

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – May 19, 2015

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 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
Solicitor - Zachary Selvey (Not voting)
Administrative Secretary - Sharon Smith (Not voting)
Clerk of Council - Janet Dickman (Not voting)

Absent/

Excused:

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 May 5, 2015 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There was one correction.

Page 2, 3rd line: "... establish a park within the Village City ..."

Motion: to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2015 regular session of council as corrected,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member - Kenneth Dick, **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.

Craig Davis arrived at 7:30

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

Visitors: John Brewer

Regarding the correction to the previous set of minutes, Mr. Brewer clarified that Clyde was a Village at the time that the Anderson Park was established, which is the topic he was referring to during that portion of the minutes.

Clyde In Bloom had a meeting and the members expressed an interest in re-establishing a park but they do not want to be on another committee. There are members who want the park to be at its former location and questioned if maybe the bank would donate this land. They want to find the old Anderson Park sign, and they suggest having a sign at the plaza. Mr. Brewer noted that the Visitors Bureau mentions Clyde's downtown; a brochure from the County Park Department mentions the bike trail, but it does not list the Clyde Fair or the other Clyde events. He feels that the downtown area has no focal point and most community members do not know about the nice Anderson plaque that already exists.

Clyde In Bloom is very supportive of recognizing Thad Hurd, and if the recognizing of Anderson and Hurd is combined together, they are supportive of that. When they discussed using the grassy area near the City Building, a suggestion was made to name the entire plaza Hurd Plaza. He questioned if there are any plans to acknowledge Marge and Steve Stephenson and he noted that Clyde In Bloom has plans to have a statue of a newsboy somewhere in downtown.

Clyde In Bloom is very busy, and they will begin putting pots of flowers around town when the nighttime temperatures rise. But this group questions why there needs to be a committee to re-establish a park.

Mr. Keegan does not remember Anderson Park. He was reading a railroad book and learned that the railroad depot there was torn down in 1960. Mr. Keegan saw the Anderson historical marker and feels it is very nice. Mr. Brewer noted that the marker cannot be seen from the street and no one knows it is there. He suggests having a marker that explains the reason for the park and a sign that would direct people to the marker.

Mrs. Farrar stated that there is not enough parking for downtown; therefore, she is not in favor of eliminating any parking spots to make way for a park, and she is not in favor of using the small triangle of grass where the former park was located. She feels Paden Park is a nice area, and she is in favor of using only current City owned properties for a park. She feels the formation of a committee would bring together community members from different community groups, to offer different ideas. Mr. Brewer clarified that they are only suggesting to use the grassy area, not to eliminate any parking spots. Clyde In Bloom members do not want to develop a committee until an area is designated for the park. They are merely offering suggestions of where to have the park and they are asking for a commitment from the City.

Mr. Dick suggested that maybe Council could make a motion to state that Council supports re-establishing Anderson Park and creating Hurd Park. Mr. Brewer stated that Clyde In Bloom also wants a commitment that the park signs will be returned.

Mayor Black has not heard any negative comments to any suggestions that have been made, and

he does not anticipate any negative comments unless the final plans would require too much financial support. He suggests that City staff check City storage areas to see if the former park sign still exists. He suggests having a Council Work Session to get a plan of action formed and to recruit a representative from each Clyde club organization or board to be part of this Park Planning Committee. If no one shows up for the Work Session, then we will be back to square one to try to make this happen. Mr. Brewer does not anticipate the final plans to require too much financial support because they envision only wanting park signs; however, they would like to find financial support for brochures to promote the City and the downtown area. With a Resolution maybe we could get more people to agree to help. The Kiwanis and Moose organizations are already on board.

Mr. Brewer reported that Clyde In Bloom has more benches to put around town. They will address the Visitor brochures next year.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

2015-24 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WWTP FLOW EQUALIZATION BASIN PROJECT AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN THE CITY OF CLYDE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. **2015-24** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser reiterated that this Ordinance is to authorize to advertise for bids. Although we do not currently have the permit to install, the emergency clause is needed so that as soon as we get the permit we want to be able to move forward because this will be a lengthy bid process. The goal is to try to get this project up and running by the end of the year.

Mr. Keegan questioned what will happen with this basin if a storm would cause the power to go out (it will still work because this is a gravity system).

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 Council Member - Kenneth Dick, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

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. **2015-24** was read by title only for its second reading.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2015-24**, **Action:** Adopt,

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

Mayor Black announced that Ordinance No. **2015-24** has been adopted.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2015-20 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONSENT AND THE CITY'S SHARE OF PROJECT COSTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE US ROUTE 20 CULVERT CARRYING THE MICHAELS-WELLIVER DITCH IN THE CITY OF CLYDE.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2015-20** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. Fiser stated that they are finalizing the plans, which are almost complete, with Richland Engineering and are shooting for a March 2016 bid date.

Council had no comments or questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2015-20**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **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 Ordinance No. **2015-20** was adopted.

2015-21 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CITY OF CLYDE'S SHARE OF PROJECT COSTS FOR PAVEMENT UPGRADE ON SR-101 FROM US RT 20 WITHIN CITY CORPORATION LIMITS.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2015-21** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. Fiser has not heard an update from ODOT. September 2015 is the bid date. There is currently not a timeframe for completion of this project.

Mrs. Farrar questioned if the city corporation limits go to Burkholder Road (yes, plus or minus).

Mr. Keegan questioned if they will be doing any grinding (yes, they will grind down two inches, then place two inches of asphalt). Mr. Keegan noted that if the pavement is too high rain will run into the garage area of Billings Garage.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2015-21**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member - Kenneth Dick, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

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 announced that Ordinance No. **2015-21** was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

2015-25 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BEV HENSON TO THE CITY OF CLYDE LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE/STREET TREE COMMISSION.

