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CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

21 JUNE 2016

*Prior to the meeting, an invocation was read by Pastor Metcalf, New Beginnings Worship Center*

Council met in regular session with Mayor William Neyer presiding. Members present included: Mrs. Cindy Abrams, Mr. Ray Acra, Mr. Ethan Dole, Mr. Ryan Grubbs, Mr. Mark Louis, Mr. Hank Menninger, and Mr. Randy Shank. Mr. Bill Deters, Law Director was also in attendance

The meeting opened at 7:30 pm. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shank to approve the Council meeting minutes for June 7, 2016. Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shank to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes for June 7, 2016.

**Roll Call: Abrams – yea; Menninger – yea; Grubbs – abstain(was not present);**

**Louis – yea; Dole – abstain(was not present); Acra – yea; Shank – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to approve the Purchase Orders Report. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Council agreed to not request a hearing by the Ohio Division of Liquor Control on TREX Transaction for DBA Marcos, 10625 Harrison Avenue.

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to approve the Parks of Whitewater, Section 7, Block B Record Plat. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shank to add an item to the agenda regarding the approval of a resolution. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve a resolution authorizing an employment contract with Shannon David Hammons.

**Roll Call: All – yea. (Resolution #11 – 2016).**

**Visitors**

Mr. John Sweeney of 325 N. Sycamore Street addressed Council regarding parking issues on the Waterworks Playground. Mayor Neyer reported the parking citation issued earlier in the day will not be enforced after a review of the area and improper posting. The mayor, along with the Public Works Director and Chiefs of the Police and Fire Departments will meet next week to review parking needs in that area for

Appropriate parking spaces and where parking needs to be restricted due to safety issues. Once appropriate parking needs are determined, parking signage will be posted. The mayor explained there will be no overnight parking in the park area.

**Mayor Report**

Mayor Neyer presided over the swearing-in ceremony for the promotion of Harrison Police Officer Richard Sak to the rank of Detective. He also presided over the swearing-in ceremony for new police officer Eric Conner. Eric is a graduate of Harrison High School.

**Law Director Report**

Mr. Deters had no report, but asked for an executive session.

Mr. Acra made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shank to enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing numerous personnel issues. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

**Council – Committee Reports**

**Mrs. Abrams:**

**Civil Defense/Safety Committee:** The Civil Defense Committee met on June 21 and set a date for POD training. The training will take place on Saturday, August 6 at the Activity Center at 10:00 am. Volunteers are needed to serve on the POD **Points of Dispensing**. Pods are locations throughout the County which could be used to distribute medications in the event of a health emergency.

**Stormwater Committee:** No report.

**Economic Development Committee:** The first Farmer's Market of the season will be on Sundays, June 26 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. in the Historic District. ; The Harrison Family Fun Run is Saturday, July 2 at 8:00 am. at Harrison High School. All proceeds go to Christ's Loving Hands. Runners and walkers are encouraged to bring canned goods for the Mayors Fund. ; The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and festivities will be held on Sunday, July 3 beginning with a 4:00 parade followed by a 5:15 pm flag dedication ceremony at the Community Center for the new City of Harrison flag created by the WHHHS Flag Club.

Mayor Neyer reminded residents that there will be a dunking booth at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities. The cost is \$3.00 or 3 canned goods for 3 chances to dunk a city council member or director. All proceeds go to the Mayor's Fun

**Mr. Menninger:**

Fire & Emergency Medical Committee: Mr. Menninger reported on the following items from the June 21 meeting of the Fire Committee: The Fire Department Monthly Report showed the numbers of fire runs in the Division of Fire & Rescue and in the Division of EMS are even with those of last year. ; The Med-i-count report is on budget.; The new medic unit replacement has been ordered.; The county will sponsor a demonstration on how the CAGIS system can work better for our community. ; The department has been meeting with the Harrison Historical Society with respect to the preservation and maintenance of our Aarons-Fox Fire Truck.

Law Committee: No report.

TIRC: The Tax Increment Financing Council will meet on Thursday, June 23 at 11:05 am. at the Hamilton County Development Corp. offices.

**Mr. Grubbs**

Recreation Commission: The 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade is Sunday, July 3 at 4:00 pm. Parade line-up is at 3:00 pm. After the parade, the festivities begin at the Community Center to include games, clowns, magicians, and lots of food. The band *Gen X* will play throughout the evening. Rozzi Fireworks will begin at 10:00 pm. ; The next Friday Family movie night is July 1 with *The Minions*.; The next concert is June 28 featuring *The Menus*. Lt. Dan's New Legs will play on July 14. All concerts run from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. ; The next meeting of the Recreation Commission is scheduled for July 13 at 7:00 pm

Utilities Committee: The next meeting of the Utilities Committee is July 19.

**Mr. Louis:**

Police Committee: Mr. Louis congratulated newly promoted Detective Richard Sak and new police officer Eric Connor. Mr. Louis reported on the following items from the June 21 meeting of the Police Committee: The May Monthly Traffic Crash Analysis Report showed a total of 34 auto accidents with 28 on public roadways and 6 on private property. ; A new civil service entry level police officer exam will be given on August 6. The next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled for July 19 at 6:00 pm.

Chief Lindsey presented the *Wanted: Caught in the Act of Doing Good* award to Mr. Bill Halusek, an important anchor in the community. Mr. Halusek has been a valued sponsor and volunteer over 20 years for the Harrison Police and Fire Departments, as well as the Kiwanis Club, JTM, C & C Tire.

**Mr. Dole**

Information Technology: There will be an IT meeting on July 5 at 5:40 pm.

Solid Waste & Environmental: The Solid Waste & Environmental Committee will meet in conjunction with the Utilities and Streets Committees at 6:00 pm on July 19.

**Mr. Acra:**

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission met on June 14 with a workshop prior to the meeting to discuss ways to remove the pylon style signs from Harrison Avenue. The committee agreed to re-visit this concern at the next meeting. The next meeting of the Planning Commission is July 12 at 7:30 pm. Preceding the meeting at 7:00 pm will be public hearing on a PUD overlay and the building of the St. John's complex on Carolina Trace near New Haven Road.

Storm water Committee: Mr. Acra requested the Mayor appoint a new member to the Storm water committee since Mr. Acra is unable to attend meetings due to a meeting schedule conflict.

Building & Lands Committee: The committee will plan a field trip to the Willow Park. Willow Park is approximately 20 acres in size and is currently used as an ATV park.

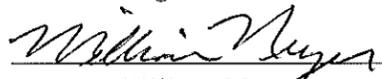
Mr. Acra explained the need to "house" the refurbished Ahrens Fox fire truck. His goal along with the Village Historical Society is to create a museum that is large enough to make it a destination stop for schools and for people inside and outside of the city.

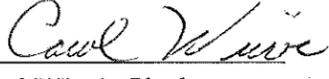
**Mr. Shank:**

Street Committee: Mr. Shank announced the next Streets Committee meeting will be held on July 5 at 6:00 pm. He also announced the Special Streets Meeting will be held sometime during the week of July 11 – 15.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee met on June 21 at 5:15 pm. Income tax revenue is running very strong. The city is financially sound, stable, and in good condition for more growth opportunities. The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for July 19 at 5:15 pm.

There being no further business, council entered into an executive session.

  
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Mayor William Ney

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Carol Wiwi, Clerk