

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 20, 2007 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 Mr. Wolf and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Lombardo, Mrs. Lingo, Mr. DeBruler, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Roetting, and Mrs. Moody. A motion to excuse Mr. Cook was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. 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 March 6 Council meeting as printed was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Wolf. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building and Zoning committee met last Tuesday to go over the changes requested by Mr. Mack and Mr. Knight. One of the ordinances implementing those changes will be considered tonight.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Brian Hayes foundation is planning a walk-a-thon fundraiser on May 6. Registration will begin at noon in the park, and the walk will start at 1 P.M. A couple of police officers have volunteered to donate their time. The foundation is also looking for walkers.

Mr. Kocher will meet with Rumpke tomorrow to work on the addendum to our contract with them. The addendum is based on the original bid specification. It should be signed soon.

The house on Werner was demolished by city employees. Mr. Kocher had agreed to solicit bids from outside contractors but the city was still open to negotiating with Wells Fargo up to the last minute. Because this might have been a difficult situation for an outside contractor, he decided to proceed with the city crew instead.

Mr. Lombardo asked about the Lutheran church property near the post office, which still has caution tape up. The church has received all of the necessary approvals and groundbreaking for the addition is planned for Palm Sunday.

The city plans to wrap up the new land use plan at a final public meeting on April 3 before the Council meeting. Mr. Kocher asked Council to help distribute flyers notifying residents of the meeting.

Mr. Kocher and Chief Schaefer will visit Clinton County on Thursday and begin preparing a contract for them to house prisoners from Mt. Healthy. Mr. Kocher will meet with the finance committee in May to work this into the budget.

Chief Schaefer is working on a thorough policy for the officers who will be transporting prisoners.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT: None.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

February month end reports were distributed in the packets. The 2006 GAAP report is underway; once it is complete we will begin the 2005-06 outside audit.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Schaefer reported that she balances with the bank and with the Auditor for the month of February.

CITIZENS/GUESTS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Nicholas Stenger addressed Council about a **parking ticket and subsequent arrest warrant** he received during the recent snow emergency. He never received the ticket, so the first he heard was when he received a warrant for his arrest. It ruined his weekend. He talked with Chief Schaefer, who provided a copy of the ticket and said it was left on Mr. Stenger's windshield. Mr. Stenger says that the ticket was dated 00:36 A.M. and that he moved his car at 4:30 A.M. but did not see any ticket. The officer who left the ticket did not wake Mr. Stenger up to ask him to move his car. The ticket has a printed statement that if it is not paid on time, the city will issue a summons to court but Mr. Stenger never received any summons. Mr. Stenger asked when the snow emergency was declared and how much time is reasonable for the city to allow residents to move their cars, and asked why the city skipped directly from issuing a ticket to issuing an arrest warrant with no summons or court proceeding in between.

Mayor Rouse and Mr. Kocher were not aware of this issue but they will investigate and get back to Mr. Stenger. Mr. S. Wolf commented that there may be a gap in the city's procedure.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance **07-1502** An Ordinance to Advertise for Bids and to Approve the Lowest Responsible Bidder for the City of Mt. Healthy 2007 Paving Improvement Project. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt this ordinance was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mrs. Moody. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Cook absent.

Ordinance **07-1503** Ordinance for Full Certification. An Ordinance Authorizing a Request to the Ohio Board of Building Standards to Certify the City of Mt. Healthy, Ohio For Enforcement of

the Residential Code of Ohio to Exercise Enforcement Authority and to Accept and Approve Plans and Specifications, and Make Inspections. We are already enforcing this building code; this legislation will make it official. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. DeBruler. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt this ordinance was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Wolf. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Cook absent.

Ordinance **07-1504** Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Approximately \$25,000 of Computer Acquisition General Obligation Bonds of the City of Mt. Healthy, County of Hamilton, Ohio and Declaring an Emergency. This is the loan to purchase police software that was discussed last meeting. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. DeBruler. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt this ordinance was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Cook absent.

Ordinance **07-1505** Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Approximately \$75,000 of Vehicle Acquisition General Obligation Bonds of the City of Mt. Healthy, County of Hamilton, Ohio and Declaring an Emergency. This is the loan to purchase a dump truck that was discussed last meeting. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt this ordinance was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Wolf. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Cook absent.

Ordinance **07-1506** Ordinance Consolidating Two Bond Issues of the City of Mt. Healthy, Ohio Aggregating Approximately \$100,000 in Principal Amount and Declaring an Emergency. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0. A motion to adopt this ordinance was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Wolf. A roll call vote carried the motion, 6-0, with Mr. Cook absent.

RESOLUTIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. An aye vote carried the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Sylvia Lawson, President of Council

Margaret Roulier, Clerk of Council