

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

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

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council

Thomas R. Kneeland, President of Council

Shane Ewald, Vice President of Council

Beryl D. Anderson

Thomas C. Evers

John R. McAlister

Nancy R. McGregor

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 Tuesday, January 19, 2010, at Gahanna City Hall, in Council Chambers, 200 South Hamilton Road. President Thomas R. Kneeland called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Invocation was given by Vice President Shane Ewald followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on January 15, 2010.

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

B. HEARING OF VISITORS:

State Representative Kevin Bacon, 5325 Ponderosa Drive, stated he represented Ohio House District 21; thank you for allowing me to introduce myself; had the pleasure of serving with Nancy's husband; hope in the future to represent you as part of the 3rd Senate District; have been meeting with opinion leaders regardless of affiliation; started my political career as a township trustee; understand the difficulties of budgeting; House also wrestled with some budget issues; it is a tough climate; am willing to work with everyone irrespective of location; always willing to work with you; know what it's like being in your shoes; wanted time to make a brief introduction; feel free to call me.

Scott Mounts, Gahanna Jefferson Board of Education, stated he didn't have a lot tonight; at organizational meeting Windy McKenna was elected President and Claire Yoder is Vice President; biggest project is Clark Hall; project is moving forward; no specific dates yet; construction manager Quandel had a contractor outreach today to identify contractors that would like to participate; glad to answer any questions. Kneeland stated Council is looking forward to seeing you.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Anderson, to go into executive session under authority of Section 5.40(b) of the Council Rules of Procedure to discuss purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of public property through competitive bidding or public auction. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

Council rose to Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. Council rose to report from Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. with all members returning to the dais.

C1. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Samuel, to add ORD-0024-2010 to the agenda under First Reading of Ordinances. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Introduced, by title, by Evers.

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

ORD-0008-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR HEALTH AND MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Introduced

ORD-0009-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL AND INSPECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR 2010.

Introduced

ORD-0010-2010

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Columbus FiberNet

Introduced

ORD-0011-2010

TO AMEND CHAPTER 154, LANDSCAPE BOARD, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA

Introduced

ORD-0012-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RENT A JOHN PORTABLE SANITATION FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD; FOR PORTABLE RESTROOMS FOR THE GAHANNA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE, VARIOUS CITY PARKS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Introduced

ORD-0013-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH TERMINIX COMMERCIAL FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD; FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES AT THE GAHANNA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

Introduced

ORD-0014-2010

TO ACCEPT GRANT MONIES OF \$17,206 FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION GRANT; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE SAID GRANT MONEY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced, Second Reading

ORD-0015-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH JULIAN & GRUBE, INC., TO PERFORM THE 2009 FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA

Introduced

ORD-0017-2010

TO ACCEPT WARRANTY DEED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 258 JAMES ROAD PURCHASED FROM GEORGE WEBER

Introduced

ORD-0018-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE GAHANNA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FOR THE 2010 CALENDAR YEAR FOR THE PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced, to Finance Committee

ORD-0019-2010

TO ACCEPT FUNDS RECEIVED FROM FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT FOR THE YEARS 2009 AND 2010; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$8,255

Introduced

ORD-0021-2010

TO AMEND CODE CHAPTER 1193, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT POLICY, AND CHAPTER 1195, SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION POLICY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

Introduced

ORD-0022-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY OR HIS DESIGNEE TO FILE AN ANNEXATION PETITION FOR THE ANNEXATION OF 0.12+/- ACRES OF LAND FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP FOR ROAD RIGHT OF WAY LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 3891 CLOTTS AND INCLUDING A PORTION OF 730 CLOTTS ROAD AND 3894 CLOTTS ROAD

Introduced

ORD-0023-2010

TO REAUTHORIZE AND CONFIRM THE PLANNED TRANSFERS AS APPROPRIATED IN ORD-0001-2010

Introduced

E. CONSENT AGENDA:**Minutes - To Approve:****2010-0004**

To approve the following set of minutes:

1) January 2, 2010 Organizational & Regular Meeting Minutes

This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading, Adopt as Emergency:**ORD-0016-2010**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS FOR CITY OWNED LAND KNOWN AS THE CENTRAL PARK GREENWAY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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

ORD-0020-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 2010 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.

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

Ordinances on Second Reading:**ORD-0006-2010**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC) FOR THE YEAR 2010

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0007-2010

TO ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE LANDSCAPE PLAN, DATED MAY 6, 2009, FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Resolutions to Adopt on First Reading:**RES-0001-2010**

TO HONOR AND COMMEND TERESA WOOLLEY FOR SERVICE AS LANDSCAPE BOARD MEMBER

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Anderson, 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 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

End of the Consent Agenda

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CC-0005-2009

President read Public Hearing Rules that would govern the public hearing this evening.

To recommend to Council amendment to Chapters 1193, Stormwater Management and 1195, Erosion and Sedimentation; of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Gahanna.

President opened Public Hearing at 7:47 p.m. asking for proponents.

