

BROOKVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 5, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Seagraves at 7:30 p.m. on June 5, 2012 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Apgar, Cantrell, Duncan, Garber, Howard and Letner; Fire Chief Fletcher, Police Chief Jerome, Manager Wright, Law Director Stephan and Assistant Manager/Finance Director/Clerk Keaton were present.

Motion by Duncan, second by Howard to accept the Agenda with an addition. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Cantrell, second by Howard to accept the May 15, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Apgar, second by Cantrell to accept the May 29, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Seagraves thanked the Administrative Staff and Council for their efforts in finding a new Police Chief. Mayor Seagraves stated he was proud of both candidates and they both did a good job. Mayor Seagraves said he was impressed with the way Police Chief Jerome presented himself and is glad to have him on board.

Mayor Seagraves administered the Oath of Office to Director of Police Doug Jerome.

Police Chief Jerome introduced his family members in attendance and said they were very supportive during the selection process. Police Chief Jerome said he is excited about the new challenge.

Ashley Webb, Kettering City Council Member, introduced himself as a candidate for Montgomery County Commissioner and presented some background information on himself. Mr. Webb stated he is visiting with city leaders and private organizations to familiarize himself with issues they are facing and to get ideas on how Montgomery County tax dollars should be spent. Mr. Webb advised his extensive business and budgeting background with both the military and the private business sector is an asset that is missing from the County Commission. Mr. Webb advised economic development and safety services are significant areas that he feels need to be examined by the County Commission. Mr. Webb invited Council to contact him if they have any issues they would like him to look at from a County perspective.

Member Garber stated that the cost effectiveness of regional dispatching is a current area of concern for our Council members. Member Garber stated we are contracted with the Regional Dispatch Center for another year but we are looking at all of our options.

Mr. Webb responded that as a Kettering Council Member, he is a bit disappointed that the City of Kettering is not involved in the Regional Dispatch Center. His background in the military and the National Incident Management System make him aware that centralized command control is a good thing, but he also realizes the service levels in a Regional Dispatch Center must be there and must be presented in a cost effective manner. It is his hope that the County can continue to provide dispatching services to Brookville at a reasonable cost. Mr. Webb stated he hopes that if he is elected we will involve him and other Commissioners in further discussions involving using the services of the Regional Dispatch Center.

Mayor Seagraves commented there is no question that we are willing to work with and cooperate with the County on every level, however, the service level for our dispatching must be strong and the pricing must be fair. Mayor Seagraves commented we are at the northwest tip of Montgomery County, and are keenly aware of the amount of money spent south of town.

Mr. Webb asked if the ED/GE grant funds received by Butler Township for distributional logistics will affect Brookville and if we will have any input into the study?

Manager Wright responded that was a multi-jurisdictional grant application that Brookville was not asked to be a part of. Manager Wright stated the information from the study will be made public and will hopefully benefit us down the road.

Manager Wright requested Council approval to move forward with preliminary plans to completely reconstruct Terrace Park Boulevard and the Terrace Park plat. Manager Wright reported this plat has a lot of problems with water main breaks and sanitary sewers due to the way it was constructed many years ago. We are also getting complaints from residents about the condition of curbs and sidewalks, and the boulevard with no inside curb. Manager Wright advised he would like to start engineering and get some cost estimates so that we can apply for OPWC grants funds. Manager Wright reported staff has discussed the possibility of eliminating the boulevard, making it a wider street and adding more green space between the curb and the sidewalks to make it safer. Manager Wright advised we will get input from residents by holding a public meeting. Manager Wright stated he is asking for Council approval tonight to begin work with our engineers in order to meet the OPWC application deadlines.

Member Apgar asked what the cost is for the engineering study?

Manager Wright replied he only plans to use the engineers for Phase 1, which would be Terrace Park Boulevard itself, so the engineering costs should be minimal. The first year may be only one aspect, such as replacing the water and sewer lines, the next year replacing the curbs, sidewalks and streets, and so on.

Member Duncan asked if there is any other way to route traffic to ease the construction burden for Terrace Park residents?

Manager Wright stated Terrace Park is wide enough that it should not be an issue to maintain traffic flow.

Member Letner inquired about extending June Place to make it a permanent access to the Terrace Park plat?

Member Cantrell commented the residents of the plat may not want another entrance and exit to the plat.

Member Howard agreed.

Member Garber asked if there is much ingress from storm sewers into the sanitary sewers from this plat?

Manager Wright stated we will probably camera all the lines to look for any infiltration as part of the project.

Motion by Garber, second by Howard to direct staff to obtain preliminary figures for Phase 1 of the Terrace Park Rehabilitation Project. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright reminded everyone of the Block Party sponsored by the Brookville Chamber of Commerce this Saturday, June 9, on Market Street.

