at Christmas; this is great news; without Isler's guidance we would not have been able to accomplish that; is a historic event.*

**H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:**

**Clerk - Legal:**

**Z-0009-2008**

Z-0009-2008 To consider a zoning application to change this property to add a two story therapy room to the existing nursing home; current zoning L-SO; requested zoning L-SO which requires a change to previously approved plans; located at 167 Stygler Road; National Church Residences; George Berardi, applicant.

*Clerk noted that this public hearing was originally scheduled for this evening. However, applicant notified the office that he could not be in attendance and asked that the public hearing be held on June 16th. No notices had been mailed to contiguous property owners when we were made aware of the request so the request was honored.*

**Council:**

*McGregor stated she has been asked to make two appointments to the Olde Gahanna Visioning Commission; will appoint Ewald since it is his ward and he lives in the area; and I will be the second Council person on that committee.*

**I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.**

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

**K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS:**

**RES-0011-2008**

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION TO

GROW OHIO'S ECONOMY.

*Clerk's Note: This item was postponed under Additions or Corrections to the Agenda.*

**Postponed to Date Certain to Regular Agenda**

## **L. REPRESENTATIVES:**

### **Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Ewald/Kneeland:**

*The next meeting is on the 5th at 5:30 p.m.; is a strategic visioning session.*

### **Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - McGregor/Anderson:**

*Anderson stated the next meeting is Thursday, June 12th.*

### **Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - McAlister.**

## **M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

### **Mayor:**

*Stinchcomb stated they have hired a new Deputy Director of Development; Anthony Jones is coming to us from City of Toledo where he was an economic development specialist; will be starting June 18th; looking forward to having that position filled; remind everyone that Parade of Homes is kicking off June 14 to 29th; urge all of you to attend; we are very close to that important date.*

**City Attorney: No Report.**

## **N. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

*Ewald stated he and Kneeland met with the owner of Strawberry Plaza; was a productive meeting; he is re-engaging; hopefully bring more information back in the next few weeks.*

*Samuel stated Communications Committee met earlier this evening; identified 9 major issues or projects to work on; more information will be forthcoming.*

*Anderson stated she had a chance to attend open house for the Parade of Homes last week; excited about the fact that it is in Gahanna this year; is an opportunity for living here and growth in general; also share that there will be a series of brown bag lunches starting up for the summer so different organizations can share with MORPC what they do and how it impacts the region; one of the concerns is about energy and economic development; wanted to let people know that is something MORPC is doing; will show how different entities can interact with MORPC; say kudos to Isler; thank you for what you do.*

*Anderson continued that she spoke before the meeting with the mosquito control specialist from Franklin County, who is here tonight; would like to get some information on the record; my major question is to the side effects of the mosquito control spray used in different cities. Adam Hlad, 192 Cleveland Avenue, stated he has little data on the side effects of ULV spraying; as we talked about earlier, hard time finding studies on the side effects itself; are able to treat an acre of area with an ounce of pesticide; buy a can of yard fogger and can treat your yard; with the amount of pesticide in that can we can treat 30 acres; don't need much actual chemical; real danger is to the people making the application and loading the machines; side effects to*

pesticide poisoning include dizziness, tiredness, headaches or blurred vision, skin rashes, eye irritation, etc. Anderson stated that to follow up, if that's the case why suggest going in. Hlad stated that all of adulticide products used are registered with the EPA and are applied according to the label rate; this rate has been determined by the EPA to pose no excessive risk to public health; ask people to go inside because we can't have this conversation with every single person; those that might have compromised respiratory system might experience shortness of breath; think it is unlikely but should discuss with their physician; not a regular occurrence. Anderson asked if there would be a difference in a baby versus a senior citizen and sensitivity. Hlad stated there are different levels of sensitivity; warning covers everything rather than pinpointing for every specific possibility.

Ewald stated you need to take a common sense approach; you read on a paint can "spray in well ventilated area"; do this just in case. Hlad agreed that a common sense approach is right; this is such a small amount of pesticide. Anderson stated she just wanted this discussion on the record so everyone would know. McGregor asked what chemical was being used. Hlad stated he had sent an e-mail out earlier with this information in it; products we use have synthetic pyrethroids as the active pesticide; break down very quickly in the body. Kneeland asked how often and how wide will you be spraying. Hlad stated he would like an opportunity to come back and explain program in whole; spraying is a small part of integrated pest control; think we sprayed Gahanna 3 times last year; some communities are in a regular cycle; we do it based on surveillance and West Nile virus testing; can't how tell you how often. Kneeland stated so it is not a regular weekly thing. Hlad stated he believes residents think it is but it is done only as necessary. McGregor stated that spraying is the last resort as it actually has to hit the mosquito or it has no effect; if something is down at the larva stage that is much more effective; spend a lot of time in the field explaining where the problem starts. Stinchcomb stated that the benefits outweigh the risk; we get a lot of calls from residents who wish we were spraying more; they don't understand the program and multi-level approach; that's more likely the call we will get. Hlad stated they do monitor; county puts out information in libraries and senior centers explaining the program; mosquito control is not just fogging; there is an entire process. Emery stated there is another thing we may want to consider; oftentimes when spraying will occur we won't know until 24 hours in advance; needs great weather; we could utilize reverse call system; call as many homes in that area as we can; note that we will be spraying in that time frame in that neighborhood; would be a way for us to initiate contact with everyone; can do if there is interest there.

## **O. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

*MOTION by Anderson, seconded by McAlister, to go into Executive Session under authority of Section 5.40(a) of the Council Rules of Procedure to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee, official, licensee or regulated individual unless such public employee, official, licensee or regulated individual requests a public hearing. ROLL CALL: Voting yes: Anderson, McAlister, McGregor, Samuel, Ewald, Kneeland. Motion carried.*

*Council rose to Executive Session at 7:57 p.m. Council rose to report from Executive Session at 8:43 p.m. with all members in attendance returning to the dais.*

## **P. ADJOURNMENT: 8:44 p.m. - Motion by Kneeland.**

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**Donna L. Jernigan, CMC**  
**Senior Deputy Clerk of Council**

*APPROVED by the City Council, this  
day of 2008.*

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**Nancy R. McGregor**  
**President of Council**