

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, July 17, 2000**

**7:30 PM**

**City Hall**

## **City Council**

*Debra A. Payne, President of Council  
Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, Vice President of Council  
Michael O'Brien, Council Member  
L. Nicholas Hogan, Council Member  
Thomas R. Kneeland, Council Member  
Karen J. Angelou, Council Member  
Sherie James-Arnold, Council Member*

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, July 17, 2000, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council Debra A. Payne called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Payne delivered an Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by J. R. Umberzah of St. Matthew's Boy Scout Troop 317.

**Members Present:** Debra A. Payne, L. Nicholas Hogan, Sherie James-Arnold, Thomas R. Kneeland, Karen J. Angelou and Michael O'Brien

**Members Absent:** Rebecca W. Stinchcomb

## B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

### ORD-0133-2000

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BYERS CHEVROLET FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 4WD SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**A motion was made by Council Member James-Arnold, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, that this matter be Referred to the Regular Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

Angelou noted that there is a motion resolution on the consent agenda this evening for approval of the budget. Note that the figure on the changes page for utilities is a reduction of \$5,000 and should be in brackets to reflect that.

## C. HEARING OF VISITORS

Richard Peck, 122 Oklahoma Avenue, addressed Council concerning the Oklahoma Avenue Street Improvement project; presented pictures to Council of what the street looked like Saturday morning and then what it looked like after crews came in and took out four 60 year old trees from his yard; was hoping something could be done to stop this; have been working with the administration; this project is not neighborhood driven; residents did not ask for this improvement; felt with the adoption of the Creekside Trailway Loop Study access for pedestrians to Friendship Park was being provided; at the very least could have done sidewalks on one side of the street; can't replace these trees but something could have and should have been done to accommodate this special area.

Patricia Peck, 122 Oklahoma Avenue, stated her concerns were related but slightly different; wish to address the issue of utility poles on Clark and Oklahoma; with the removal of trees utility poles are what you see when you look out the windows of my residence; sidewalks that are being installed are going to be narrow and the utility poles will be in the sidewalks; as you know from walking on Granville and Mill Street that is not always navigable; with our sidewalks being narrower don't see how it can work;

suggest that we consider moving the poles to the rear of the properties; believe there are additional poles already there; spoke with power company and cost is only \$1,000 to \$2,000 per residence; don't know what can be done but it would be an option that should be considered.

Angelou noted that the poles were not moved on Mill Street because several business owners did not want to do it; utility companies had stated everyone had to do it or it couldn't be done; cost is significant; believe the cost quoted to you is the cost to the resident not what the actual cost is for moving the lines but the cost to restore service to each residence.

Payne assigned these items to Committee of the Whole for July 24.

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

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

Ordinances, introduced, by title, by Angelou.

#### **ORD-0171-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL SAFETY, INC., FOR PURCHASE OF ONE CRISIS/HOSTAGE NEGOTIATING TELEPHONE/VIDEO SYSTEM AT A TOTAL COST OF \$6,500; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$2,500; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Referred to Consent Agenda**

#### **ORD-0172-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL SAFETY, INC., FOR UPGRADE OF THE CRISIS/HOSTAGE NEGOTIATING TELEPHONE/VIDEO SYSTEM; AND TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$4,000; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Referred to Consent Agenda**

#### **ORD-0173-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Creekside Park Pump Modification

**Referred to Consent Agenda**

#### **ORD-0174-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CHANGE ORDER AGREEMENT WITH PIZZUTI FOR AN EASTGATE SANITARY CONNECTOR SEWER; IMPROVEMENT NO. 737; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$110,146; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Referred to Consent Agenda**

#### **ORD-0176-2000**

TO ACCEPT STORM AND WATER LINE IMPROVEMENT, A PORTION OF IMPROVEMENT NO. 743 AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT NO. 742; AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, KNOWN AS CROSSROADS COMMERCE CENTER; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Referred to Service Committee**

#### **ORD-0177-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Development Planning

**Referred to Consent Agenda**

## **E. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **2000-0004**

To Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 6, 2000

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

### **Ordinances on Second Reading**

**ORD-0131-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Income Tax Sharing Agreement

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0150-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH TERRA SURVEYING SERVICES COMPANY FOR OLDE GAHANNA STORM SEWER MAPPING; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$4,800

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0155-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Retirements & Separations

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0154-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH DAVID ARNOLD, 109 PRICE ROAD, FOR PURCHASE OF BIG WALNUT WATERFRONT RIGHT-OF-WAY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0156-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH DENNIS MURPHY IN HIS POSITION OF CHIEF OF POLICE, AND WAYNE HOWARD IN HIS POSITION OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE YEAR 2000

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0157-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Council Various Accounts

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0158-2000**

TO ACCEPT THE FINAL PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE GREENS AT CLARENTON SECTION 1, PART 2; EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON & TILTON, APPLICANT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0159-2000**

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - City Attorney, Seminars/Meetings

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0160-2000**

TO ZONE 0.882+/- ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS SF-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4240 NORTH HAMILTON ROAD; MARIA VAN HUFFEL, APPLICANT

