

# City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230



## Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 4, 2013

7:00 PM

City Hall

## City Council

*Stephen A. Renner, President of Council*

*Ryan P. Jolley, Vice President of Council*

*Brian D. Larick*

*Karen J. Angelou*

*Beryl D. Anderson*

*Brandon Wright*

*Thomas R. Kneeland*

*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, November 4, 2013, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Stephen A. Renner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice President of Council Jolley delivered an Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Wright. Agenda for this meeting was published on October 30, 2013.

**Present** 7 - President Stephen A. Renner, Ryan P. Jolley, Brian D. Larick, Karen J. Angelou, Beryl D. Anderson, Brandon Wright, and Thomas R. Kneeland

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

**A motion was made by Larick, seconded by Kneeland, to amend the Agenda to add ORD-140-2013 under Section J - First Reading of Ordinances. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** President Renner, Jolley, Larick, Angelou, Anderson, Wright and Kneeland

**C. HEARING OF VISITORS:**

Police Officer Mike Gray was promoted to Sergeant and sworn in by Mayor Stinchcomb.

Claire Yoder, President of the Gahanna-Jefferson Board of Education, stated the Gahanna Lincoln High School performance of *Peter Pan* is this weekend; theater teacher and director Cindi Macioce has been very involved with drama and play in the school district for many years and a valued asset; Junior Kelsey Sandlin placed first to lead the girls cross country team to its first regional title at Pickerington North and will go to the state meet; the school district applied for \$146,000 grant to build student leaders at the elementary level to learn leadership skills based on Stephen Covey's book called *The 7 Habits of Happy Kids*; involved in one of the events at High Point and witnessed that it's a great program to build leadership among the students; proud to announce that Sarah Dove, who taught elementary school at Gahanna-Jefferson was tapped to work in the education department as a teacher liaison for Gov. Kasich team to travel and learn about teaching and is a great advocate for education; Veteran's Day celebration is this Thursday at the High School Memorial site; ceremony is from 9:30 to 10:30; hope for good weather; appreciation is the theme; invite all to come; opening of Jefferson Township one-room schoolhouse was on October 23; Norma Jean Gorsuch, whose mother was one of the original teachers in the school, was the first to ring the bell; school was originally on Johnstown Road was moved to a location next to Lincoln Elementary; thoughts and prayers for everyone at election time.

Laurie Jadwin, Executive Director, CVB Convention & Visitors Bureau was present to give the Quarterly Report and distributed the "2012 A Year in Review," Convention & Visitors Bureau brochure to Council; on file with the Clerk. She introduced Susan Peters, Business & Events Manager and Mary Szymkowiak, Communications & Sales Manager; invited Council to attend Holidays Lights; wished Council luck in the election; Board of Directors gave affirmative vote on Issue 17; they stand united on this issue and know that it will dramatically impact the businesses on an economic level and they hope it passes; any questions call them. Angelou commented the good news is the NHL All Star game is coming in 2015.

Kate Kautz, 199 Regents Road, Gahanna, voiced her disdain regarding the election; if residents disagree they are being ignored; Facebook, Tweets are being blocked and comments are being deleted; residents are being kicked out if they don't agree with Council's views; will vote no on Issue 17; believes City has lack of fiscal restraint and spends money haphazardly.

#### **D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:**

##### **Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:**

ORD-0136-2013 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH FOR HEALTH SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014.  
**This Ordinance was Introduced.**

ORD-0137-2013 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAHANNA AND ASEBROOK & CO. ARCHITECTS, LLC, FOR PLAN REVIEW SERVICES FOR 2014.  
**This Ordinance was Introduced.**

ORD-0138-2013 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAHANNA AND MEACHAM & APEL ARCHITECTS, INC., FOR PLAN REVIEW SERVICES FOR 2014  
**This Ordinance was Introduced.**

ORD-0139-2013 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAHANNA AND WILLIAM E. CONROY, II FOR ELECTRICAL INSPECTION SERVICES.

This Ordinance was Introduced.

## E. CONSENT AGENDA:

### Minutes - To Approve:

**2013-0038** To approve the following set of minutes:  
1) October 21, 2013 Regular Meeting minutes.

**A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Jolley, that these Minutes be Approved and Filed.**

### Ordinances on Second Reading:

[\*\*ORD-0133-2013\*\*](#) REVENUE BASED EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS -  
Supplements/Transfers/Unappropriation of Funds  
**This Ordinance was Adopted.**

[\*\*ORD-0135-2013\*\*](#) TO REFUND GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS \$2,230  
PAID IN PERMIT FEES FOR GYM RENOVATIONS WHICH  
CONSISTED OF REPLACEMENT OF BLEACHERS AT GAHANNA  
LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL.

