

## MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 3, 2012

The council 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:**

***Present:*** Mr. Lombardo, Mrs. Lingo, Mr. Wolf, Mrs. Moody, Mr. Bittner, Ms. Brandy, Mr. Parsons

***Absent and Excused: none.***

### **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

### **MINUTES:**

A motion to adopt the minutes as printed of the December 20, 2011 Council Meeting was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Ms. Brandy. An aye vote carried the motion.

*A motion by Ms. Brandy was made for Mr. Bittner to fill in as president at our next council meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lingo. An aye vote carried the motion.*

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

**Julie Turner;** The Mt. Healthy Urban Tree Commission will be hosting a community open house from 2-4pm on January 29th at the city's community room next to the pool. This group has just been officially authorized by City Council; its goal is to enhance our city by encouraging and assisting with the planting of new trees throughout Mt. Healthy, and by educating residents on tree care and preservation. We wish to let the community know who we are, and to hear from residents as to their visions/wishes for our "urban forest." Wendi van Buren, the Regional Urban Forester from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will be on hand to answer questions. Please join the Commission for hot beverages, cookies, and plenty of useful information about trees and how they benefit our community.

**Reginald** ; Interested in opening a Youth Football Program and use the Mt. Healthy name. Would like to use the park ball fields as the playing field. Mayor Roetting would like to talk with him about this. Leave your information with Mayor Roetting and he will get back to you.

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

Mrs. Sylvia Lawson is here this evening for the swearing in of our council members. All members stood and were sworn in. A welcome to the newest council member, Mr. Parsons.

Mayor Roetting asked Sylvia to come up tonight to express the importance of volunteers in The City of Mt. Healthy and there is nobody better than Sylvia Lawson to represent that group of people. Without the help of our volunteers the city would not be where it is today. "Thanks" to all those that do volunteer work.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None.

### **MAYOR'S REPORTS: *Joseph Roetting***

Red Wing Shoe store has closed after 40+ years being in Mt. Healthy. The corporate office would not renew their lease. They lost the franchise. We did try to see if there is anything the Business Association or the city could do to help keep them. There is a need to start getting new businesses into our city.

### **SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTR'S REPORT: *Bill Kocher***

To follow up on the LED traffic signal project. We are working with our consultants and found out we that Duke offers incentives when you change out to more efficient lighting. Ray is working on this project to see what needs to happen and we found out we are going to get \$6600 back from Duke.

The survey is done at the Duvall School site. We need to get the consolidation recorded. Would like to ask council for a motion to allow him to sign the consolidation of the two parcels. We will now sit down with our engineer to go over the paperwork.

*Mrs. Lingo would like to make a motion for allowing Mr. Kocher to sign the consolidation form for the Duvall Property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lombardo. An aye vote carried the motion.*

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

A couple of years ago we did a housing plan with Joanna Brown. The Regional Planning Commission and Housing Opportunities Made Equal do a different city each year. In 2012 it's going to be North College Hill. We will be attending those meetings and see what comes of it.

