

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 10, 1999

7:00 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Service Committee

Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, Chairman

Debra A. Payne

L. Nicholas Hogan

Robert W. Kelley, ex officio

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Mayor McGregor, Karl Wetherholt, Terry Jordan, Raleigh Mitchell

PENDING LEGISLATION

Members Present: Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, Debra A. Payne and L. Nicholas Hogan

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TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE SHELLY COMPANY FOR 1999 ASPHALT OVERLAY, IMPROVEMENT NO. 725; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Recommended for Adoption, Consent to Consent Agenda (Duplicate)

990193

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE EVANS, MECHWART, HAMBLETON & TILTON, INC., FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 1999 ASPHALT OVERLAY, IMPROVEMENT NO. 725; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Recommended for Adoption, Consent to Consent Agenda (Duplicate)

NEW LEGISLATION**ISSUES****980525**

TELEPHONE ACCOUNT ANALYSIS - AMERITECH.

Jordan stated this item should be ready for discussion at next committee; waiting for a final invoice from Ameritech; have been over billed for the last 3 years; as a result they will owe us between \$27,000 and \$35,000; will also be discussing alternative ways to reduce our current phone bill.

Taylor Road Right-Of-Way

Wetherholt stated that after the road was built the slope was not right and we relocated the sign which was damaged; property owner donated right of way so there was no appraisal; slope needs ground cover and sign needs replaced; is the post office sign and total cost for both items is approximately \$2,000; can draw down the already appropriated money in the Clark/Oklahoma project; need floor motion to authorize funds get used for this.

RECOMMENDATION: Floor motion, consent agenda.

Taylor Road Pond Engineering

Wetherholt stated that the pond was discussed when we bought the Armentrout property; is now ready for final engineering; think we can get a greenways grant to create a wetland habitat; will also prevent road from flooding. In response to question from Stinchcomb, Wetherholt stated he will get Council a map to show exactly where this is.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, Consent Agenda; back in committee for further discussion.

Beecher Hamilton Signalization Bid

Wetherholt stated that the bids came in higher than estimate by approximately \$33,000; Columbus Asphalt Paving is now a Gahanna company as they moved out to TIZ; were low bidder amongst 4; don't think it will come out any different if we rebid; feel this is our best shot; County is letting us go ahead and do during the annexation process. In response to question from Hogan, Wetherholt stated this project will signalize the intersection and put in left turn lanes; will require two pieces of legislation, one for the contract and one for the inspection.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, consent agenda; 2nd reading, consent agenda, following meeting for both pieces of legislation.

ODOT Legislation for I-270 Work

Wetherholt stated this was the standard ODOT legislation for work on I-270 in corporate limits.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, consent agenda; bring back to committee for further discussion.

Big Walnut Pedestrian Walkway Electrical Work

Wetherholt stated that In order to do all the lighting and so on for various festivals, Syntaxis lighting, etc. need to do further electrical work; not sure how you wished to fund this; have \$53,000 left on the Clark/Oklahoma funding; can do a supplemental; could take from the West Gahanna Entryway project. Consensus of Council was not to take from the West Gahanna project but to do a supplemental.

In response to question from Hogan on the June 12th opening date, Wetherholt stated that the project supervisor has assured the City the work will be done; will bring on extra workers, if needed, to meet the June 12th date.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, consent agenda; bring back to committee for further discussion.

Bridge over Big Walnut Sidewalks

Wetherholt stated that EMH&T is consultant on designing the extensions for the sidewalks; did that design and City keeps adding scope to the contract in the form of decorative railing, lighting, etc; increased cost is because we increased the scope; designs for the foundations of the arch is also included; this is starting to become a part of the West Gahanna Entryway; 2 consultants have gotten together and are swapping designs; really continuous even though it will be bid in two portions - structural will be bid through package by EMH&T and landscaping will be bid by Myers Schmalenberger; need \$5,000 for EMH&T to complete their portion; can come from West Gahanna Entryway funds; request floor motion.

RECOMMENDATION: Floor motion, consent agenda.

Morrison/Waterbury

Wetherholt noted he failed to do a 5% contingency on this project; now ready to finish up and need additional money; requesting \$6,000; that's only 3% of the total cost; can come out of Clark/Oklahoma project; request floor motion.

RECOMMENDATION: Floor motion, consent agenda.

Morse Tree Grant

Wetherholt noted this legislation is in draft form; authorizes applying for grant we have already applied for.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, consent agenda; 2nd reading, consent agenda, following meeting.

Havens/Corners/Helmbright

Stinchcomb stated she had received a flood of calls from residents regarding the signalization of Helmbright and Havens Corners; did tell them they need to speak with John Circle's office; request that they keep City Council and City Engineer advised of those discussions; appears to be a new issue regarding safety; School Board has made a number of students walk and this is becoming a safety issue; also when you go east on Havens Corners past the condos there are 55 mph signs in township; is a new priest at St. Matthew's and he's involved and will be writing letters on behalf of the Church regarding the safety issue. Hogan noted losing a private duty officer in that area about 10 years ago because of speed. Kelley asked if would could get reduced speed ahead signs or school zone ahead signs placed in the township; might help slow traffic down. Wetherholt stated he would check with County on sign placement. Stinchcomb asked if it would be possible to get crosswalks put in across Helmbright and Wetherholt noted that since they would be south of the right of way line they would be in Gahanna and would look into it.

Dunoon Drive Basin Flooding

Stinchcomb requested an update on the Dunoon Drive basin flooding. Wetherholt stated a study had been submitted to the Mayor; has been no final resolution on the matter. McGregor noted that there was not much that could be done; Kennedy is at the low point; could make an interceptor under drain that would take it away; problem is that there is so much water on a dry day it would fill up the storm sewer and still may not depress it enough and it would still go into his house; cheaper to buy the house. Stinchcomb questioned if this had been communicated to resident; would like to see study and bring this matter to closure.

Rice & Taylor Entry Feature

Stinchcomb noted receiving complaints about the Rice & Taylor entrance feature; when we widened Taylor it came down and fencing is sitting there in a pile; is slowly disappearing. Wetherholt noted that the remains of the pillar will be taken out; will have to start over. McGregor noted it would cost \$10,000 to replace it; looking for alternatives; wait to the fall and we can rebuild in house at that time; are checking currently with Civilian Conservation Corps to see if they can do this project for us. Stinchcomb noted that we took it down; can somebody put the rest of the fencing somewhere where it is protected; is being stolen; request we be kept informed to answer residents inquiries.

Stygler & Rt. 62

Kelley asked if the intersection of Stygler and Rt. 62 is on schedule for restriping; lines are so faded can't tell where lanes are. Jordan noted a number of streets are set for restriping and will take a look at that intersection.

ISOBEL L. SHERWOOD, CMC/AAE, Deputy Clerk of Council, reporting.

