

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – March 17, 2015

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor G. Scott Black called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Council Member - Gary Beamer
Mayor - G. Scott Black
Council Member - Kenneth Dick
Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar
Council Member - Steve Keegan
City Manager - Paul Fiser (Not voting)
Finance Director - Craig Davis (Not voting)
Solicitor - Barry Bova (Not voting)
Administrative Secretary - Sharon Smith (Not voting)
Clerk of Council - Janet Dickman (Not voting)

Visitors signing in can be referenced in the Record Book Supplement.

The meeting opened with The Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 3, 2015 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2015 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member - Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you card for an expression of sympathy.

Visitors:

Braeden Riehl attended this meeting to gain his citizenship and community badge.

Mr. Keegan thanked Braeden for attending; he noted that he had been a Cub Scout too and being a part of that organization is a good thing.

Mr. Beamer offered his thanks.

Mr. Dick hopes Braeden has a good time at this meeting and that he learns something. Brayden noted that he is a member of Troop 320.

Mayor Black welcomed Braeden to this meeting and he noted that other troop members have been here in the past to earn the same badge. Mayor Black also offered his thanks.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

2015-11 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE 2015 CLYDE STREET PAVING PROGRAM AND CLYDE PARK PAVING PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF CLYDE; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT THEREFOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. **2015-11** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser explained that this authorization is for two separate contracts, one for the streets and one for the Community Park lower parking lot. The streets program will be bid on April 24; the Clyde parking lot will be determined once we get a little more prep work done. The estimate for both projects came in well under budget so that will allow some wiggle room with the state and their mandated paving on SR 101. The request for an emergency clause is to get out in front of everybody else for the paving work to get good bids.

Mr. Beamer questioned if the City crew will do all the ground work for the lower lot, and how many square feet will be paved (yes, City crews will do the work and the square footage is not available at this meeting, but it will be available when the bids are placed).

Mrs. Farrar saw the lot last night and realized how large that space is (it is very large and was added on in the cul de sac last year). Mrs. Farrar questioned if this includes the final work on East Forest or was that part of last year's expense (part of last years expense, but maybe two weeks tops of touch up work).

Mr. Dick questioned approximately how many miles of streets will be paved (this year's program includes Helen Street, Norris Drive, Gregory Court, East Thompson, East Drew and Zimmerman; about 7,000 feet).

Mayor Black announced that this ordinance contained an emergency clause.

Motion: to suspend the rule preventing passage of an ordinance at a meeting at which it is first introduced, which is section 4-5 of the Charter, **Action:** Suspend rule,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member - Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2015-11** was read by title only for its second reading.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2015-11**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member - Kenneth Dick, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar.

Mayor Black announced that Ordinance No. **2015-11** has been adopted.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

There was none.

RESOLUTIONS

2015-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO SANDUSKY COUNTY COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION, INC. FOR A 2015 COMMUNITY GRANT FOR FUNDING TO PURCHASE MATERIALS FOR CANOPY NO. 3 FOR THE NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL IN THE CITY OF CLYDE.

Resolution No. **2015-12** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser stated that the Sandusky County Communities Foundation has been good to Clyde when it comes to bike trail work, such as, they provided a grant for street lighting along the brick area. This year is again one of our years to place a request; technically, they do not give back to back awards. Last year the Sandusky County Parks grant was used for a very nice drinking fountain and was constructed in such a way that another small canopy could be constructed. The steel posts for the canopy, which are made locally, are quite expensive. It will be a two post canopy and the posts will be about \$5,000, with the roofing using the balance of the \$10,000 grant. This will be another attraction along the bike trail.

Mrs. Farrar noted it won't hurt to put our name in for this grant.

Mayor Black added that Clyde has had great success in getting grant money from them. We have shown that we are good stewards and put the money to good use. Hopefully they will not hold it against us for two years in a row for a heavier hit, because this is a worthy cause.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2015-12**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member - Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Council Member - Kenneth Dick.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2015-12** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Fiser gave the following report:

As mentioned earlier, our 2015 Street Resurfacing Program will be bid on April 24 at 10 AM. The roads involved with this year's program are Helen Street, Norris Drive, Gregory Court, East Drew Lane, East Thomson Drive, and Zimmerman. The cost estimate for the program is \$130,000.00. Once we have a paving company under contract, we will have a "Paving Schedule Update" section on our city website. Please check in frequently beginning in May if you reside on one of the project streets.

Tomorrow we have a large conference call scheduled with the Clyde Solar Field developers. It hopefully will be the final discussion on contract and commercial terms before construction starts. We will potentially bring one last piece of legislation before council at our next meeting but that will be tied directly to some existing contract performance deadlines.

The Water Treatment Plant had a very thorough state inspection of their lab today. Superintendant Farrar reported that the entire process was very long but went very well. All of the needed lab certificates will be renewed. Mr. Farrar also stated that the recent warm weather has been producing a very slow thaw, which has been very beneficial to his operations. They have been pumping water out at the Beaver Creek Reservoir for about a week now. Actual totals will be available tomorrow but we should have picked up about 100 million gallons this past week.

