MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING December 1, 2020

The council meeting was called to order by President of Council Ross Bittner at 7:00pm. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting was live streamed on ICRC.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mrs. Lingo, Mrs. Moody, Mr. Parsons, Ms. Petersen, Mr. Roetting, Mrs. Dosa, Mr. George

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor James Wolf, City Manager Bill Kocher, Finance Director Scott Bauer

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes with changes noted for the November 17, 2020 meeting was made by Mr. Roetting and seconded by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Hamilton County Sheriff, Jim Neil sent a letter to Mayor James Wolf:

On October 31, the Sheriff's office requested assistance from Mt. Healthy Police Department under the mutual aid agreement to assist with the funeral procession of Corporal Adam McMillan. Without hesitation Chief Vincent Demasi provided personnel to man the traffic posts along the procession route to allow all Sheriff's Deputies to attend the funeral service.

On behalf of the men and women of Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, I would like to commend Chief Demasi and the men and women of the Mt. Healthy Police Department for assisting us in our time of need. It gives me great pride to express how grateful and appreciative we are to serve alongside the mean and women of Mt. Healthy Police Department.

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

Trinity Lutheran Church will be a Pop Up COVID testing site on Friday, December 4th and Friday, December 11th from 1:00pm – 4:00pm

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Bill Kocher

Working with our Law Director to get language for legislation to address the drive-thru request from Square Mile Coffee. We have been able to secure funding for them. During this pandemic council can act and allow things to go through. Eventually the business would have to go in front of the BZA, but this will allow them to keep their business running during the pandemic.

The owner of Square Mile is getting a business plan together for exactly what they want to do.

Hamilton Avenue project: There is an upcoming Zoom call regarding the project. Will have more detail on this. North College Hill is doing the same project at the same time.

The waste bid is in packets. There were 4 companies that picked up bid packets. Only 1 company submitted a bid, which is Rumpke. Ray is going to put the information on our website.

RESIDENT FEEDBACK NEEDED

Mt. Healthy residents, our new waste collection contract with Rumpke will begin on March 1st, 2021, and we need your feedback! Rumpke's bid would change our current rate of \$16.03 per month to \$17.24 fixed for 5 years. But there are a few options to consider before we sign the contract, and we want to know what our residents would prefer.

- **Option #1:** Keep the current choices in place (65 gallon recycle cart, no 96-gallon household waste cart, recycling picked up every week). New rate starting March 1st, 2021: **\$17.24**
- **Option #2:** Each household receives a 96-gallon waste cart that would increase the monthly charge by \$1.00, making the total monthly charge **\$18.25.** Rumpke currently charges \$2.50 per month to rent a 96-gallon cart. These are the large brown Rumpke carts with the attached lids.
- **Option #3:** Recycling would be picked up **every other week** instead of weekly for a savings of \$0.76 per month.

You can send an email to rrissel@mthealthy.org or give us a call at 513-931-8840 if you would like to offer some feedback. Stay healthy, Mt. Healthy!

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 20-1926: A first reading of an ordinance to transfer balance of Bicentennial Fund to the General Fund and close the Bicentennial Fund.

Ordinance 20-1927: A first reading of an ordinance amending the 2020 appropriations and declaring an emergency. A motion to waive the two-reading rule was made by Mrs. Moody and seconded by Mr. George. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mrs. Lingo. A roll call vote carried the motion 7-0. Ordinance was adopted

Ordinance 20-1928: A first reading of an ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Mt. Healthy during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021

OLD BUSINESS:

Council meetings will be closed to public through the end of year. They will continue to be "Live Streamed"

NEW BUSINESS:

Sharing Tree's distribution day is Monday, December 7th.

Judy Petersen announced her resignation as City Council Member effective 12/31/2020. She has been with the city in several positions on and off since the 1970's.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mr. George. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

President of Council Ross Bittner

Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council