

MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 20, 2022

The council meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President of Council Pro Tem, Denise Lingo, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mrs. Lingo, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Roetting, Mrs. Dosa, Mr. George, Mr. Young, Mrs. Rissel

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor James Wolf, City Manager Scott Bauer, Finance Director Melanie Branditz

MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes as written for the December 6, 2022 meeting was made by Mr. Parsons and seconded by Mr. Roetting. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:

None

PUBLIC INPUT:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Business Partnership/Association: PAUL YOUNG

Christmas in Mt. Healthy last Saturday, tree lighting at Kinney & Hamilton. Had to work but saw people walking around the city, which is a good thing. Mrs. Lingo stated that she was there and it was very nice.

Beautification Committee: DENISE LINGO

No report.

Finance: BOB PARSONS

Reviewed November statement in packet, questions and reclassifications have been taken care of. Looked at revenues; the big ones (income tax, real estate tax, and billing of waste removal) all very good. Question for Mr. Bauer: We didn't receive state 10% rollback on homestead exemptions? Haven't come in. Do we expect them by end of year? \$100,000.00.

Parks: DENISE LINGO

No report.

Safety & Streets: JOE ROETTING

Hamilton Avenue completed; permanent striping installed spring 2023. Slight differential at overpass; the rise is well less than an inch, will tell Justin. Mr. Young saw a couple spots where rain was puddling. Also puddling at Hamilton and Stevens. Justin aware. Compton Road work pretty much shut down for winter; still work to be done, grinding of blacktop overlay spring 2023.

Work on Forest Avenue project approved; timeframe between spring 2023 and end of 2024; will get that narrowed down. We receive a 10 cents/gallon from state revenues and discussed putting that toward our alleys and parking lots; more in 2023, waiting for some things to solidify. Brief reiteration of CALEA report at last council meeting; no more news until July 2023. Researching an ordinance concerning event centers in light of some of the things going on; will inform council as this progresses. Looked at City of Reading; theirs is a dance hall ordinance.

School: CORDEL GEORGE

No report.

Library: KISHA DOSA

Read note sent by Lacey Wehrle, Branch Manager, thanking Mt. Healthy City Council for their support of the library.

Urban Tree: DENISE LINGO

No report.

WeThrive:

No meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf

- Work session at January 3 Council Meeting to discuss committees; think about what you would like to work on for the next year. Don't have to be the same committees as now.
- Planning Commission had meeting last night for proposed type A daycare next to Fibonacci; will be in front of council at January 17 meeting. Issues with drop-off, Compton Road traffic, and 24-hour daycare next to a brewery. Conditions by which Planning Commission will approve daycare are: (1) Drop-off and pick-up in existing driveway; (2) parking requirements observed; and (3) Hours will be 5:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (not 24-hours). Petitioner will be at January 17 council meeting.
- Resolution 22-1197 - This is what was referenced at last meeting, more complicated than anyone realized, including our Law Director who has never done one of these; should not be a surprise. One of the reasons it took so long is Ohio Revised Code is different for CICs, CURCs, and CDCs. Scott Sollmann reached out to College Hill Law Director for guidance and spoke with CDF (Cincinnati Development Fund); is a complicated process. Is there a transfer of funds to CURC? Will city itself put deposit down? Scott Sollman said easiest way is to go through our CIC. More discussion on this later, but wanted to explain why it was so last minute getting it to council.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Scott Bauer

- Chief Lawson out of town next meeting, Assistant Chief Ben Degenhardt will be here.
- Annual Christmas lunch tomorrow.
- No offers on 7825 Harrison. One woman who expressed interest very excited before we started process but didn't bid/purchase. Still ours to maintain.
- Up to two candidates for Police Chief; deadline January 4. We should wait until last week, that is when most apply. We should expect more candidates than we have now; one is good, the other is very good. Third party assessment February 18, first day on job hoping for mid-March (15th). Interim chief will be whoever day sergeant is; either Greg Nolte or Alan Fath.
- Potential snow emergency on Friday. Is there a typical way we push that out? Will do Facebook and website. Believes if we do declare it is sent out to all news stations.

