

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

7:00 PM

City Hall

City Council

Stephen A. Renner, President of Council

Ryan P. Jolley, Vice President of Council

Beryl D. Anderson

Karen J. Angelou

Brian D. Larick

Brandon Wright

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at Gahanna City Hall, in Council Chambers, 200 South Hamilton Road. President of Council Stephen A. Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the invocation was led by Council Vice President Jolley followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Wright. Agenda for this meeting was published on August 30, 2013.

Present 6 - Stephen A. Renner, Ryan P. Jolley, Brian D. Larick, Karen J. Angelou, Beryl D. Anderson, and Brandon Wright

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

Claire Yoder, Gahanna Jefferson Board of Education, stated they opened school year in middle of August; biggest news is regarding HB59 after preparation of; has extended school districts receiving the tangible personal property tax; continue to have that; \$2 million dollar increase in revenues for next couple of years; won't be on an operating levy ballot for a little bit longer than initially thought; are thinking of putting on a capital improvement bond issue for a 5 year business plan and capital improvements in the district; may be doing something like that in the spring; very excited we have this windfall for a couple of years; congratulations to Gahanna on latest accolade as being named one of Ohio's Best Hometowns for 2013 by Ohio Magazine; hats off to City Council, administration and employees.

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

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Jolley.

[ORD-0124-2013](#) TO ACCEPT THE FINAL PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS VILLAGE AT HANNAH FARMS, PHASE 2, DUBLIN MANOR, LLC, APPLICANT.

This Ordinance was Introduced, to the Committee of the Whole

[ORD-0123-2013](#) TO APPROVE REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE GAHANNA

CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

This Ordinance was Introduced

[ORD-0120-2013](#) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Various Building Accounts

This Ordinance was Introduced

[ORD-0126-2013](#) TO APPOINT KIMBERLY MCWILLIAMS AS CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

This Ordinance was Introduced

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

2013-0030 To approve the following sets of minutes:
1) August 19, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes
2) August 19, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes
3) August 26, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes

This Minutes was Approved and Filed

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

[ORD-0125-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LBP LEASING, INC. (LAKE BUSINESS PRODUCTS) FOR A USED MICROFILM READER/PRINTER; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency

Ordinances on Second Reading:

[ORD-0121-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE EASEMENT WITH AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER TO ALLOW INSTALLATION OF UNDERGROUND CONDUIT ALONG A PORTION OF BRICKLAWN AVENUE.

This Ordinance was Adopted

[ORD-0122-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH STONEPILLAR ENERGY, LLC FOR AUDIT OF CITY UTILITY AND FUEL BILLS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Adopted as an Emergency

[ORD-0118-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH NORTH AMERICAN ROCK SALT CO. FOR PURCHASE OF ROCK SALT FOR THE 2013/2014 SEASON.

This Ordinance was Adopted

[ORD-0119-2013](#) TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBUS FOR SUBMITTING AN OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION APPLICATION FOR WIDENING OF A PORTION OF MORSE ROAD FROM TRELLIS LANE TO THE US 62 ROUNDABOUT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Ordinance was Adopted as an Emergency

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Angelou, seconded by Jolley, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Renner, Jolley, Larick, Angelou, Anderson and Wright

End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Committee of the Whole - Jolley: No Report.

Finance, Service & Safety - Larick: No Report.

Development & Parks - Wright: No Report.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk:

2013-0029

Acknowledge receipt of Notice of Election from Franklin County Board

of Elections for the Income Tax Levy on the November 5, 2013 ballot.

This Communication was Received and Filed

Council: None.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick/Renner

Larick stated at last meeting there was a discussion on the Franklin County Land Bank and potential properties in Gahanna that might fit; also had an overview of the CIC website currently under construction; intent is to enhance our economic development.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Angelou

Angelou stated next meeting is September 12 at 1:30 pm.

Bd. of Education, Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Renner

Renner stated he will be attending the meeting on September 12.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Jolley

Jolley stated he is excited to report that Board has gone in a slightly different direction in their search for an Executive Director; appointed Board Chair Laurie Jadwin as interim Executive Director; she has stepped down as Chair; will serve for approximately 6 months; she has been the heart and soul of CVB and the Blues & Jazz Festival; with a lot of new faces in office of CVB in general felt there was a need for some amount of continuity so she can help new folks transition; from that point can look at restructuring for a full time Executive Director or go in a different direction; will be working approximately 20 hours per week; next meeting is next Thursday at 4:00 p.m. here in committee rooms. In response to question from

Angelou, Collins stated Jadwin is an at large member; 3 City members are administrative personnel and a Council member.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb reminded Council of the Friday After 5 event for the Parks & Recreation Foundation coming up on September 13; tickets are available online; ticket prices do go up after today.

