

# MT. HEALTHY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

## October 17, 2023

The council meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President of Council, Ross Bittner. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

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

### **Absent and Excused: Mr. George**

A motion to excuse the absent member was made by Mr. Roetting with second by Mr. Young. An aye vote carried the motion. Absent member was excused.

### **ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

### **MINUTES:**

A motion to adopt the minutes as printed for the October 3, 2023 meeting was made by Mrs. Dosa with second by Mrs. Rissel. An aye vote carried the motion. Minutes were adopted.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**GUESTS, SPECIAL EVENTS:** None

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

#### ***Dawn Walter***

- Brief follow-up on removal of trees in right-of-way that were not authorized by owner of residence. Two days remaining on 30 day window before new tree ordinance goes into effect. Mayor responded that they have spoken with Law Director, who advised against a letter. Resident needs to reach out to City Manager for approval to remove tree(s) after 30 day window closes, and both the Mayor and the City Manager have agreed to give her permission to remove the trees; will provide something in writing, as requested by resident.
- Would like to put speed humps on Elizabeth, will pay for them. City Manager is working them into the budget for next year (one set). Mrs. Walter repeated that she will pay for them, they aren't that expensive. City Manager open to the idea. Mr. Parsons added that he has been asking for these since spring, there is money in the budget, City Manager should go ahead and buy them. Mr. Roetting recommended a council work session between Safety Committee and Street Committee to discuss liability issues, etc. Will be scheduled at a later date.

#### ***Aaron Horsley***

- Update on Callery Pear tree removal in Wetland Park (provided handout).
- Meeting this Thursday at 5:00 p.m. to plan rest of project.
- Trail markers, signs completed.
- Trail naming signage will be ordered soon.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Beautification: Denise Lingo** No report

**Business Partnership/Alliance: Paul Young**

Attended the October 9<sup>th</sup> Mt. Healthy Business Association meeting

- Christmas Walk (December 16<sup>th</sup>) – Still talking about where to put skating rink. Luminaries will be given to each business.
- Dues notices going out soon.
- Election of officers coming up.

**Economic Development: Paul Young** No report, will address in Executive Session.

**Finance: Bob Parsons** No report. Calling meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 21<sup>st</sup> (prior to council meeting).

**Library: Kisha Dosa**

- Customer Appreciation Day (Oct. 16) huge success.
- Cincinnati Public Library has levy on November 7<sup>th</sup> ballot (Issue 20). More information on library's website.
- Library will have table at Trunk or Treat this Friday.

*Kisha DOSA*

**Parks: Denise Lingo**

- Movie Night and Trunk or Treat this Friday. If it rains, movie will be cancelled, Trunk or Treat will be held in Community Room. Police Department will pass out treats, Little Dutch Bakery is providing cookies.

**Safety: Joe Roetting** No report. Will be scheduling meeting later on.

**Schools: Cordel George** Absent

**Streets: Peggy Rissel** No report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT: James Wolf** Will hold report for Executive Session.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Scott Bauer**

- Police contracts on desks. Fire negotiations still underway.
- Levy – Door mailers on desks, will order 2,500 of them. How many yard signs? Mr.Parsons recommended 10; Mr. Roetting wants more than that. City Manager will figure out how many to order.
- Block grant – Hamilton County webinar tomorrow, will get some answers.
- Will put budget together and get to council.
- Park hours – Ordered "Park Closes at Dusk" stickers to put over existing signs.
- Forest-Madison and Harrison road projects will be bid this year and completed next year. Similar timelines.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR: Melanie Branditz** No report.

## ORDINANCES

**Ordinance 23-2024:** An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement Between the City of Mt. Healthy and the Fraternal Order of Police Ohio Labor Council, Inc. Representing a Bargaining Unit of City Employees in the Classification of Full Time Police Officer – First reading only.

**Ordinance 23-2025:** An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement Between the City of Mt. Healthy and the Fraternal Order of Police Ohio Labor Council, Inc. Representing a Bargaining Unit of City Employees in the Classification of Sergeant - First reading only.

## RESOLUTIONS

**Resolution 23-1213:** A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levis and Certifying Them to the County Auditor. A motion to suspend the two reading rule was made by Mr. Parsons, second by Mr. Roetting. An aye vote carried the motion. A motion to adopt Resolution 23-1213 was made by Mr. Roetting, second by Mr. Parsons. A roll call vote carried the motion 6-0. ***Resolution 23-1213 adopted.***

**Resolution 23-1214:** A Resolution Adopting the Hamilton County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan - First reading only.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

## NEW BUSINESS:

*Mr. Parsons made a motion to move into executive session in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss real estate. Mr. Roetting seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried the motion 6-0*

- *Council moved to executive session at 7:42pm*
- *Council returned to regular session at 8:45pm*

## ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lingo with second by Mr. Parsons. An aye vote carried the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

  
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President of Council, Ross Bittner

  
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Clerk of Council, Kathleen Schmidt