

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.**

The City Council Meeting was called to order by President Sylvia Lawson at 7:00 P.M. The invocation was given by Miss Reusch and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cook, Mr. Lombardo, Mr. Lingo, Mr. DeBruler, Miss Reusch, and Mr. Wolf. A motion to excuse Mr. Roetting was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Miss Reusch. An aye vote carried the motion.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Auditor Jill Claire, Safety Service Director Bill Kocher, Mayor George Rouse, Treasurer Deb Schaefer, and Law Director Steve Wolf.

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the February 7 Council meeting as printed was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mr. DeBruler. An aye vote carried the motion. A motion to adopt the minutes of the February 13 special Council meeting as printed was made by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

President Lawson noted that on Saturday, March 4 from 5 to 7:30 P.M. the Fire Department will hold their annual spaghetti dinner in the Assumption church cafeteria. The dinner is \$5/person and includes spaghetti with meatballs, salad, bread, a drink, and dessert. This dinner will raise money for the Fire Department. The spaghetti and sauce are donated by Angilo's and the salad by Hammond's Meats.

CITIZENS/GUESTS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Brent Gray, candidate for District 29 representative to the Ohio House of Representatives, addressed Council to describe his reasons for becoming a candidate and what he hopes to achieve if elected. Mr. Gray lives in Colerain Township and his children attend Mt. Healthy schools. Mr. Gray has worked at the Mt. Healthy post office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Kocher said that the paperwork got to the county on time and the general fund levy renewal is scheduled to be on the ballot in the May primary. The cost of this renewal will be \$34.74/year for a \$100,000 home.

Officer Seiter was in an accident a few weeks ago. He is fine and back at work. The car is not fine and the city is working with the insurance company on getting it fixed. The first estimate was \$8000 for repairs.

Mr. Kocher asked that the ordinance authorizing the city to obtain bids for the grinding and overlay project be passed tonight so that we can begin advertising as we are required to do. He hopes that contractors may be willing to offer better deals this early in the season.

Mr. Kocher met with Roger Short Associates on Friday about Phase 2 of the park renovation in preparation for the grant money we will receive this year. He expects to go over the Phase 2 plans again with Council in March.

The Planning Commission has approved a new BMW motorcycle repair shop at the drive-in property. There is no other business of this kind within 100 miles. New businesses don't typically go through Planning Commission review but this one did. There were concerns about noise, but they have been satisfactorily addressed and the business should be opening soon.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Wolf noted receipt of a copy of the city schools audit.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Ms. Claire noted that the January month end report is in the packets.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Schaefer stated that she balanced with the Auditor and the bank for the month of January. The Tax Department had receipts of \$143,000 in January and is working on year-end reconciliation. They have sent out tenant/landlord letters to update their records.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. **06-1481** An Ordinance to Advertise for Bids and Approve the Lowest Responsible Bidder for the City of Mt. Healthy 2006 Paving Improvements Project. Mr. Kocher said that the priorities for this project are Kinney between Hamilton and Martin and McMakin between Perry and Harrison. There is a list of others to be completed if there is enough money. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. An aye vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Wolf and seconded by Mr. DeBruler. An aye vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Roetting absent.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Wolf and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. An aye vote carried the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Sylvia Lawson, President of Council

Margaret Roulier, Clerk of Council