

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

April 8, 2010

President Donato called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk, Brian Watkins. ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mr Haney, Mr. Gyurko, Miss Dunlap, Mr Culbertson, Mrs Davis, Mrs Cottis. Mr. Peterson was ill and unable to attend the meeting.

MINUTES: of the last meeting were accepted as presented on a motion by Mr. Gyurko and seconded by Mrs. Davis. ROLL CALL: Mr. Gyurko, yes, Mrs. Davis, yes, Mrs. Cottis, yes, Mr. Haney, yes, Miss Dunlap, yes, Mr. Culbertson, yes

VISITORS: Laurel Burdette ó observer

REPORTS:

MAYOR: Mayor Reiger asked for an executive session to be held at the end of the open session to discuss personnel issues.

Police officers are asking the disorderly house/disorderly conduct ordinance to be looked at further. This ordinance was sent to Mr. O'Meara, the Assistant Law Director, for review. Officer Brandon McCray has compiled ordinances from other cities to see how they handle disorderly house/disorderly conduct issues. The problem our officers are having is multiple calls to the same house. What can they do is the question at hand? Mayor Reiger asked if this could be put into committee to see what could be done.

DIRECTOR OF CITY SERVICES: Monthly reports for March: Police ó 672 calls, Fire ó 24, Street Dept. ó most of the work they are doing now is patching holes.

The Waterpark is in need of "Spring Cleanup." We have received a proposal from the company that has done the work previously. Mr. Angelozzi believed the proposal was too high (\$2,500.00) and sought another proposal that was considerably lower (\$1,875.00). This figure includes fertilizing, trimming of shrubs, mulching, etc. Mayor Reiger explained that this is an expense that is in the operating budget. Mr. Angelozzi asked for permission to go with the lowest bid. Mr. Haney made a motion to accept the lowest bid from McConnell's Lawn Care and Landscaping for \$1,875.00, seconded by Mr. Gyurko. ROLL CALL: Mr. Haney, yes, Mr. Gyurko, yes, Miss Dunlap, yes, Mr. Culbertson, yes, Mrs. Davis, yes, Mrs. Cottis, yes.

The shed (purchased last year) that was at the park to store supplies to clean the bathrooms and shelter areas has been vandalized over the winter. The shed is demolished; however, all the equipment and supplies were left alone. There is no where to store these items.

Mr. Gyurko had a question about the storm sewer project and if there was a plan for the block of the city building. Mayor Reiger assured council that there is a plan and the police/fire vehicles will still have access in and out, as well as, Smith Ambulance. There have not been any complaints from local businesses as far as traffic concerns.

LAW DIRECTOR: nothing to report

AUDITOR: nothing to report

CORRESPONDENCE: President Donato received a letter from W.E. Quicksall involving the situation with AT&T. Mr. Hurless added the additional expenses W. E. Quicksall and Associates have incurred for providing documents to our law department is \$1,500.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MRS. COTTIS: The ordinance committee would like council to review the fire code ordinance involving the Ohio Fire Code and the International Fire Code. The firefighters would like to adopt the International Fire Code because it makes it easier to prosecute. Mr. Hurless made council aware that the International Fire Code impacts communities/restaurants/businesses. He advised council to make sure enough information gets circulated to area businesses/restaurants to make sure fire suppression systems are upgraded.

FEMA compliance has been taken care of.

Annexation ordinance/resolution for the land where Claymont High School is has not been located. Mr. Angelozzi has never received another call regarding this issue.

Codified fees have not been changed. Mr. Hurless said it was just a draft and he would look into it.

MRS. DAVIS: The issue of securing the city building was addressed. Mrs. Davis reported that around 4:00 when the city employees leave the building it is locked down. Mayor Reiger expressed this is already what is happening and not what he wanted this committee to discuss. The security issue will go back to committee.

MR. CULBERTSON: Would like approval of the job description/duties of council clerk. Many council members did not receive/review the description yet. This will be looked at and adopted at the April 22, 2010 council meeting.

Reported on Enterprise Zone Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2009. The booklet regarding all information discussed is available in the clerk's office.

MISS DUNLAP: nothing to report

MR. GYURKO: The end of May or beginning of June the Superintendent of the cemetery will be retiring. Cemetery board is currently looking at all applicants (approx. 100). They would like to have someone in place by the end of May so the incoming Superintendent will be able to work with the outgoing Superintendent. The board is thinking about routes to take to decide on what applicants to interview. Funding for the cemetery is down approx. \$20,000.00 and the budget for the cemetery doesn't look good. Healthcare costs are continuing to rise. Mr. Gyurko stated that he has always been proud of how the cemetery looks and wants to make sure that continues.

Finance committee will meet the first part of next week.

MR. HANEY: nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

MRS. DAVIS: Volunteered to train the Mayor's Secretary on the process of renting the pavilions at the park. Also, discussed a park cleaning crew.

MR. CULBERTSON: none

MISS DUNLAP: The issue of keeping LaPorte Drive private. The owner of the property has contacted her and wants to know what to do to make it public. A motion to keep LaPorte Drive private was made by Mr. Culbertson, seconded by Mr. Haney.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Culbertson, yes, Mr. Haney, yes, Mr. Gyurko, yes, Miss Dunlap, yes, Mrs. Davis, yes, Mrs. Cottis, yes.

Mr. Hurlless will draft a letter to the owners stating that council has voted to keep LaPorte Drive private.

NEW BUSINESS:

- There are bikes inside the West Side Park even though signs are posted stating there are no bikes allowed. Look into putting bike racks at the West Side Park.
- Mrs. Cottis would love to see the community support our schools during statewide testing week (April 19th to April 23rd). She asked for a Proclamation from the Mayor that businesses hang signs or put up something on their marquees/signs that wishes the students "good luck" during testing
- The Mayor would like everyone to know that on April 28th at 10:00 a.m. he will be on WBTC discussing the fire truck levy.
- Mr. Hurlless asked about the expense account of the Law Director. President Donato asked that the Clerk provide the Auditor with a copy of this Ordinance.
- President Donato made council aware that Resolutions, just like Ordinances, must be read three times according to Ohio Revised Code. If they are not read three times the rules have to be suspended, just as the case with Ordinances.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

A first reading was held on Resolution No. 1636 regarding the Panhandle Passage Trail.

ASSIGNMENTS:

- Park Committee: decide by next meeting on what to do with the shed at the city park
- Ordinance Committee: get something going on the disorderly house/disorderly conduct ordinance
- Grant Committee: all stop signs in the city have to be replaced by January 2012 ó find out if there is grant money available for stop signs
letter for grant ideas
- Youth and Rec. Committee: bike rack at West Side Park
tennis courts
- Business Activities: Mr. Danzo said that there will have to be changes to the õChipõ agreement/ordinance ó get with him to go over these changes
- Public Buildings: security at the city building
- Safety/Service: Emergency snow removal ordinance ó ideas/changes?

At 8:00 p.m. a motion to go into executive session with no action to follow was made by Mr. Culbertson and seconded by Mrs. Cottis. ROLL CALL: Mr. Culbertson, yes, Mrs. Cottis, yes, Mr. Haney, yes, Mr. Gyurko, yes, Miss Dunlap, yes, Mrs. Davis, yes.

At 8:20 a motion was made to adjourn the executive session by Mrs. Davis seconded Mrs. Cottis. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Davis, yes, Mrs. Cottis, yes, Mr. Haney, yes, Mr. Gyurko, yes, Miss Dunlap, yes, Mr. Culbertson, yes.

Brian Watkins
Clerk of Council

Mick Donato
President of Council