City Attorney: No Report.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT:

Angelou advised of the passing of Joe Spanovich's wife; is hard to lose a family member and that's what Joe and his family are to us; believe Joe Spanovich is the longest serving person in City of Gahanna having been Mayor and on Council for many years; then went on to his current service of many years with Mifflin Township; please keep family in your prayers.

Wright asked the administration about an inquiry from a constituent on Shull; know we have gone a little past time frame; looking for the current time frame. Franey stated she would send details in an e-mail so you have it in writing; worst case is that the Heil sidewalk is going to take until the middle of October to complete that section; the one section of Shull between Carpenter and Heil just completed putting storm system in; sidewalk will go in during the next couple of weeks. Wright stated he also had a call regarding 723 McDonnell where there is a tree ready to fall and cause damage. Franey stated she would also check into that.

Jolley echoed condolences to the Spanovich family; Joe has decades of service to this community; was pleased to see North Stygler Road opened up; Columbus did a nice job; our contribution of sidewalk from Sandburr looks good; thought sidewalk was to go to Morse Road. Wetherholt said sidewalk goes from Wendler to Sandburr; only the paving was to go all the way to Morse Road. Jolley stated he has seen more people walking that stretch of Stygler so was just asking about sidewalk to Morse.

Anderson expressed condolences to Spanovich family; noted that "Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth"; this is a quote attributed to Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm and to Marianne Wright Edelman, President of the Children's Defense Fund;

service is inherent to whom I am and a part of my family; have served the City for the past 7 years in different capacities; first as a Mayoral appointment to the Board of Zoning and Building Appeals and for almost 6 years as an elected official on Council; have been committed in my service, because of my love for the City and my passion to share my talents and experience; have served in leadership in chairing the Finance Committee, Planning & Development and Parks & Recreation Committee as well as on the Finance, Service & Safety Committee; have served on the Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission, the CVB, the Community Urban Redevelopment Committee, Communications Committee, and have participated in the Ohio Municipal League, National league of Cities, CIC, facilitating Council leadership retreats, working at the Blues & Jazz Festival, the Freedom Festival, numerous ribbon cuttings and business openings, and singing solo performances at Gahanna's National Day of Prayer, Memorial Day bricklaying, and the high school concert celebration of President Lincoln's 200th birthday; have also served nationally on the Census Monitoring Board, Deputy Secretary of State, the Count Me Ohio campaign, leading Election Reform through the National Organization, the Election Center; working and traveling with the legendary Rosa Parks; and producing and hosting programs as a national television anchor/host covering the US Supreme Court and select issues at The White House and Congress; comes a time when one focuses their energy in another direction and that time has come for me; will be serving out the balance of my term as City Councilwoman representing Ward 4; as of August 26, 2013 withdrew my name from the November ballot for re-election; look forward to other opportunities that are on the horizon that will allow me to utilize my leadership skills, law degree, business training and other talents for the betterment of humanity; will also spend more time with my family and assist my husband's and my aging parents who live out of town; thank you to those who supported me, voted for me, and believed in me to represent them; has been a pleasure to work with so many people dedicated to Gahanna; thank you to my family and especially my husband; am committed to end strong in my service to the people of Ward 4 and to the City; look forward to working with everyone as we decide what kind of Gahanna we want to live in which will lay the groundwork for generations to come; encourage others to get more involved in the community and to be of service; in the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr "Drum Major Instinct" sermon on February 4, 1968 he said "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love"; will miss you all next term but I'll be back and will continue throughout my life to be a Drum Major for justice and service.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Jolley, seconded by Anderson, to go into Executive Session to confer with the City Attorney concerning disputes involving the City, and/or appointed or elected officials or employees, which are subject to pending or imminent court action and 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.

Yes: 6 - Renner, Jolley, Larick, Angelou, Anderson and Wright

Council rose to Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. President Renner asked City Attorney Ewald, Mayor Stinchcomb, Director of Development Jones, and Scott Chappelle to the first part of the Executive Session. Council rose to report from Executive session at 8:23 p.m. with all members returning to the dais.

P. ADJOURNMENT: 8:24 p.m. - Motion by Angelou.

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

*APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2013.*

Stephen A. Renner