Resolution No. **2015-25** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser has not met Ms. Henson but anyone who wants to volunteer he is glad to have them.

Mr. Keegan does not know Ms. Henson but he is sure she will do a good job.

Mr. Beamer agrees with Mr. Keegan and welcomes Ms. Henson.

Mr. Dick is always happy to have someone offer to volunteer and he wishes her good luck.

Mayor Black welcomed Ms. Henson.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2015-25**, **Action:** Pass,

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.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2015-25** passed.

2015-26 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SCHREIBER LLC OF TRUSSVILLE, ALABAMA FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 24" DIAMETER OPEN FLIGHT SCREW PUMP FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN THE CITY OF CLYDE; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF MONEYS THEREFORE.

Resolution No. **2015-26** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser reminded Council that in October/November of 2014 a picture of the other lower screw pump was shared with Council to show that the pump is more of an auger that lays in a trough and the lower flights are missing due to the abrasion of the material. The one that was ordered last year was split over two budget cycles due to the expensive nature of this equipment. We now need to order this other one.

Mr. Keegan noted that this pump runs 24 hours a day seven days a week. He has seen the amount of sand that they bring up, and he feels it is a wonder that this equipment lasts as long as it does.

Mr. Beamer questioned if it is cheaper to purchase as opposed to fixing it (yes).

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2015-26**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member - Kenneth Dick, **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.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2015-26** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Fiser gave the following report:

The final constructions items should be completed by tomorrow, if not today, on the East Forest Street Phase II sewer separation project. All that we are waiting on is some as built from the surveying company.

The 2015 road resurfacing contracts have been executed. The General Service Department and the Environmental Service Department have been concentrating on the roads that are in that contract to accomplish any needed work prior to M&B's arrival.

On May 28 we will be accepting bids for paving of the lower lot at Community Park. That has been a project that up to this point we have done with our people working on it. We still have some compacting and final grading to complete. The paving will not start until after the July 4th celebration.

The EPA loan application for the EQ basin has been submitted. This has been discussed with the coordinator and everything looks in line for our award. We are still actively pursuing a 0% interest rate on that. We also have Green Springs engaged with us on that request. Again, hardship communities are established, with the City of Clyde being 1% hardship and the Village of Green Springs is a 0% so we are at least looking for some sort of blended rate. Best case scenario is we have asked for 0% taking into account Green Springs' rating.

Clyde Light and Power has already started relocating its two circuits at the WWT plant. Both of those were in conflict with the proposed location on the EQ basin. That work has been going pretty smoothly.

We have been in contact with Norfolk and Southern regarding complaints related to grade crossings in the city, specifically Woodland and Maple. We are also working on the meeting to discuss an alternative method of building the grain train. Their outside council is trying to rent a room for that.

Negotiations are continuing on the solar field projects. Those discussions involve the City, our rate and power portfolio coordinator, our outside council and then the investors. The intent is to bring the legislation to Council within the next two meetings and to keep that project rolling so we are getting some of the benefit yet this summer.

It has been a great spring for growing grass. We seem to be holding our own, but the General Services Department has put in some late nights. They are just trying to keep up with the curb

side pick-up along with their other scheduled work. It has been a challenge. It has also been a challenge for the Parks and Cemetery department, but be assured that McPherson Cemetery will be ready for coming events this coming Monday.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Davis noted the following highlights of the April financials:

- Revenue and expenditures are on target
- General Fund cash balance is at \$1.4 million
- Water Fund cash balance is at \$2.2 million
- Sewer Fund cash balance is at \$456,000, partly due to the rate increase
- Electric Fund cash balance is at \$5.2 million, \$883,000 lower than last year
- Income Tax collections are at \$507,000 compared to \$486,000 in 2014, increase of \$21,585; YTD is increased \$117,000 over last year
- Interest Income is \$3,589 compared to \$8,243 last year; last year we cashed in some CD's and termed them out for a better rate

Regarding Income Tax Collections, around our area this has been picking up which is a good thing. We are currently starting to get in the process for re-doing our income tax codes. House Bill 5 is coming and we have training sessions coming up in July. We will have to see how potential new language and new laws will affect our Ordinances and see if any tweaking needs to be done.

In about two months, budget notices will be sent out to City department heads.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Beamer questioned if Council will be participating in the Memorial Day parade. Council is invited to ride in the parade and should contact the VFW if they would like to do so (Mr. Dick will contact the VFW to tell them that four Council members will be attending). It was noted that they just got the parade permit today. Participants should meet at Auxter Funeral Home.

Mr. Dick reported that there are residences that need their grass mowed because banks are not keeping track of their home properties. The City zoning office is trying to address this situation. Mrs. Farrar has also heard complaints about this at the bank.

Mayor Black reported that his neighbor property also needs the grass mowed (Mr. Winke has been addressing this problem in years past).

The May work session was cancelled.

MOTIONS

Motion: to go into executive session to consider employment, dismissal, discipline, or demotion of a public employee at 8:00 p.m., **Action:** Enter Closed Session,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member - Kenneth Dick.

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 no further business would take place following the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the executive session at 8:49 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **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.

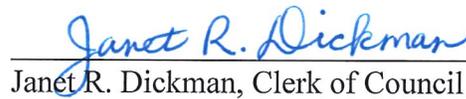
Motion: to adjourn the regular session at 8:49 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor - G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member - Kenneth Dick.

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.


G. Scott Black, Mayor


Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
VISITOR SIGN-IN

DATE: Tuesday May 19, 2015

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