- Update on Mayor's Court: We now have \$150,000 worth of tickets in collections. Already have some that were collected; Mayor's Court Clerk is on it, worked her way through the entire list. Making good progress.
- Process in place for new businesses to see if they are legitimate. At very least, they are supposed to get a zoning certificate. We could cite landlord if tenant cannot provide zoning certificate.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Melanie Branditz

- November month-end reports in packets, closing out the year.
- Stopped bill pay in December; now clean-up and rolling into next year.

ORDINANCES:

Second Reading of Ordinances:

Ordinance 22-2000: A second reading of an Ordinance to Set Compensation for Elected Officials of the City of Mt. Healthy. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Roetting, seconded by Mr. Young. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2000 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2001: A second reading of an Ordinance to Set Compensation for Certain Full Time Employees of the City of Mt. Healthy. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Roetting. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2001 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2002: A second reading of an Ordinance to Set Compensation for Certain Appointed Officials and Part Time Employees of the City of Mt. Healthy. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mrs. Dosa. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2002 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2003: A second reading of an Ordinance to Set Compensation for Certain Full Time Fire Department Employees of the City of Mt. Healthy. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. George. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2003 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2004: An Ordinance to Make Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the City of Mt. Healthy During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mrs. Dosa, seconded by Mr. Parsons. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2004 was adopted.

First Reading of Ordinances:

Ordinance 22-2005: An Ordinance to Transfer Funds from the General Fund to Other Funds Covering Budgeted Expenditures and Declaring an Emergency. Motion to suspend two reading rule made by Mr. Roetting, seconded by Mr. Parsons. With roll call vote of 7-0, two reading rule suspended. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Roetting, seconded by Mrs. Dosa. With roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2005 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2006: An Ordinance Amending the 2022 Appropriations and Declaring an Emergency. Motion to suspend two reading rule made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. George. By roll call vote of 7-0, two reading rule suspended. Motion to adopt ordinance

made by Mr. George, seconded by Mr. Young. By roll call vote of ¹-0, Ordinance 22-2006 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2007: An Ordinance Assessing Costs of the Removal of Litter, Rubbish and Garbage and Declaring an Emergency. Motion to suspend two reading rule made by Mr. Roetting, seconded by Mr. George. By roll call vote of 7-0, two reading rule suspended. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. George, seconded by Mrs. Dosa. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2007 was adopted.

Ordinance 22-2008: An Ordinance Assessing Costs of the Removal of High Grass and Weeds and Declaring an Emergency. Motion to suspend two reading rule made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Young. By roll call vote of 7-0, two reading rule suspended. Motion to adopt ordinance made by Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. George. By roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance 22-2008 was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS:

First Reading of Resolutions:

Resolution 22-1197: A Resolution for City to Appropriate Monies to Mt. Healthy Community Improvement Corporation to Promote Economic Development. Mayor began discussion by sharing the genesis of this resolution, including a walk-through of Mt. Healthy properties with Seth Walsh and Kate Green from College Hill CURC; at end of walk-through, it was determined that the property now in discussion should be the cornerstone of this effort. A group of Mt. Healthy residents have formed a Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation. Speaking on behalf of the Mt. Healthy CURC was Executive Director Tom Gulyas, owner of Square Mile Coffee, Board Member Dan Glynn, and Board Member Mary Ann Pugh. Mr. Gulyas informed council that there were 7-8 units the group would be working with at the property and they have allotted \$35,000 per unit to repair; goal is to provide housing that is warm, safe and dry. Mr. Roetting requested a white paper from the group on this; they also offered to send a pro forma. Materials will go to City Manager, who will email them to council. First reading only. Special meeting on Tuesday, December 27 at 6:00 p.m. for second reading.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. George and seconded by Mr. Young. An aye vote carried the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



President of Council, Ross Bittner



Clerk of Council, Kathleen Schmidt