

**MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 20, 2011**

The council meeting was called to order by President Don Crank at 7:35 P.M. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

***Absent and Excused:*** Mrs. Moody

Mr. Wolf made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Lombardo to excuse the above named absent members. All in favor, *motion carried.*

**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 September 6, 2011 Council Meeting was made by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Wolf. An aye vote carried the motion.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

This October, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Silenced No More Central Southwest Ohio Chapter will officially launch the Silenced No More Witness Project

Awareness campaign through the S.T.A.C.I.E Foundation-and we are inviting the Mt. Healthy City Council members and the community to join us.

The mission of Silenced No More is to promote peace, healing, and responsibility in adult relationships in order to eliminate domestic murders in the United States, and to promote successful community-based violence reduction efforts in order to reach zero domestic murders. Domestic violence has no place in our communities.

Saturday, October 1, 2011 Silenced No More will officially kick off October with our Unveiling Ceremony. We will unveil the silent witnesses which are free standing life-sized red wooden figures. Each figure bears the name of a woman whose life was ended abruptly and violently at the hands of a husband,ex-husband,partner,or acquaintance. These silhouettes will then be placed in the community to help promote Domestic Violence Awareness. Please join us at Mt. Healthy Christian Church, located at 7717 Harrison Ave, Mt. Healthy, from 3pm-5pm. Our guest speaker will be Johanna Orozco, a survivor of an attempted homicide due to domestic violence.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

**Kim Cremeans;** would like to "Thank" everybody for their help with Celebrate Mt. Healthy. The event was a success.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Historical Society: Denise Lingo;** attended a historical society meeting. There is a newsletter they put out and it is on our website. On 9/21/11 they are hosting their 2<sup>nd</sup> Perkins Fundraiser. On the newsletter there is a coupon to eat at Perkins they will donate 20% per bill to the Historical Society. "Leave a Legacy" program has just started. Any resident can be videotaped telling their experience living in Mt. Healthy. Information about this program is on the website.

**Charter Committee: Ross Bittner;** There is going to be an issue on the ballot in November to elect a Charter Committee. If elected the committee to be given the power to write a charter government for the City of Mt. Healthy. This has to be done within one year. There will be 15 people to elect who will then sit and write the charter.

**Levy Committee: Don Crank;** Discussed with Mr. Kocher and Mr. Wolf regarding the operating levy coming up in November. This is an operating levy and it will not raise your taxes. It is so the city can continue operating in an efficient manner.

**MAYOR'S REPORTS: Joseph Roetting**

Met with Denny Hayes and Ross Bittner regarding the Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> event. 6:30 to 11:00 PM. At the City Park! Live music with "Stuck in Time" Food & Refreshments. All proceeds will benefit "HONOR FLIGHT" who's mission is to transport America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held today for the Reserve on South Martin. It was very well attended. This will be completed in approximately 15 months.

The Economic committee will have information for Mr. Lombardo regarding the surveys.

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

Department head meetings have begun preparing for the 2012 budget. It is going to be a tough year with all the cut backs and revenue losses. The goal is to have everything prepared for council by the end of the year.

The city received a letter to Mr. Osgood from the America Legion stating they will provide up to 20 parking spots on an as needed basis for the new Volunteers of America, Ohio veterans resource center. This is a great way for two organizations to work together in an effort to reduce the carbon footprint.

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

None.

**AUDITOR'S REPORT: *Jill Claire***

August month end reports are in the packet.

2009-2010 audit report is now complete. It is posted on our website and there are hard copies available. The report is favorable. The auditors came in to have a meeting to review the City as a whole with Mr. Kocher. They are will to make the same presentation to the finance committee and anyone else who would like to sit in on the meeting.

The plan is for the presentation from the auditors to be November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30.

Finance committee meeting will be November 15<sup>th</sup> after council meeting.

At the next council meeting there will be tax documents that will need to be passed in order to meet the County's deadline.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: *Judy Petersen***

Balanced with the bank and auditor for the month of August.

**ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance 11-1620** . This is a first reading of an ordinance changing the zoning for property at 7272 Hamilton from "D" residential multi-family to "E-1" retail business district.

**Ordinance 11-1621** . An ordinance assessing costs of the removal of high grass and weeds and declaring an emergency. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lombardo and seconded by Mrs. Cole. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Brandy and seconded by Mr. Lombardo. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

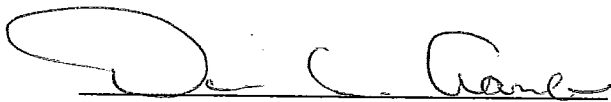
Mr. Wolf lets council know there will be legislation coming up from Bill Knight regarding property maintenance. Right now he has to give notice and wait so long and give the notice again and wait so long. Look at getting this changed to stop the residents from disregarding the notices and having the bill put on their taxes.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Cole and seconded by Mr. Bittner. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.



Donald Crank, President of Council



Melanie Evenson, Clerk of Council