

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 23, 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. Moody, Mr. Bittner, Mrs. Cole. A motion to excuse Ms. Brandy was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Moody. An aye vote carried the motion. Ms. Brandy arrived at 7:20pm.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Treasurer Deb Schaefer and Safety Service Director Bill Kocher.

**MINUTES:**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

City of Mt. Healthy city schools sent an invitation to all council members to break ground on the new Junior/Senior High School on Monday, October 6, 2008 at 5:30pm.

**CITIZENS/SPECIAL GUESTS:**

Angie Buettner attended a seminar "Be Prepared Ohio." This was a really good seminar. She would like to discuss with the safety committee the details of this seminar. There is a medical volunteer organization. Ohio FEMA was there.

Mrs. Lingo from the safety committee agreed to hear what Angie had learned at the seminar.

Kim Cremeans from Mt. Healthy Business Association would like to thank everybody for all their help with Celebrate Mt. Healthy. They feel the event was a success. Also, a special Thanks to John Peters for doing such a great job.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None

## **MAYOR'S REPORTS:**

None.

## **SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Kocher states the street department has been doing a great job cleaning up the storm damage. They have brought in extra guys to help out and were able to rent a wood chipper. They have been going around and picking up the limbs 6 inches or less and must be out at the curb. Mr. Kocher is hoping to get FEMA assistance that will help us with the additional clean up expense. There is eventually going to be a cutoff date set and this will be communicated with the residents. Rumpke will continue to pick up the debris, which you need to meet requirements of 4 inches or less bundled and put smaller debris in bags.

A motion was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Lingo for Mr. Kocher to move forward with the Hamilton County Storm Water District 2009 storm water budget. This is a program that has been in place for several years. This allows Mr. Kocher to continue to work with the county on this project.

Mr. Kocher met with all department heads and initiated the budgeting process. It is put on the back burner for right now. We will be moving forward with the budget at this time of the year.

There have been emails sent out regarding the road salt shortage. The shortage is happening everywhere. Most communities are in better shape because they have larger stock pile areas. We are going to have to purchase salt this year. We can't afford to purchase what we put out last year at the current prices. One of the things the city is looking at is the Brine and building a brine tank. There is another option of Calcium Chloride. The county has been encouraging joint purchasing of salt with other cities.

There will be a public hearing before the next council meeting. We are getting ready to do the Community Development Block Grant process. There will be two public hearings; opening it up for public input. Through the application process the city has been able to get around 150-175 thousand dollars. We have three phases and looking at funding new projects in the park. The grant application will be in the next packet.

Celebrate Mt. Healthy was a great effort on a lot of people's part. We have learned some things and will continue to make it a success. This is the first year we have branded it "Celebrate Mt. Healthy" and will continue to work towards that. We will continue to make improvements and keep it at the second weekend in September, which the fireworks company is committed to that date.

## **LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

None.

### **AUDITOR'S REPORT:**

On Jill Claire's behalf Mr. Kocher stated that there would be a resolution coming regarding the legislation on the availability of funds. This will need to be passed at the next council meeting.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution 08-975.** A resolution authorizing the City of Mt. Healthy to contract for Public Health Services received the second reading.

### **ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance 08-1533.** An ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to accept the bid for the St. Clair Avenue resurfacing and declaring an emergency. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Bittner. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

**Ordinance 08-1534.** An ordinance repealing section 90.02 of the Mt. Healthy code of ordinances regarding pit bulls received the first reading.

**Ordinance 08-1535.** An ordinance approving the contract agreement between the City of Mt. Healthy and the Mt. Healthy part-time patrolmen. 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 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Cole. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mrs. Moody will not be at the October 7<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Mr. Bittner inquires about the status of the annexation with the school. The final piece of legislation will be passed at the October 7<sup>th</sup> council meeting and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Leroy Meier was named Citizen of the Year.

**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 7:55 P.M.

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Donald Crank, President of Council

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Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council