

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING December 16, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Don Crank at 7:00 P.M. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Lombardo, Mrs. Lingo, Mr. Wolf, Mrs. Cole, Mr. Bittner, Ms. Brandy. A motion to excuse Mrs. Moody was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Ms. Brandy. An aye vote carried the motion.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Auditor Jill Claire, Safety Service Director Bill Kocher, Treasurer Deb Schaefer, Law Director Steve Wolf, Mayor Joseph Roetting

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the December 2, 2008 Council Meeting was made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mr. Bittner. An aye vote carried the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Pam McDonald from Time Warner Cable sent a letter regarding rate changes effective 1/1/2009.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Dave Russell is the Senior Engineer at Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati. Dave and his family have lived in Mt. Healthy for 3 years now. Dave and his wife have been actively involved in the Cincinnati Environmental community for about 17 years. They have been looking for an opportunity to work in Mt. Healthy and to do a project here in Mt. Healthy to give back to the community that they love. They are looking for any opportunity to give back and use their expertise to help Mt. Healthy. Dave has been working on an application to gather funds for a Heritage Park water quality improvement project. This is an MSD project that will eliminate the sanitary sewer overflow that currently discharges into Heritage Park Lake. This will allow MSD to collaborate with the City of Mt. Healthy to serve as an example of future MSD projects.

Dave and Bill Kocher will be meeting regarding this project. They will need to pass a resolution at the next council meeting to send with the application, which is due January 9, 2009. There is no money from the city needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The **Business, School and Liason** committee; Mr. Lombardo attended a Mt. Healthy Business Association meeting and they are setting up a winter social for January 17th at Just One More at 6:30pm. Council is invited.

Mt. Healthy Business Association reported there were less luminary kits sold this year than in 2007.

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

Mayor Roetting would like to give "Thanks" to all the volunteers in Mt. Healthy. The City would not be where it is today if it wasn't for all the volunteers. Everybody is greatly appreciated.

SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Kocher addresses the budget. It is a very tight budget. We pulled out a lot of capital projects and keeping it as tight as we can. There is still the Werner Avenue project budgeted in 2009. Clovernook Avenue near Adams Road is in the works, but has not been approved yet.

The full time police clerk has taken another position. There is a part time police officer that we would like to offer the position to. She is already trained on our system, which is a huge benefit.

CIC met tonight before the council meeting. We had to move quickly on this real estate property at 7720 Perry Street. We put a bid in of \$28,000 and they accepted. CIC is going to purchase the property and the City will then purchase from CIC when the community development funds are received. The plan right now is to tear the property down.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

The November month end reports are in your packet.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Schaefer stated that she balanced with the bank and the auditor's office for the month of November.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 08-1538. An ordinance for the 2009 Annual Appropriation. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Wolf and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1539. An ordinance to transfer funds from the general fund to other funds covering budgeted expenditures and declaring an emergency. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Wolf and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1540. An ordinance amending the 2008 appropriations and declaring an emergency. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1541. An ordinance to set compensation for the fire department employees of the City of Mt. Healthy for the year 2009 and thereafter. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1542. An ordinance to set compensation for certain full time employees of the City of Mt. Healthy. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mr. Bittner. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1543. An ordinance to set compensation for certain appointed officials of the City of Mt. Healthy. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Cole. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1544. An ordinance approving the agreement between the City of Mt. Healthy and Mt. Healthy Police Association, representing the Mt. Healthy police sergeants. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mr. Bittner. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

Ordinance 08-1545. An ordinance amending section 39.006(B)(1) of the Mt. Healthy code of ordinances regarding the municipal income tax. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Wolf. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 08-981. A resolution approving the proposed agreement between the City of Mt. Healthy and the Mt. Healthy Maintenance Association. There was a motion to make a change in the second paragraph made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Ms. Brandy. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Wolf would like to follow up from the last meeting regarding David Michel and the parking situation on Werner. Mr. Michel had already got together a petition and had it signed by neighbors. This is going to be an easy fix by taking the signs down and put up "No Parking Here to corner."

Mrs. Cole would like to "Thank" Ross for helping her husband decorate the City building since she was unable to make it.

NEW BUSINESS:

A special "Thanks" to Paul Young Funeral Home for setting up for the 62nd year. Council has agreed to send an official letter of appreciation to Paul Young. This is an icon event for the City of Mt. Healthy.

Mr. Bittner would like to have police patrol during drop off and pick up times at Jane Hoop School. Parents are parking illegally and having their kids run between cars and busses to be picked up and dropped off. This is teaching the kids very bad habits.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Donald Crank, President of Council

Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council