



# 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.*

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Monday, March 2, 2020

7:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

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**A. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance led by Wolf Scout Den St. Matthews 3317, Roll Call**

Gahanna City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, March 2, 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 led by Wolf Scout Den St. Matthews 3317. Agenda for this meeting was published on February 28, 2020.

**Present** 7 - Jamie Leeseberg, Stephen A. Renner, Michael Schnetzer, Brian D. Larick, Nancy R. McGregor, Karen J. Angelou, and Merisa Bowers

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

None

**C. HEARING OF VISITORS.**

**Promotion and Oath of Office: Justin Sheasby to the rank of Sergeant.**

Mayor Jadwin administered the oath of office to new Sergeant Justin Sheasby.

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

Mr. Larick introduced the items in Section D.

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

[ORD-002-2020](#) ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 198-96 ON NOVEMBER 19, 1996 AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED: Changing the Zoning District of a 2.707 +/- acre parcel at 4569 Morse Road from Restricted Institutional District (RID); to Limited Overlay- Community Service District (L-CS); Win Stewart, applicant.

**This item was introduced.**

[ORD-024-2020](#) ORDINANCE TO GRANT A VARIANCE APPLICATION TO VARY SECTIONS 1107.01(d) - Required Improvements & 1108.01 (f) - General Requirements, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA TO DELAY THE REQUIREMENT FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT BUCKLES COURT; PARCEL ID 025-013773 & 025-013760 CURRENT ZONING: SELECT COMMERCIAL PLANNED DISTRICT (SCPD); LORETO CANINI.

**This item was introduced.**

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

[2020-041](#) MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

**The minutes were approved on the consent agenda.**

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

**Ordinances on Second Reading:**

[ORD-015-2020](#) ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A RECORDED LIMITED WARRANTY DEED FROM S-K GAHANNA, LLC.

**This item was adopted on the consent agenda.**

[ORD-017-2020](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT TO THE INTERSECTION OF REYNOLDSBURG- NEW ALBANY ROAD AND CLARK STATE ROAD IN JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP.

**This item was adopted on the consent agenda.**

[ORD-018-2020](#)

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ENGINEERING TO ENTER INTO A RENEWAL AMENDMENT WITH COLUMBUS FIBERNET (CFN), FOR MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF THE GAHANNA FIBER OPTIC NETWORK; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.

This item was adopted on the consent agenda.

### **End of the Consent Agenda**

### **Pass the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Renner, seconded by Angelou, 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. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

**G. COMMITTEE UPDATES: None**

**H. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:**

### **Clerk**

[2020-042](#)

January, 2020 Mayors Court Report

The Clerk read the receipt of the January 2020 Mayors Court Report into the minutes.

### **Council: None**

**I. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION; WAIVER & EMERGENCY ADOPTION:**

[ORD-025-2020](#)

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH CALFEE STRATEGIC SOLUTIONS, LLC., DBA CALFEE ZONING FOR PROFESSIONAL ZONING CODE REWRITE SERVICES; WAIVING SECOND READING AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Bowers stated that there was significant discussion on this item at the last committee meeting and she wanted to make sure that this agreement had been planned and in the budget and that the Planning Department was ready to proceed with this and that we had significant

time to discuss this issue prior to the adoption as an emergency with a waiver.

**A motion was made by Larick, seconded by Schnetzer, that the Ordinance be Adopted as an Emergency.. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## **J. REPRESENTATIVES:**

### **Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) - Larick**

Mr. Larick stated that CIC started a formal discussion around structure and ongoing focus and direction of the CIC. This will continue to move forward with economic development as the focus.

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

Mrs. Angelou said that this Thursday was the board meeting and the week following was the MORPC meeting.

### **Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) - Leeseberg**

Mr. Leeseberg shared: CVB Initiatives:

- \*Attended Gahanna KidsFest with a booth promoting things to do in Gahanna as well as classes at the Ohio Herb Center

- \*Attended a Bridal Show/Tastings Event at La Navona and spoke with brides and event planners to encourage them to work with GCVB to set up hotel room blocks

Herb Center Initiatives:

- \*The Ohio Herb Center held an Open House in January and another is scheduled for April 4.

- \*OHC offered 2 presentations at the Dispatch Home and Garden Show

Event Initiatives:

- \*Planning underway for the 2020 Creekside Blues & Jazz Festival. Soliciting sponsors and vendors, solidifying stage schedules and loading them to the website.

- \*Visit Gahanna will host an Annual Meeting on Wed, March 18 at noon at La Navona. Discover how keynote speaker Jason Duff's "Hustle Hard" approach and community collaboration can inspire you!

- \*Planning underway for Herb Day - May 2.

### **School Board (SB) - Schnetzer**

None

**K. OFFICIAL REPORTS:****Mayor**

Mayor Jadwin congratulated Sergeant Sheasby on his promotion and thanked the Wolf Den pack St. Matthews 3317. She shared updates of hiring a Marketing Manager who will start on March 23, Mary Szymkowiak. A follow up to EV charging stations, Mr. Crawford is currently reaching out to other communities and will provide more detail in future meetings. She announced that there will be public records training for the public Tuesday, March 31, 6-8 p.m. in Council Chambers. State of the City is March 19th. Update on Coronavirus, there are no cases in Ohio at this point and that the administration is in constant communication with local health officials and will keep everyone up to date as information comes in.

**City Attorney**

City Attorney Mularski gave an update on the three cases that are still outstanding. These cases are Speed Way Transportation, Burica and Gahanna v. Ohio Municipal Joint Self-Insurance Pool.

[2020-045](#)

1st quarter CASE UPDATE

**L. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Each member congratulated Sgt. Sheasby on his promotion and thanked the Wolf Den Pack 3317 for presenting the pledge.

Mrs. Angelou shared that the American Contract Bridge League was holding their national tournament at the Columbus Convention Center March 19-29th.

Ms. Bowers stated that her constituent report is out and has been added to the minutes. She shared information about the distracted driving community conversation February 15. State Representative Mary Lightbody and former city employee Sharon Montgomery participated in that discussion and discussed was pending legislation on that issue.

Mr. Renner thanked the Mayor for organizing the public outreach education opportunities for residents.

Mr. Larick said we have never been fully staffed in our police department in his term. He's glad to see we are working towards getting there.

Mrs. McGregor shared that Mr. Crawford said at a meeting the other evening that the Street Program was going to be 50% larger than it's ever been before this year. Between that and the added officers, the residents will see that the funds are being used as they voted for last spring.

## **M. ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

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

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

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**Jamie Leeseberg**