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0162-2000**

TO GRANT VARIANCE FROM SECTION 1105.10(C), DEVELOPMENT OF LAND WITHIN PLAT; FOR CROSSROADS COMMERCE CENTER; REQUESTED BY DONALD R. KENNEY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0164-2000**

TO ACCEPT 0.434+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO, LOCATED ON TAYLOR ROAD AND TO BE USED FOR ROAD RIGHT OF WAY PURPOSES; REQUESTED BY CITY OF GAHANNA.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0165-2000**

TO ACCEPT 0.734+/- ACRES FROM JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO, LOCATED ON TAYLOR ROAD AND TO BE USED FOR ROAD RIGHT OF WAY PURPOSES; REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0166-2000**

TO ACCEPT A GENERAL WARRANTY DEED FROM HMI PROPERTIES, LTD., TO BE USED AS RIGHT OF WAY FOR 0.283 ACRE AND 0.326 ACRE LOCATED ON CLARK STATE ROAD.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0167-2000**

TO ACCEPT A DEED OF EASEMENT FROM WALTER H WILKE SR; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON JOHNSTOWN ROAD; FOR ROAD RIGHT OF WAY PURPOSES.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**ORD-0168-2000**

TO ACCEPT 18.225 ACRES ON PRICE ROAD; FROM MICHAEL L. HELMAN

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Ordinances: 1st reading, Waiver of 2nd Reading, Adoption as emergency.****ORD-0175-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FISHEL TECHNOLOGIES FOR A STUDY OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION CONNECTIVITY SYSTEM NECESSARY FOR THE CITY; TO WAIVE SECOND READING THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

**Motion Resolution****MR-0033-2000**

Motion to authorize use of \$3,025 from the State Law Enforcement Trust Fund for purchase of three M26 Advanced Tasers and accessories.

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

**MR-0034-2000**

Motion that the City has no objection to the Transfer of the D1, D2, D3, and D3A Liquor Permits - 161 Mill Street Inc., DBA Ricks.

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

**MR-0035-2000**

Motion to authorize use of funds not used for the West Johnstown Road project to be used for Survey Work for Gahanna Creekside Flood Study, \$16,000; from Account No. 101.145.5533, Capital Projects, Engineering.

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

**MR-0036-2000**

To authorize the Director of Public Service to go out for bids for the ITS, Phase 2 project, Improvement No. 744.

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

**MR-0037-2000**

TO APPROVE THE YEAR 2001 BUDGET AS SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL ON JULY 14, 2000, AND TO DIRECT AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO DELIVER SAID BUDGET TO THE FRANKLIN COUNTY OFFICE OF BUDGET NO LATER THAN JULY 21, 2000.

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

## Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member James-Arnold, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

## End of the Consent Agenda

- F. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**
- G. STANDING COMMITTEES: No reports.**
- H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS**

### Clerk - Legal

#### Z-0010-2000

To consider a zoning change application to rezone 32.952 acres from ER-1 to L-AR, Limited Overlay Apartment Residential; for property located at 5099-5145 Morse Road; Triangle Real Estate Services, Inc., by Glen Dugger, applicant.

Payne set Public Hearing for August 21, 2000.

**Scheduled for Public Hearing**

### Council

## I. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

### Ordinances Reported Out of Committee

#### ORD-0133-2000

TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO AWARD AND THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BYERS CHEVROLET FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 4WD SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

James-Arnold thanked Council for moving this item to the Regular Agenda; spent much time on this and this week have spoken with Chief and Deputy Chief; thank them for all the information provided; O'Brien has talked about the soft costs; agree with him on that; but we have recently upgraded many of our laws allowing us to move forward with enforcement of PUCO regulations; can stop for more than weight now; if we enforce for other issues, trucks will begin to stop cutting through because they know we enforce; all got the Chief's memo on the costs; the scales will be somewhere around \$52,000 to purchase; with all costs including officers we're at approximately \$175,000; when we weigh we need to call in another officer so we're committing the time of two officers; just don't see how we will recoup costs; in talking with other cities finding that the officer is being dedicated to this for 40 hours a week and revenue generated does not cover the cost; we need to focus on our other problems like speed; we are under attack in our neighborhoods by speeders; can't support.

O'Brien stated he appreciated the memo from Chief Murphy; did ride with Officer Apple when we started talking about this; stopped a truck that was 40,000 lbs overloaded and

had illegal connections; we need to stop these trucks in our city; if they had been travelling on a curve it would have easily tipped and caused us bigger problems; we can't begin to know the costs involved to our street improvement program.

Angelou noted truck after truck coming down Clotts Road; has to be doing damage to that street; agree with O'Brien; deterrent is there to make truckers choose other routes; feel this will be well worth the money.

Hogan stated he agreed with James-Arnold; can stop for other issues; officers are trained to spot unsafe trucks; 9 times out of 10 we're getting trucks on other violations and not on weight; not sure trucks would stop coming through; they may just avoid some of the main streets.

Payne stated she had also ridden with Officer Apple; found out that roads that were wavy in the middle are caused by overweight trucks; are times we can't do anything if we don't weigh.

