

CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

6 September 2016

Prior the meeting, the invocation was read by Willisa Redford, Legacy Christian Church

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, and Mr. Randy Shank. Mr. Hank Menninger was not in attendance. Mr. Bill Deters, Law Director was also in attendance.

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

Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to approve the council meeting minutes for August 16, 2016. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

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

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shank to approve a PUD overlay on an existing R1 zoned parcel at 10263 New Haven Road. (St. John the Baptist Church). **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mrs. Abrams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to add two additional items to the agenda. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Acra to approve a resolution to consent to the Enterprise Zone Agreement between the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners and J.T.M. Provisions, Inc. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Resolution #13-2016).**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to approve a bid proposal by Vogelpohl Fire Equipment, Inc. for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (G1 SCBA) for the Harrison Fire Department. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mayor Neyer read a proclamation that proclaims September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Harrison.

Mayor Neyer presided over the ceremony of six new full-time firefighters of the Harrison Fire Department. The firefighters taking the oath included: Derick Hamon, Andrew Hardwick, Jason Krop, Andrew Robben, Adam Sadler, and Josh Volkerding.

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Visitors

Southwest Schools Superintendent, John Hamstra addressed council to apologize for his overly passionate comments he made before council during the August 16 council meeting.

Mr. Michael Mains addressed council with his concerns regarding the future of the Dunaway motor cross park, while the city continues work on the establishment of the Riverwalk Park. Mr. Mains explained the value of the motor cross park as well as the importance of public assess. He also spoke about the design of a future junior track and new adult track.

Mayor Report

Mayor Neyer announced the Harrison Township Clean-up will be held on Saturday, September 24 from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm on Industrial Drive off Campbell Road. He also announced residents can drop off old prescription drugs at the Harrison Township Civic Center on Saturday, September 24 in collaboration with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Dept.

Law Director Report

Mr. Deters had no report.

Council – Committee Reports

Mrs. Abrams:

Civil Defense Committee: No report.

Economic Development Committee: Mrs. Abrams reported on the following items from the September 6 meeting of the Economic Development Committee: The new Economic Development Director, Shannon Hamons will begin work on the Master Plan in late September.; A new video of the city is in the works, funded by the Chamber of Commerce and the Township, will begin with the Taste of Harrison.; Mayor Neyer met with representatives from the YMCA. The next meeting of the Economic Development Committee is scheduled for October 4 at 6:30 pm.

Mrs. Abrams reminded the community that the Taste of Harrison will take place on Saturday, September 10 from 5:00 until 10:00 pm. in Historic Downtown Harrison. There will be 14 food vendors along with 5 live bands. Mrs. Abrams announced the addition of two additional Farmer Market dates for September 25 and October 30. Finally, Mrs. Abrams reported the

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Ohio Check Book program will move forward with the hiring of a new Finance Director.

Mayor Neyer announced the Mayor's Fund Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, September 24. Contact Jean Wilson or Mayor Neyer if you wish to sponsor a team or become a sponsor.

Mr. Grubbs:

Tree Board: Mr. Grubbs reported the Tree Board is in the process of making plans for a tree project along Broadway starting at the intersection of Harrison Avenue. The next meeting of the Tree Board will be held on September 27 at 7:00 pm

Harrison Recreation Commission: Mr. Grubbs announced the City Wide Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, September 10 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Set-ups begin at 6:00 am. The Recreation Commission is also working on this year's *Spooktacular*. The next meeting of the Recreation Commission is scheduled for September 14 at 7:00 pm.

Utilities Committee: Mr. Grubbs reported the Utilities Director, Jim Leslie is gathering information on the process of reverse osmosis to help soften our city water. The Utilities Committee is revisiting the security systems at the water treatment plant.

Mr. Louis

Mr. Lewis thanked Mike Mains for his comments and suggestions with regards to the motor cross park.

Law Committee: Mr. Louis reported in Mr. Menninger's absence on the following items from the September 6 meeting of the Law Committee: The committee discussed the JEDD agreement along with the upcoming Master Plan. The committee also discussed proposals on marijuana dispensing legislation. The next meeting of the Law Committee will take place on October 4 at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Louis reminded the community of the special September 11 program honoring first responders, veterans, and active military will be held on September 11 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the Martin Marietta Theatre.

Mr. Dole:

IT Committee: Mr. Dole reported that Mr. Shannon Hamons will take over the responsibility of IT upgrades thru Phase II and Phase III.

Solid Waste & Environmental Committee: The Hamilton County Solid Waste District recycling grant application has been submitted for the first half of 2016. The Yard Waste program continues on the last Saturday of the month from 8:00 until 2:00 behind Industrial

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Drive. The September 24 Yard Waste program will be in conjunction with the Harrison Township Clean-up

Mr. Acra:

Planning Commission: Mr. Acra announced the next meeting will take place on September 13 at 7:30 pm.

Building & Lands: Mr. Acra reported on the following items from the August 13 meeting of the Building & Lands Committee: The committee is requesting \$25,000 for the restoration of the Village Park.; The new parking lot at the Waterworks park on Thomas Lane has been completed and the next phase should include the installation of trees.; The committee and township representatives discussed the addition of a new shelter at the Community Center.; The committee discussed bringing back a cleaning service for the Community Center along with ADA handicap van accessibility on election day.:

Riverwalk Park: The committee believes the park can co-exist with the Motor cross ATV Park and discussed combining the two entities for insurance and to reduce liability. The committee made the following suggestions: 1) Close the motor cross park for a season except to city workers while construction and maintenance is taking place. 2) Secure a grant for a boat ramp to be used by the Harrison Fire Department. 3) Add an additional Street Department employee and double the number of summer employees.

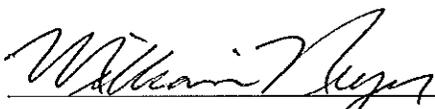
Mr. Shank:

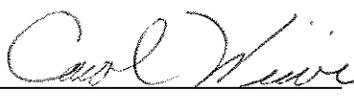
Streets Committee: The next Street Committee is scheduled for October 4 at 6:00 pm.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee will meet on September 20 at 5:15 pm. The budget process is forthcoming.

Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, along with contract issues. **Roll Call: All – yea.** There being no further business, Mr. Louis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to adjourn the meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

There being no further business, Council entered into executive session.


William Neyer, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Carol Wiwi, Clerk