

City of Montgomery
City Council Business Session Minutes
April 4, 2018

Present

Brian Riblet, City Manager
Terry Donnellon, Law Director
John Crowell, Police Chief
Gary Heitkamp, Assistant Public Works Director
Tracy Roblero, Community Development Director
Katie Smiddy, Finance Director
Matthew Vanderhorst, Community and Information Services Director
Paul Wright, Fire Chief
Faith Lynch, Community Engagement Coordinator
Connie Gaylor, Clerk of Council

City Council Members Present

Chris Dobrozsi, Mayor
Lynda Roesch, Vice Mayor
Lee Ann Bissmeyer
Mike Cappel
Gerri Harbison
Craig Margolis
Ken Suer

City Council convened in Council Chambers at 7:04 p.m. for the Business Session with Mayor Dobrozsi presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Dobrozsi asked for a motion to dispense with the roll call since everyone was in attendance.

Mr. Margolis moved to dispense with the roll call. Mr. Cappel seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Dobrozsi explained that in 2014 at the approval of the Government Affairs Committee the Volunteer Walk of Fame recognition program began. Volunteers who have achieved a total of 250 volunteer hours as recorded by the City's Volunteer database will be recognized and honored with:

- a Certificate of Appreciation
- a brick with the volunteer's names engraved on it placed in the City's Volunteer Walk of Fame in Montgomery Park
- A jacket with the City of Montgomery logo and the words "Extraordinary Volunteer" embroidered upon it.

Mayor Dobrozsi added that since the inception of this program 54 volunteers have been recognized, 58 with those being recognized this evening.

The following volunteers were inducted into the Volunteer Walk of Fame:

Gary Blomberg was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his contributions to the City as a former Mayor, City Council Member and member of the Board of Tax Review and to be inducted into the Volunteer Walk of Fame. Council Member Suer read his Certificate and presented his gift to him.

Greg Leader was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his contributions to the Arts Commission and to be inducted into the Volunteer Walk of Fame. Council Member Harbison read his Certificate and presented his gift to him.

Rosie Ritchie was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for her contributions to the Arts Commission and to be inducted into the Volunteer Walk of Fame. Council Member Harbison read her Certificate and presented her gift to her.

Carol Suer was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for her contributions to the Environmental Advisory Commission and to be inducted into the Volunteer Walk of Fame. Council Member Cappel read her Certificate and presented her gift to her.

City Council congratulated all the inductees and thanked them for their commitment and dedication to the City of Montgomery.

GUESTS AND RESIDENTS

LEGISLATION FOR CONSIDERATION TONIGHT

Pending Legislation

An Ordinance Dedicating Real Property on Montgomery Road at the Safety Center for Public Use

Mr. Margolis moved for passage of the Ordinance. Mr. Cappel seconded.

Mr. Margolis explained that information has been previously supplied on this Ordinance that, if approved, will authorize the dedication of real property on Montgomery Road at the Safety Center for public use. This Ordinance will dedicate land acquired by the City from Twin Lakes to a public use. This lot of approximately .40 acres lies immediately south of the Safety Center and is intended long-term to be incorporated into the Safety Center for parking or expansion of the building.

There were no updates.

The roll was called and showed the following vote:

AYE: Cappel, Bissmeyer, Harbison, Dobrozsi, Roesch, Suer, Margolis	(7)
NAY:	(0)
ABSENT:	(0)

New Legislation

A Resolution Accepting a Bid and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract with Strawser Construction, Inc. for the 2017 Onyx Mastic Surface (Black Onyx) Project through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract #101L-19

Mr. Cappel moved to read the Resolution by title only. Mr. Margolis seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

Mr. Cappel read the Resolution by title only and moved for passage. Mrs. Harbison seconded.

Mr. Cappel explained that information has been previously supplied on this Resolution that, if approved, will authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Strawser Construction for the 2018 Onyx Mastic Surface (Black Onyx) project. The project includes work to micro-surface 3.85 centerline miles on the streets indicated on the attached memorandum. Funding for this project is programmed in the 2018 Capital Improvement Program 410-261-5470 account. It is requested that the 2018 Onyx Mastic Surface (Black Onyx) Project be approved for funding in the amount of \$96,829.88.

The roll was called and showed the following vote:

AYE: Bissmeyer, Harbison, Dobrozsi, Roesch, Suer, Margolis, Cappel	(7)
NAY:	(0)
ABSENT:	(0)

An Ordinance Establishing the Schedule of Municipal Compensation for Employees

Mr. Suer moved to read the Ordinance by title only. Mr. Margolis seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

Mr. Suer read the titled and moved for passage of the first reading. Mr. Cappel seconded.

