

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 6, 2018

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.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent and Excused: Mrs. Moody, Mrs. George

Mrs. Lingo made a motion and was seconded by Mrs. Dosa to excuse the absent members. All in favor *motion*

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes with errors made from the February 20, 2018 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Ms. Petersen. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Janet Michael is the wife of a Sergeant serving in one of our Hamilton County Police Departments. Please join us in showing him and his family support during this difficult time in their lives.

BENEFIT FOR JANET MICHAEL
FIGHTING AGAINST METASTATIC BREAST CANCER
APRIL 21, 2018
PRICE HILL RECREATION CENTER
959 HAWTHORN AVENUE
3:00PM-6:00PM
COST: PER PERSON \$15.00 COUPLE \$25.00

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Nathan Valentino; owner of Vince's, 7701 Hamilton. There will be a public hearing for his deck expansion approval before the March 20th council meeting. Mr. Valentino would like to request to "waive" the two reading rule. Planning Commission has approved the conditional use and recommends for Mr. Valentino to move forward with council's approval. The ordinance for council to vote on will be at the March 20th meeting.

Elizabeth Hartlaub, Mt. Healthy Branch Library Manager is here tonight to talk about the library funding levy that will be on the May 8th ballot. There are 40 branches of the Library plus the main library downtown. There are 7 old branches that have never been renovated. The funding comes from the State – this has been cut by 20% since 2000. The budget has not increased in almost 20 years. The levy will be a 1Mil – 10year operating expenses and capital improvements.

Mt. Healthy's branch is one of the oldest and busiest in the County.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

We met with Urban Fast Forward this afternoon. They had an early rough draft of their report. There will be another meeting on March 20th. We should have a report soon.

March 8th 6p-7:30p there will be an Opioid Prevention Training at the Community Center. You must register for this event. Join your neighbors for a free event to learn how to prevent and respond to opioid overdoses.

March 20th will be Chief's night in from 6p-7p. Mt. Healthy Police Chief Demasi will give a brief review of 2017 crime trends and open the floor to your questions. This is a great time to address your concerns and share your opinions with your Police Chief. Immediately following, Chief Demasi, City Manger Kocher, and Mayor Wolf will recognize the 2017 Officers of the Year- Police Officer Jordan Ribariu and Matthew Moore and the 2017 Volunteer of the Year, Ms. Debbie Robben. Please join us.

There was a group of Bhutanese refugees that were being threatened with eviction from Clovernook Apartments. Mayor Wolf got in touch with PIRHL and they had somebody down here from Cleveland the next day to get it figured out. The refugees now have a Liaison for them. There was a language barrier that needed to be worked through. Hopefully with this liaison this won't happen again, but PIRHL did step up and take care of the issue.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT: Bill Kocher

There will be a Public Hearing before the next council meeting regarding the Planning Commission’s approval for conditional use for Vince’s deck expansion with 2 conditions.

Outdoor Live music will be stopped at 10:00pm

The outdoor speakers will be pointed towards the bar.

There will be a resolution from the Planning Commission that will be an attachment for legislation that council will need to vote on.

Meeting with ODOT tomorrow regarding the Maintenance Agreement that was discussed a few council meetings back. He will keep you posted to what comes from the meeting.

Mr. Kocher will be out the rest of the week at the Annual OCMA conference.

Mr. Kocher has been asked to serve on the Board of Director’s for Jefferson Health Plan, which is our health benefits pool. This will be a good thing going forward.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 18-1847 A second reading of ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign contracts to purchase real property (Hamilton County Auditor Parcel Numbers 593-0003-238-00 & 593-0003-0253-00). A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call carried the motion 5-0.

Ordinance 18-1848 A second reading of ordinance assessing costs of demolition and removal of unsafe structures and declaring an emergency. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Ms. Petersen and seconded by Mr. Roetting. A roll call vote carried the motion 5-0

Ordinance 18-1849 A first reading of an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to establish terms and conditions for the safe presentation of the Church of Assumption Festival.

**CITY OF MT. HEALTHY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
March 6, 2018**

Open discussion 7:45pm – 8:45pm

Mutual aid being needed from Springfield Township, North College Hill, and Colerain Township

This has been our ongoing topic of discussion for the last several work sessions. We need to leave here tonight with a plan to move forward with.

We have looked at our salary numbers and know what we need in order to increase staff, but that is not for long term.

Met with Springfield Township. In order for them to take over our department they would need more staff and they don't really want to go down this road.

Money is just the bottom line of how we need to staff, maintain staff and cover overhead expenses.

After much discussion the plan is going to be to make a joint fire district with North College Hill. This is the best decision for the now and long term fix. This won't happen overnight. We may go to North College Hill and they say "no" to a joint district. But, right now this is the direction we are going to try to go in. We will need to look for an independent contractor to help guide up through the process.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Moody will not be at the March 20th council meeting

Mrs. Lingo will not be at the March 20th council meeting

Mr. Parsons will not be at the March 20th or April 3rd council meeting


“Congratulations” to Mrs. George’s daughter, Kelsey George. The girls bowling team qualified for the District tournament for the first time in school history. They finished 2nd in league standings. Kelsey.....1st team all conference honors.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lingo and seconded by Mrs. Dosa. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.



President of Council Ross Bittner



Melanie Branditz, Clerk of Council