**This Ordinance was Adopted.**

### Motion Resolutions:

**MR-0034-2013** Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out  
for bids for the Price Road Sanitary Sewer Project - Phase I - SA 933.  
**This Motion Resolution was Approved.**

**MR-0035-2013** Motion Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Service to go out  
for bids for Sycamore Run Stream Restoration Project - ST 981.  
**This Motion Resolution was Approved.**

**MR-0036-2013** Motion Resolution that the City has no objection to the transfer of a  
D5I Liquor Permit Transfer from Los Jalapenos Mexican Grill &  
Cantina, LLC, dba Los Jalapenos Mexican Grill & Cantina, 1356 N.  
Hamilton Road & Patio to Soid RLA, LLC dba Los Jalapenos Mexican  
Grill & Cantina, 1356 N. Hamilton Road & Patio, Gahanna, Ohio.  
**This Motion Resolution was Approved.**

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

**Yes:** 7 - President Renner, Jolley, Larick, Angelou, Anderson, Wright and Kneeland

**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:**

**2013-0036** Notice to Legislative Authority of a transfer of a D5I liquor permit to SOID RLA LLC, dba Los Jalapenos Mexican Grill & Cantina, 1356 N. Hamilton Road & Patio, Gahanna, OH 43230 from Los Jalapenos Mexican Grill & Cantina, 1356 N. Hamilton Road & Patio, Gahanna, OH 43230. Last day to file objections is November 25, 2013.

**This Communication was Received and Filed.**

**Council: None**

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

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

**ORD-0140-2013** TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GROUND LESSOR (BUILDING B AND C) ESTOPPEL WITH CREEKSIDE INVESTMENT PARTNERS, LLC; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

There will be a special meeting on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:00

p.m. to discuss this Ordinance.

**This Ordinance was Introduced.**

**K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.**

**L. REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick/Renner**

Larick said CIC is preparing the review of the agreement with the City sometime in December; next meeting Nov. 26 at 7:30 a.m.

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

Angelou said will meet on the second Thursday of November; appointed to the MORPC Boundaries Discussion Task Force by MORPC Chair Marilyn Brown; charged with reviewing possible modifications to MORPC's various service funding and membership boundaries in order to make a recommendation to the Commission; expected to be made by February or March.

**Bd. of Education, Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Jolley**

Jolley thanked Mrs. Yoder for her report; will attend the meeting later this month.

**Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Jolley**

Jolley commended Laurie Jadwin on CVB leadership; a lot of transitions with staff; notably former long time executive director Karen Eylon; Laurie does fantastic job coordinating the Blues and Jazz Festival; great job with stats and presentation; her leadership has transferred to the entire organization; looking forward to really strong year now that staff is in place; excited to see it continue.

**M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

**Mayor:**

Mayor Stinchcomb noted Beggar's Night was difficult; amazing how many resources were involved to determine whether to move the night; said no at first; decided later due to weather reports and a lot of unhappy residents to move it to Saturday; always a risk to change the date; ending

up working out and residents were satisfied for the most part; election is a pivotal day for the City; urged everybody to vote and hopes for a good turnout.

**City Attorney:**

Ewald said good luck to all the candidates.

**N. COUNCIL COMMENT:**

Angelou said election day is a day to be proud of living in a country that allows us to have the people come to the polls to vote on what they feel is the best interest of the community; hopes the experience has been a good one and can stand on different views; some will be happy and some will not be with the outcome of the election; she feels Gahanna is one of the strongest communities in central Ohio and proud to be on Council.

Kneeland echoed Angelou's thoughts and good luck to all the candidates; MORPC funding \$50 million for Veteran's Memorial rebuild; will diminish the amount that is available for the capital budget money; Gahanna, Whitehall, Reynoldsburg, and Bexley submitted for capital money requests; fingers crossed to get some money.

Wright said he heard Lee Tucker was named Hometown Hero on Sunny 95 radio station; was happy to hear him speaking about Gahanna; congratulations to Lee; concerned people are fighting over small things; hopes the community can move forward with planning and development after the election; Middle School West reminder that they will be performing *Les Misérables* in November; encouraged people to attend.

Anderson wished best of luck to the candidates; stated she decided to withdraw from race; will stay involved the rest of her term; she received positive comments on Beggar's Night being moved; she said some kids went out twice; had opportunity to honor the late Justice Robert M. Duncan, the first African American to serve on the Ohio Supreme Court, his official portrait was unveiled and hangs in the Supreme Court; many people testified to honor his achievements; Duncan's legacy as a U.S. District Court Judge was ordering the desegregation of Columbus City Schools; very moving experience; Dr. Melissa Clarke, Physician & Patient Advocate will be at Mt. Carmel College of Nursing on Sunday, November 17 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. to discuss her book *Excuse Me Doctor! I've Got What? Taking Ownership of Your Health and Making Healthcare Reform Work for You*; encouraged everyone to attend; she will also be in other areas if anyone would like more details; shared invite to elected officials from Congresswoman Beatty for discussion on national issues facing the community on Thursday, November 7th 4:30-6:00 p.m., 3rd Congressional District Office, 471 E. Broad Street, Suite 1100, Columbus.

Larick encouraged everyone to vote.

Jolley said interesting article he read on historically high and low voter turnout in Ohio; believes high is even too low; encouraged everyone to exercise right and responsibility to vote.

Renner said please go vote; Gahanna is a beautiful City; do your civic duty.

**O. ADJOURNMENT: 7:40 p.m. - Motion by Larick.**

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

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

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**Stephen A. Renner**  
**President**