

President of Council Marjorie Harlow called Council to order on October 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

The governmental body and those in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. McNear took roll call. Present were Council members Diehl, Emerson, Hawkins, Knox, Squires, Vanover and Harlow.

The minutes of September 18, 2013 were approved with seven affirmative votes.

COMMUNICATIONS - none

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chris Zimmerman, 11595 Princeton Pike, co-owner of Gilligan Oil Shell Station, said we purchased this site in 2006 from Shell Oil when my company bought all of Shell's corporate assets in greater Cincinnati. In 2012 we tore the store down and rebuilt it from scratch, adding 2500 square feet. I'm here to request your support for a C-2 liquor license. We currently have a C-1 which allows us to sell beer. In the State of Ohio you are required to have a C-2 to sell wine. I'm not going to pay the \$10,000 the license will cost to sell Mad Dog. Wine has changed and is now 15 percent of all alcohol consumed in the State of Ohio. In our other stores we carry 300 to 400 different bottles of wine. Most of the other convenient stores in the City sell wine and there is a limit to the number of permits. I'm asking for your support so I can get another license in so we can offer this because that's what customers are looking for and that's what we need to be competitive in the market place. We did invest a lot of money in the City and we're good operators, locally based. I need your support or it's not even worth pursuing the matter.

Mrs. Harlow asked are you asking for a letter of support? Mr. Zimmerman replied yes.

Mr. Vanover said I see no problem. The final product we have there is phenomenal.

Mayor Webster said I received a call from Chris this afternoon and referred him to Jeff Forbes. We've done this for other concerns. We want to transfer a license for economic development reasons. I think if we have a motion of Council saying you support this endeavor, then the Finance Director/Clerk of Council can write a letter to Chris saying the City has no objections and we support the issuance of this C-2 for economic development purposes. Then he can take that letter to Ohio Liquor Control and hopefully that will be enough to get the license transferred in.

Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Squires offered their support.

Mr. Vanover made a motion to allow Mr. Zimmerman to acquire a C-2 license for economic development. Mr. Squires seconded. The motion passed with seven affirmative votes.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 30-2013

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED JOINT SELF-INSURANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT BENEFITS POOL (CLGBP) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Vanover made a motion to adopt and Mr. Squires seconded.

Mr. Thamann stated Mr. Parham gave a report at the last meeting that I submitted to him on the proposed amendments. If there are any questions I'll gladly address those. This is the second amended amendment to this agreement.

Ordinance 30-2013 passed with seven affirmative votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 31-2013

ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM CDS ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THE JAKE SWEENEY PLACE ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Vanover made a motion to adopt and Mr. Knox seconded.

Mayor Webster said the first proposal we got was for \$54,000.

Ordinance 31-2013 passed with seven affirmative votes.

RESOLUTION R10-2013

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES FOR 2014

Mr. Knox made a motion to adopt and Mr. Vanover seconded.

Resolution R10-2013 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Mrs. Harlow said I'd like to make our TV audience aware that if you are 65 years or older you can apply for the homestead exemption on your taxes. I was recently told that starting January 1, 2014 they are changing their procedures for homestead exemptions for senior citizens. In 2014 it will be income based so you will have to provide your income and a decision will be made based on your income.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Webster said we had a couple here last Council meeting expressing concern about the unkempt rain garden at the City's parking lot. I received a phone call from Mary Koch thanking the City for cleaning that up. It was a Public Works oversight and we did get that cleaned up right away after it was brought to our attention two weeks ago.

Mayor Webster said also Mr. Mick Higgins is in the audience. He brought to our attention a situation at 584 Observatory. Hopefully he has seen some improvement there. We have some pictures of the site and it was pretty bad. There is a report from Mr. McErlane as of September 30 reading: "We have determined that the house has a consistent color scheme. The entire house and addition were painted after the addition was constructed and the entire house was re-roofed so a consistent roof line and shingle color is carried throughout. The garage door is a different color but that is not uncommon to see the garage door and front door painted a different color for accent in various locations throughout the City. I've attached photos for your use. Gordon King, Building Inspector, issued an order on September 20, 2013 to cut the grass and weeds, remove the mulch pile from the driveway and remove blocks, boards and pallets on the property by September 27, 2013. When Gordon checked on September 30, he found the property to be in compliance. The attached photos showed that the buckets located in the front yards and side yards contain live plants and are not a source of mosquito infestation. If you find that to be not true, let us know and we will send the Health Department out to take a look at that. With regards to future problems we will keep an eye on the grass and weeds. Unfortunately, the owner has made it more difficult to maintain the grass and weeds on the property by randomly planting trees, shrubs and perennials." Mayor Webster said I would hate to try to cut this with a push mower. It's absolutely ridiculous but it looks better than when you brought it to our attention.