Manager Wright requested Council approval to submit a Community Development Block Grant to pay for handicap access doors at the Municipal Building and the Christina Leiber Senior Citizen Center.

Motion by Cantrell, second by Apgar to authorize Manager Wright to submit a Community Development Block Grant for handicap access doors at the Municipal Building and the Christina Leiber Senior Citizen Center. All yeas, motion carried.

Fire Chief Fletcher presented the Brookville Fire Department Operations Report for the month of May which shows an increase in calls since school has let out and the warm weather has increased.

Fire Chief Fletcher reported the first phase of fire hydrant testing is complete with about 25% of the hydrants tested in need of repair. Many of these are from the Terrace Park plat or other areas of town that have infrastructure from that same era.

Fire Chief Fletcher advised the Fire Department has begun a new aspect of their training program which is an online component that allows our personnel to complete their state required continuing education.

Fire Chief Fletcher advised the Fire Department will be training on the morning of June 16 at Collective Brands during a plant shut down. The Fire Department will also be holding an Open House, primarily for cadets, on the afternoon of June 16.

Police Chief Jerome presented Brookville Police Department statistical data from January 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012, which shows reportable incidents have increased 15% over last year. Police Chief Jerome reported the Brookville Police Department made 203 traffic stops during the month of May, which he attributed to the State's "Click It or Ticket Campaign". Police Chief Jerome advised we received a new radar unit from the State for participating in last year's campaign.

Police Chief Jerome reported he will be meeting with the Brookville Chamber of Commerce tomorrow for Block Party planning. Police Chief Jerome stated they will be adding additional signage this year to try to keep the alcohol contained to a certain area to avoid issuing citations.

Police Chief Jerome presented the Brookville Police Department Incident Log and Arrest Log from May 15 through June 4, 2012 which shows 39 new cases for investigation with 12 cases cleared by arrest.

Police Chief Jerome advised training hours increased from 450 in 2010 to 1,450 in 2011, which is attributed to free training provided by both the State of Ohio and OPOTA.

Law Director Stephan reported Planning Commission has reviewed proposed Ordinance No. 2012-04 on EMC Signs and based on recommendations from Council and comments from the Public Hearing, they recommended two amendments to the proposed Ordinance. Planning Commission recommended the shut off time for EMC's in residential districts be changed from 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Planning Commission also recommended additional text in both sections indicating a sign containing an EMC shall comply with all other applicable requirements of Chapter 1161 of the Code of Ordinances. Law Director Stephan stated Planning Commission unanimously recommended Council adopt proposed Ordinance No. 2012-04 with these changes.

Motion by Garber, second by Cantrell, to read proposed Ordinance No. 2012-04. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Garber to accept the second reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2012-04. All yeas, motion carried.

Assistant Manager/Finance Director Keaton presented the May 31, 2012 Fund Balance for Council review and approval.

Motion by Duncan, second by Apgar to approve the May 31, 2012 Fund Balance as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Member Letner inquired if the proceeds from the sale of the backhoe on GovDeals would go to the General Fund or toward the lease?

Assistant Manager/Finance Director Keaton advised the proceeds will be divided between the various funds that were used to purchase the backhoe in 2001.

Mayor Seagraves congratulated the graduates of Brookville High School Class of 2012. Mayor Seagraves also reminded everyone to be cautious on the roads as school is out for the summer.

Motion by Duncan, second by Apgar to read proposed Ordinance Nos. 2012-05, 2012-06 and 2012-07. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Apgar, second by Garber to accept the third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2012-05 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PART 9, TITLE 3, SECTION 931.20(a), FIXING THE RATES AND CHARGES TO ALL WATER CUSTOMERS IN THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO"; Ordinance No. 2012-06 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PART 9, TITLE 3, SECTIONS 935.13(f) DEFINITIONS AND 935.14(c)(1) FIXING THE RATES AND CHARGES TO ALL SEWER CUSTOMERS IN THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO."; and Ordinance No. 2012-07 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PART 9, TITLE 5, SECTION 957.06(a) AND 957.06(d) FIXING THE RATES AND CHARGES TO ALL REFUSE CUSTOMERS SERVICED BY THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO." All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Cantrell, second by Apgar to read proposed Resolution No. 2012-08. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Howard to accept the first reading, dispense with the second and third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2012-08 entitled "A RESOLUTION NAMING DOUGLAS JEROME DIRECTOR OF POLICE AND ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION FOR THIS POSITION, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY." All yeas, motion carried.

Under Old Business, Member Duncan asked Manager Wright to comment on the North Transfer Station closing and the hardship it puts on our community to Mr. Webb.

Manager Wright stated he voiced our opinion to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and they are aware that we are opposed to the North Transfer Station closing.

Motion by Duncan, second by Garber to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

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Sonja M. Keaton, Clerk

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Dave Seagraves, Mayor