McGregor stated he had not been a proponent of specialization; fought the bike patrols in the beginning; fought the dog; now have a horse patrol; am finding out that specialization does work; Frank Stewart who works with the dog is one of our most productive officers; am finding that an officer who is working in a specialized area is more interested and more involved and therefore more productive; have more than doubled the department in the 17 years I've been here; no new officers next year but we are doing more work; covering the city better and more efficiently; and have productive officers.

Angelou noted that no new officers are in next year's budget is because they have been hired early; are ahead of the study done several years ago in terms of hiring new officers; our bottom line is still the health, safety and welfare of our citizens; 10 years ago I would not have agreed that this specialization was needed; have found that the bike patrols, the dog, and the part time officers are all things that work well for us.

O'Brien noted that since we went to specialization, Gahanna has seen a decrease in crime with all other suburbs having an increase. McGregor noted it was not quite true to say there will be no increase in officers next year; with part time working as Court Bailiff we have freed up an officer to be on the street; with the hiring of a Communications Director yet this year we will be redeploying a sergeant back onto the street.

**A motion was made by Council Member Angelou, seconded by Council Member Kneeland, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>4</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>No</b>	<b>2</b>	Council Member Hogan and Council Member James-Arnold
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

### ORD-0151-2000

TO CREATE CHAPTER 931, PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, AS REQUIRED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Motion was made at this point to adopt.

Motion by Kneeland, seconded by O'Brien, to amend by Substitution. ROLL CALL:  
Voting yes: Kneeland, O'Brien, Hogan, James Arnold, Payne, Angelou. Motion carried.

Vote on original motion, as amended, was taken at this point.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member Hogan, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

**ORD-0152-2000**

TO CREATE CHAPTER 933, BACKFLOW PREVENTION REGULATIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, PERTAINING TO RULES AND REGULATIONS; AS REQUIRED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Motion was made at this point to adopt.

Motion by Kneeland, seconded by O'Brien, to amend by Substitution. ROLL CALL:  
Voting yes: Kneeland, O'Brien, Hogan, James Arnold, Payne, Angelou. Motion carried.

Vote on original motion, as amended, was taken at this point.

**A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member O'Brien, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

**ORD-0153-2000**

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FRANKLIN CONSULTANTS INC., FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR TEMPORARY PUMP STATION & FORCE MAIN, EASTGATE INDUSTRIAL SEWER, IMPROVEMENT NO. 761; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$22,500; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Adopted as an Emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

**ORD-0161-2000**

TO ZONE 3.59+/- ACRES AS L-SO, LIMITED OVERLAY SUBURBAN OFFICE; TO REZONE 8.75+/- ACRES AS L-CC, LIMITED OVERLAY COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL; TO REZONE 2.484+/- ACRES AS L-SO, LIMITED OVERLAY SUBURBAN OFFICE; AND TO REZONE 6.3+/- ACRES AS L-AR, LIMITED OVERLAY APARTMENT RESIDENTIAL; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON BEECHER ROAD, JOHNSTOWN ROAD, AND SHAGBARK ROAD; CANINI & PELLECCIA, INC. BY GLEN A DUGGER, APPLICANT

**A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**



<b>Yes</b>	<b>5</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland and Council Member Angelou
<b>No</b>	<b>1</b>	Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

**ORD-0169-2000**

TO ZONE 12.4+/- ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS ER-1, ESTATE RESIDENTIAL;  
FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4433 JOHNSTOWN ROAD; CITY OF GAHANNA,  
APPLICANT

**A motion was made by Council Member Kneeland, seconded by Council Member James-Arnold, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

<b>Yes</b>	<b>6</b>	President of Council Payne, Council Member Hogan, Council Member James-Arnold, Council Member Kneeland, Council Member Angelou and Council Member O'Brien
<b>Absent</b>	<b>1</b>	Vice President Stinchcomb

**J. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None.****K. REPRESENTATIVES****Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Kneeland**

Next meeting is August 14 at 8:00 a.m. at Heartland Bank.

**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Payne****Bd./Ed., Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools****Gahanna/Jefferson Joint Committee - James-Arnold****L. OFFICIAL REPORTS****Mayor**

McGregor noted that we have lost another key employee; Jack Hollerich, Crew Leader in Parks, left to work at Abigail House, the personal residence of Wexner.

**City Attorney****M. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Hogan stated he would be in the St. Matthew's dunk tank at some point this weekend; festival runs Thursday through Saturday.

James-Arnold stated she had great sympathy for Peck; know we can't put a 60 year old tree back; need to look at these issues closer in the future when we have such street projects; this area had an ambiance that has been devastated; would like to see us be able to work out something so things like this don't happen in the future.

Angelou stated it must have been very upsetting to see these trees come down; but know from experience that the project is at its bleakest now; once the project is complete and some semblance of order has been restored it will not look quite as bad; no you can't

replace 60 year old trees but it will not continue to look this bad.

**N. ADJOURNMENT: 9:05 p.m.**

MOTION by O'Brien, seconded by Angelou.

**End of Agenda**

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

*APPROVED by the City Council, this  
day of 2012.*

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**Chair Signature**