NEW BUSINESS - none

MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Planning Commission - Oct 8

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Board of Health	-	Oct 10
Board of Zoning Appeals	-	Oct 15
Fire Department Open House	-	Nov 3

Mr. Thamann stated the Police Department issued a media release yesterday regarding the National Drug Take Back Day and I would like to read that to you. "The Springdale Police Department in cooperation with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will be participating in the Seventh National Prescription Drug Take Back Day which will take place on Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is a great opportunity for those who missed the previous events or subsequently accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs to safely dispose of those medications. Anyone wanting to safely dispose of any unwanted or expired prescription drugs may drop them off at the Walgreen's Store located at 385 Northland Boulevard, Springdale OH 45246 on October 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m." Then he added a little information about the past campaigns. Americans participated in the DEA's Sixth Nation Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 27, 2013 and turned in more than 742,000 pounds of unwanted and expired medications for safe and proper disposal. Including all six of those campaigns, they received more than 2.8 million pounds or 1,409 tons of prescription medicines that have been turned back in.

Mr. Thamann said every five years FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) requires each multi-hazard mitigation plan to be reviewed and updated. They sent a notice to the County and we participate with the County's plan. We participated in that review and the plan has been updated. They sent it back to FEMA. FEMA has approved our plan for Hamilton County. The next step in the process is to have each jurisdiction approve the plan so we'll be requesting legislation at the October 16 meeting to approve the 2013 Hamilton County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. If you don't adopt it, and there is an emergency we won't be entitled to any federal dollars.

Mrs. Harlow said I'd like to backtrack to 584 Observatory, Mayor Webster. Was anything said on the driveway? That looks pretty rough.

Mayor Webster said that's the way it looked before they cleaned it up.

Mrs. Harlow said the driveway is still broken and cracked.

Mayor Webster said the mulch pile is cleaned up.

Mr. Squires said that's the way the driveway looked the day before yesterday with the cars there.

Mayor Webster replied the cars are still there. As long as they aren't parked in the grass there isn't anything we can do about it.

Mrs. Harlow asked we can't do anything about the driveways?

Mayor Webster said our inspector did not detect that the driveway itself was qualified for replacement. The mulch pile had to be removed and it was removed.

Mrs. Harlow said I haven't personally seen the driveway.

Mayor Webster asked then why do you want us to replace it?

Mrs. Harlow said I'm just asking. In the picture it looks pretty rough.

Mayor Webster said I'm sure it is but I'm sure there are other ones in the City that are rough also.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE - none

UPDATE ON LEGISLATION STILL IN DEVELOPMENT

Adopting amendments to the ORC - TBD

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Mutual Aid Police Protection - TBD

RECAP OF LEGISLATIVE ITEMS REQUESTED

Multi-Hazardous Mitigation Plan - Oct 16

Mr. Squires asked did we get a resolution from the Board of Elections regarding our Charter saying 75 days versus 90 days? I think it's Article 5, B4.

Mr. Forbes said your Charter says 75 days.

Mr. Squires asked is that what we go by?

Mr. Forbes replied yes. The Board of Election knows that your Charter controls. They know now.

Mr. Squires asked what about Mr. Higgins? I thought he had his petitions there in time and they turned him down.

Mr. Forbes replied from what we can tell that appears to be the case. If Mr. Higgins wants to pursue that with the Board of Elections he would have every right to do that. I can tell you with no doubt that your Charter says 75 days and that's what should control in this situation.

Council adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:

Marjorie Harlow, President of Council

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