



City of Gahanna

Meeting Minutes

City Council

200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Jamie Leeseberg, President
Nancy R. McGregor, Vice President
Karen J. Angelou
Merisa Bowers
Brian D. Larick
Stephen A. Renner
Michael Schnetzer

April Beggerow, MPA, CMC, Clerk of Council
Council may caucus at 6:45 p.m.

Monday, February 3, 2020

7:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

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

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, February 3, 2020, in Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio. President of Council, Jamie Leeseberg, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice President of Council, Nancy McGregor, delivered an Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Agenda for this meeting was published on January 30, 2020.

Present 6 - Jamie Leeseberg, Michael Schnetzer, Brian D. Larick, Nancy R. McGregor, Karen J. Angelou, and Merisa Bowers

Absent 1 - Stephen A. Renner

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

C. HEARING OF VISITORS.

[2020-026](#)

Proclamation Proclaiming February 7-14, 2020 as Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week presented by Mayor Jadwin

Mayor Jadwin presented a proclamation recognizing February 7-14, 2020 as Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week to Kimberley Kline.

Ms. Kline introduced her daughter who has had multiple surgeries to repair a congenital defect. She shared that she didn't realize how frequent these defects occur and thanked the Mayor for presenting the Proclamation and helping to bring awareness to congenital heart defects.

D. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Mr. Larick introduced the items in Section D.

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

[ORD-010-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Parks & Recreation Department (MI Homes Compensation).

This item was introduced.

[ORD-011-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Parks & Recreation Department.

This item was introduced.

[ORD-012-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR THE 2020 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.

This item was introduced.

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

[2020-023](#) MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Minutes Approved.

Yes: 6 - Leeseberg, Schnetzer, Larick, McGregor, Angelou and Bowers

Absent: 1 - Renner

Ordinances on Second Reading:

[ORD-001-2020](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR USE OF CITY PROPERTY AS POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2020.

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-004-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Damage to City Property

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-005-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Sale of assets.

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-006-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Water Meter Proceeds

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-007-2020](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - Refuse fees.

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-008-2020](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH OHIO POWER FOR ELECTRIC AND OTHER CURRENT/FUTURE ENERGY OR COMMUNICATION PURPOSES.

This item was Adopted.

[ORD-009-2020](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH OHIO POWER FOR ELECTRIC AND OTHER CURRENT/FUTURE ENERGY OR COMMUNICATION PURPOSES.

This item was Adopted.

End of the Consent Agenda**Pass Consent Agenda**

A motion was made that the be Pass the Consent Agenda.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Larick, McGregor, Angelou and Bowers

F. REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick

No Report

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) - Angelou

Mrs. Angelou stated that the Executive Committee meets Thursday. Sunday they leave to go to Washington DC and will return Wednesday evening and next meeting Thursday afternoon.

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Leeseberg

Mr. Leeseberg stated that the winter herbal cocktails are out. Creekside Blues and Jazz festival planning is underway and Board meeting is February 27th.

School Board (SB) - Schnetzer

No Report

G. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor

Mayor Jadwin thanked Council for allowing the presentation of the Congenital Heart Defect week proclamation and thanked Ms. Kline for bringing it to her attention. The Parks & Rec department are in Sandusky attending the Ohio Parks & Recreation Association Conference where tomorrow they will receive the first place award for capital improvement projects for both the Big Walnut trail section 4 as well as the McKenna Creek restoration project. Over the last 30 days, added has been a new Director of Public Service and Engineering, Director of Parks and Recreation, Communications Manager and a search is underway for a Development Director and hopefully a Development Consultant partnership will be announced by the end of the week. Departmental realignments are underway focused on streamlining and modernizing operations. She shared the number of resident contact from the Police Department in a 24 hour period as 800-900 resident contacts. The utility billing main number in the last 30 has received 1153 calls from residents with questions. Over 200+ utility service appointments. Public Service

Director himself has had over 70 phone calls and over 70 interactions with people. This doesn't include Parks and Recreation and other forward facing departments.

City Attorney

Mr. Mularski said that the crosswalks at Cherrybottom and Johnstown Road have been a problem for some people and in discussion with Chief Spence and Mr. Crawford, flashing crosswalk indicators are going to be installed over the next few months.

H. COUNCIL COMMENT

Ms. Bowers stated that she submitted a January report for constituent update (Document 2020-029 attached). She thanked Mayor Jadwin for recognizing Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week. It was surprising how many residents have first-hand experience raising a child with a congenital heart defect. She updated information on constituent hours that she has been holding since January 6 from 4-6 pm at City Hall which has been well attended. The next community conversation on road safety and distracted driving is February 15th in the afternoon. Representative Lightbody and local resident Sharon Montgomery will be in attendance. There is a bill pending at the statehouse in regards to distracted driving. She thanked staff and administration for their outreach and follow up in regards to constituent concerns and she appreciates the collaboration on these issues.

Mr. Larick thanked Mr. Crawford for addressing the Heil Drive bridge issue that has been going on and addressing the flashing light on Rocky Fork.

Mayor Jadwin said she would pass the information along.

Mr. Schnetzer said that Mayor Jadwin's comments reminded him of a resident interaction last week. A gentleman reached out to Mr. Schnetzer with some concerns who reached out to Mr. Crawford who reached out to the Chief, and the Mayor got involved. The resident was quite pleased by the action so he commends the team and it was nice to see everyone hit the ground running. Much appreciated.

Mr. Leeseberg thanked Mayor Jadwin and constituents for bringing the Congenital Heart Defect Awareness week forward. He reminded about the open house on the gypsy moth spraying Wednesday at the Senior Center from 6-8 pm. It isn't the City doing it, it is the Department of Agriculture. Working on setting a schedule for Coffee with Council.

[2020-029](#)

Constituent Report- January, 2020: Merisa Bowers

I. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

*APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2020.*

**April Beggerow, MPA, CMC
Clerk of Council**

Jamie Leeseberg