Karl Wetherholt, City Engineer, stated we are presenting changes to Chapter 1193 and Chapter 1195 of the Codified Ordinances; Chapter 1193 is the Stormwater Management Policy and Chapter 1195 is Sediment and Erosion Control; adding to that post-construction management procedures; these two sections are very old; last updated in early '90s; have been many changes in the industry; clarifications for the calculations and engineering of those types of projects have been updated with new technology and EPA regulations require us to be in compliance with what Ohio EPA has in their guidelines; that necessitated these changes; Service Department and various others decided that this was a good chance to update the entire chapter to make it modern for 2010; now have the proposed modifications which have been recommended to Council through Planning Commission and ready for the ordinance to be codified. President asked for opponents. There were none.

President closed Public Hearing at 7:49 p.m.

Heard in Public Hearing

G. STANDING COMMITTEES:

Development & Parks Committee - Anderson:

Anderson stated she wanted to note the article in Columbus Dispatch with positive news about Residences of Creekside; they are selling in this economic environment; also note that February 2 is Groundhog Breakfast; tickets are moving quickly.

Public Service & Safety Committee - McAlister: No Report.

Committee of the Whole - Ewald: No Report.

Finance - Samuel: No Report.

H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal: No Report.

Council: No Report.

I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES: None.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

ORD-0024-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH ROBERT W. BAIRD & CO. FOR INVESTMENT BANKING AND FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Introduced, by title, by Evers.

Introduced

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Samuel, that this matter be Introduced, Second Reading Waived. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Samuel, that this matter be Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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K. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS: None.

L. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Ewald/Kneeland:

Kneeland stated he attended last week; changed meeting dates to second Tuesday; is a conflict of a couple of months that are noted in the schedule; in process of beginning to look at strategic goals identified during our goal setting sessions; are setting priorities; number of projects in process.

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

McGregor noted meeting was last week; was unable to attend.

Bd. of Education, Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools - Ewald:

Ewald thanked Mounts for his report; meeting was pretty much organizational; lot of legislation on contracts etc; one thing I took away is that Jefferson Elementary is introducing technology in classroom in a way that hasn't been done; have new technology at Jefferson; students can view a screen and move ideas around on board; that technology is being adopted throughout central Ohio; interesting to watch the pilot program and see it adopted by others throughout the state; Gregg Morris was awarded the Superintendent of the Year for the state.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Kneeland:

Kneeland assigned himself as the representative to the CVB for this year; did it several years ago; couple of things CVB did at last meeting; board is currently considering analyzing concept of hiring a firm to do fundraising; to move to next level this will be important; also looking to move to another location; there is the possibility they will be moving; more to come on that; they voted to increase the Blues & Jazz Festival admission from \$2 to \$3; does cost staff time and internal funds to make that work;

Anderson was also at that meeting; web site is still a work in progress; let them know if you have suggestions or praises; look forward to it being up and running shortly.

M. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb stated that the Parks & Recreation Foundation Gala is on February 6; deadline for tickets is quickly approaching; like to have your support; proceeds support Camp Friendship scholarships; meet with Morris every couple of weeks; he did ask me to let Council know that February 1 is the State of the Schools address at 6:30 p.m.

City Attorney: Absent.

N. COUNCIL COMMENT:

McAlister noted we have a Boy Scout in the audience; asked which badge he was working on and the reply was Communications Badge; wish you well and thank you for coming.

McGregor stated she wanted to note a Channel 10 report on Elaine Angell Missionary Lifeline out of Westerville; has gone for 10 or more years to Haiti; her husband was our part time code enforcement a couple of years ago; see interview on Channel 10 website; can read those interviews; interesting to know someone who was there; appreciate invocation for service personnel; having my son there for 2 years out of the 5 makes me appreciate it; know it is appreciated by all.

Anderson stated she wanted to underscore comments about Lifeline; donate time to Lifeline as part of our international service; deals with an orphanage in Haiti; can go to Channel 10 to hear interview; one of many orphanages that are having challenges; also informed by YMCA that this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. they will be having a health screening; come out to the Y at 7:00 p.m.

Evers stated it has been noted but please keep victims of earthquake in thoughts; do have a brief announcement; have taken a new position and as a part of that will be relocating to Washington DC; have very mixed emotions; will be resigning at the end of February my Ward 3 Council seat; want to take this opportunity to thank residents of Ward 3; has been my honor to serve for these 6 years; gotten to know many of them; also thank my peers on Council, the Council staff and the administration; this is a new chapter in Evers family life; thank everybody and thank city employees for 6 wonderful years.

Samuel wished Evers well in future endeavors; was near Haiti last week and am glad and thankful I live in this country; very sad some things I observed; did have 85 degree weather; Service Department again did a great job on streets.

Ewald echoed prior comments; has been a pleasure to work with Evers; one thing like to say is that you always knew where he stood; enjoyed working with you and feel we accomplished a lot under your leadership; second comment is regarding Haiti relief; lot of organizations were there before and are there now; encourage you to donate; even in these economic times if you can't give monetarily or canned goods, your time is valuable in any relief effort; encourage your families and friends to donate and get involved.;

Kneeland stated he was surprised by announcement tonight; has shown a great tenacity in doing his private job as well as being a colleague; appreciated his insight in a lot of things; save my comments for later in the month of February; will miss your