The Wynbissinger Family, owners' of the Ace Hardware in Bellevue officially announced this past weekend that they are building a store in Clyde. The store will be located on the North end of Anderson Avenue between McDonald's and Drug Mart. The store will be approximately 9,000 square feet in size and have the same basic products as their Bellevue location. Since the departure of Clyde's two home improvement stores, I have frequently been a customer at the Bellevue Ace Hardware. I can personally attest to outstanding customer service. They know their products and they will ensure you leave satisfied. We definitely have the need and I am certain that Clyde will support this great addition to our community. I hope this is the first in numerous new commercial announcements this year.

The Flow Equalization (EQ) Basin design is in its final stages. The construction plans should be submitted to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) by the end of this week. Following approval by the OEPA, we will receive our Permit-to-Install (PTI) certificate and we can proceed with the loan process thru the OEPA's Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA). The tentative bid date is set for July 31.

Miscellaneous Updates:

- Obstacles for the Clyde Lion's Club Skate Plaza are tentatively set to arrive March 30.
- Work is back on schedule at the East Sub-station. They were battling some frozen underground conduits but the recent thaw has solved that problem. The expected "return to service" is still anticipated by the end of the month.
- Superintendent Lachner and staff have approved the CL&P Digger Truck for paint. It will

hopefully arrive within 30 days.

- Nothing new to report on the US RT 20 Culvert design at this time.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Davis gave February financial highlights:

- Revenue Report – we have received 17% of estimated revenue YTD, which is on target
- General Fund is slightly higher at 19%
- General Fund cash balance is lower than February last year
- Water Fund cash balance is \$61,000 higher than last year
- Sewer Fund balance is about \$80,000 higher than last year
- Electric Fund cash balance is lower
- Income tax collections were higher than last year; YTD is increased \$75,000
- Interest Income is \$1,950

We will be working with our portfolio group in the next two weeks to expand with some assets to try to get a better interest return.

Kronos timekeeping system went live for the first time this pay period. All in all it took a lot to get where we are at, but all the bugs will be ironed out. This pay period was challenging with the overtime for a couple departments being mixed in with the payroll system.

We are in the middle of our gap conversion which will set us up for our audit at the end of the year.

April 15 is the income tax filing deadline. We are starting to see more people coming in to file their returns.

We have received notification from the auditor of state that they will be in to do an OPERS audit. Basically they will make sure that what OPERS reports is the same as what we report to them. They have guaranteed this will not cost the City a dime.

For the Fire Department, they have been busy the past few weeks with three structure fires (one possible arson), three haz mat, fuel spills and also helped out with the meth lab. Twelve fire fighters attended training in Bowling Green for fire school last Saturday and eight attended on Sunday. We received Assistant Fire Chief John Van Doren retirement/resignation after 22 ½ years of service.

Mrs. Farrar questioned why the general fund balance is \$200,000 lower (we have been spending, compared to what we had in the past, including the PD improvements, the cruiser, purchases for parks department, etc.). Does this include all of the spend down for last year (this is for the past twelve months). How much different is it from last month (difference of \$30,000 from last month). \$208,000 sounds like a large amount, do you have any concerns with this (not with the projects, purchases and capital improvements we have been doing).

Mayor Black saw on the news that Owens Community College is opening a new fire training

program, which is the only one in the state of Ohio other than Columbus or Cincinnati so fire fighters in Northwest Ohio will not have to travel so far (we have used Owens facilities for various things).

Mayor Black questioned if there was one suspected arson, or was there two (the other suspected arson happened back in January and is currently still under investigation; yes, there are two currently being investigated).

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Keegan agrees that it is great news for the Bellevue Hardware Store to open a location in Clyde. He has traveled to the Bellevue store and they always have what he needs.

Mrs. Farrar attended the ClydeScope luncheon last week and was encouraged by the Director's dialogue. She felt the luncheon was well attended and it was a positive for the City.

Mr. Dick is glad to see more new businesses come to Clyde, although he would prefer to see them come to downtown.

Mr. Dick offered his congratulations to the Clyde Police Department for their fine work in the past couple weeks, along with the Fire Department. He also commended the departments for working well with other agencies which helps to get the job done. They have done a fine job of catching the bad guys, and he is glad they are weeding those people out.

Mayor Black also offered his thanks to the PD and the FD; unfortunately, the fact that they are busy is not a good thing, but it is good that they can handle it the way that they did.

Mayor Black has also traveled to Bellevue to the Hardware Store and has had good experiences. With the closure of Clyde hardware stores, there is a need for this here and he hopes they are successful.

The 3/24 work session is cancelled.

MOTIONS

Motion: to go into executive session at 7:32 p.m. for the sole purpose to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, **Action:** Enter Closed Session,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member - Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Council Member - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan.

Mayor Black noted that no further business will be addressed after the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the executive session at 8:42 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member - Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer.

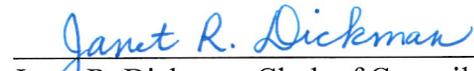
Motion: to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:42 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Council Member – Ken Dick, **Seconded by** Council Member – Gary Beamer.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Council Member - Kenneth Dick, Council Member - Steve Keegan, Council Member - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black.


G. Scott Black, Mayor


Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
VISITOR SIGN-IN

DATE: Tuesday 3-17-15 Regular Session

1. Brad Massman The Clyde Enterprise

2. Gary Smith

3. Braden Riehl Troop 320

4. JEREMY RIEHL

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