Mr. Suer explained that, if approved, this Ordinance will establish a new Schedule of Municipal Compensation for non-bargaining unit employees. It is necessary to establish a new Schedule of Municipal Compensation as the current Schedule does not specify any wage rate adjustments for July 2018 or beyond.

The roll was called and showed the following vote:

AYE: Harbison, Dobrozsi, Roesch, Suer, Margolis, Cappel, Bissmeyer	(7)
NAY:	(0)
ABSENT:	(0)

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Mr. Riblet gave the following report:

- City Council Work Session is scheduled for April 18 at 7:00 p.m.
- The Government Affairs Committee will meet on Monday, April 9 at 3:30 p.m. The Parks and Recreation, and Public Works Committees have all cancelled their meetings for the month of April.
- As a reminder there will be a public hearing prior to the April 18 Work Session to consider the recommendation from the Planning Commission to rezone the property to 'C' Single and Two Family Residential with a PD Overlay.

Mr. Margolis moved to begin the City Council Work Session meeting immediately following the conclusion of the Public Hearing scheduled at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Cappel seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

- Monday evening, Council member Harbison, Chief Crowell and himself attended a Coyote Informational meeting hosted by the City of Wyoming. Presentations were made by Hamilton County Great Park District and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. This meeting provided information that staff can use to address the concerns of residents throughout the community.
- Tuesday Evening, Mayor Dobrozsi, Council Member Harbison and himself participated in a Sycamore Schools Master Facility Planning process. In addition to assessing the facilities, educational visioning will also be completed with a goal of presenting options for consideration to the Sycamore School Board in late 2018.
- Our neighbors in Blue Ash report there was a pre-construction meeting today with ODOT and Complete General Construction (Columbus) regarding the ODOT I-71 at SR126 Project PID#103505. Construction is set to begin in June and is anticipated to be completed by September. An important traffic detail: The S/B I-71 off ramp at SR126 will be closed during construction with traffic begin detoured west on Pfeiffer to Kenwood Road. Staff will provide additional details and help communicate the information as it becomes available.
- The Fire Department took delivery of the new ambulance from Braun Industries on Monday, April 2. The ambulance will have additional equipment installations added over the next few weeks and then staff will be trained in the operations of the vehicle prior to placing the unit in service. Thanks goes out the Mr. Harold Thomas of Indian Hill for his donation in covering the cost of the vehicle.

- The Fire Levy reports that they will begin placing yard signs in the community during the next week as well as starting the door-to-door campaign.
- Twin Lakes invited Chief Wright and Assistant Chief Shapiro to meet with the residents to discuss the facts regarding the upcoming fire levy. The meetings are scheduled for this Thursday, April 5 and Friday, April 6.
- As a reminder the Neighborhood Leaders Forum is scheduled for next Thursday, April 12 at Terwilliger Lodge beginning at 7:00 p.m. to provide a presentation on the Fire Levy.
- The second round of interviews with nine candidates (six external and three internal) candidates are taking place on April 3, 4, 9 and 10. Allowing time for background and reference checks, pre-employment drug screen results and time for the selected candidate to give notice to current employer, we anticipate a start date in mid-May.
- Our newest police officer, Jeff Barger started employment on April 3. Staff is working to identify a future City Council session for a swearing in ceremony.
- The Photo Contest Exhibition will be held on Saturday, April 14 at the Universalist Church from 2-4 pm, with the awards and reception following on Sunday from 1-3 p.m.
- May 24 is the Public Works Recognition Breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. Staff also would like to schedule the Dedication of the Public Works Addition. After review City Council advised Staff to identify future dates to consider.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Cappel moved to approve the March 21, 2018 Work Session as written. Mr. Margolis seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

MAYOR'S COURT

Mayor Dobrozsi reported that the total Mayor's Court collections for the month of March 2018 were \$16,385.

Mr. Cappel moved to accept the Mayor's Court collections for the month of March 2018. Mr. Cappel seconded. City Council unanimously accepted the collections.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Margolis reported that he and City Manager Brian Riblet attended the Hamilton County Municipal League membership meeting held at the Harrison, Ohio Fire Department. He reported that Ryan McEwan, Assistant Director Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency presented on the HCAAlert program. This program will send alerts on severe weather to phone, text or email. A speaker from SORTA also spoke on their challenges of service delivery and budget and specifically a .9% sales tax addition in support of mass transit.

Mr. Margolis reported that at the Planning, Zoning and Landmarks Committee meeting, staff reported on the Annual Housing Survey and Customer Service Satisfaction Survey.

Mayor Dobrozsi asked if there was any further business to discuss in Public Session. There being none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Margolis moved to adjourn. Vice Mayor Roesch seconded. City Council unanimously agreed.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Connie Gaylor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Connie Gaylor, Clerk of Council