

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
MARCH 24, 2014

**Call to Order**

Mayor Steve Miller called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building, 5350 Pleasant Avenue. He introduced students from Cincinnati Christian Elementary's Tradetown program that were attending the meeting - Tradetown Mayor Magnolia, Vice Mayor Tim and Police Officer Ryanne.

**Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance**

Tradetown Mayor Magnolia led the prayer and Pack 967 Cub Scouts out of Sacred Heart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Clerk Wilson called the roll of Council. Present members were Councilmember Adam Jones, Councilmember Marty Judd, Councilmember Debbie Pennington, Councilmember Terry Senger, Councilmember Chad Oberson, Councilmember Mike Snyder, and Councilmember Bill Woeste.

**Agenda Modifications**

Councilmember Snyder proposed an agenda modification to add Charter Review Commission appointments to the Simple Motion on the agenda. Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Oberson, moved for the proposed agenda modification. Motion carried 7-0.

**Executive Session Requests**

Councilmember Judd, seconded by Councilmember Woeste, moved for executive session to discuss employment of personnel and pending/imminent litigation. Motion carried 7-0.

**Public Hearing(s)**

**Special Presentations and Citizen Comments**

Cincinnati Christian School principle Donna Hempleman explained Tradetown to Council and presented a thank-you gift to the police department for all the hard work they do to help keep the school safe and build relationships with the students.

**Mayor/Council Reports**

Councilmember Jones introduced Tradetown Vice Mayor Tim Fuller, who read the Public Safety report for this week. Sergeant Amy Mays received the Top Cop Award from Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Sgt. Mays has been the coordinator with the Butler County OVI Task Force for the past three years and is responsible for OVI check-points within the city.

Councilmember Judd reported that in a recent study of 64 public entities in the Dayton area, the City of Fairfield's combined water and sewer rate is the fourth lowest. He also thanked everyone for their condolences on the passing of his mother.

Councilmember Senger reported that Moody's Investor Services of New York affirmed the City's outstanding AA1 bond rating, which is reserved for less than 10% of government agencies in the nation.

He thanked the Finance Director and City staff for all of their hard work to maintain a strong financial position.

Councilmember Oberson reported that curb-side brush pick-up will start on April 7. There is also the Operation Dump Truck option, to have a truck brought to your home to fill with brush. For more information, contact Public Works at 867-4200.

Councilmember Snyder reported that a trio will perform at the Community Arts Center on Friday, March 28 at 7 PM. The trio performs songs made popular by harmony groups, such as the Andrews Sisters. Additional information is available online. Also, Hamilton-Fairfield Symphony Orchestra will hold the 5k run on Saturday, April 12 along the bike path that starts in Waterworks Park. Registration opens at 7:30 AM.

Mayor Miller recognized the individuals that were submitted in the Fairfield Works Program over the past few months, snow plow drivers in general; Police Sgt. Amy Mays; Jason Roesch, Doug Smith and Matt Young of the Public Works Department; Chris Schuster and Heidi Schiller of the Parks and Recreation Department.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Regular Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2014

- The Regular Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2014 were approved as written

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Bill Woeste, Chairman; Adam Jones, Vice Chairman, Mike Snyder, Member**

Ordinance to amend various sections of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, relative to the City of Fairfield Design, Construction and Material Specifications Handbook and Water Requirements.

Councilmember Woeste presented the third reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Bill Woeste, seconded by Councilmember Mike Snyder moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 21-14. APPROVED 7-0.

Ordinance to amend various sections of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, relative to the Storm Water Quality Management Plan, Drainage, Sedimentation Control, Stormwater Management Requirements and Sewer requirements.

Councilmember Bill Woeste, seconded by Councilmember Terry Senger moved to amend the ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0.

Councilmember Woeste presented the second reading of this ordinance.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**Chad Oberson, Chairman; Mike Snyder, Vice Chairman, Bill Woeste, Member**

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Ohio Department of Transportation for Bridge Inspection Program Services.

Councilmember Oberson presented the third reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Chad Oberson, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 22-14. APPROVED 7-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**Mike Snyder, Chairman; Bill Woeste, Vice Chairman, Debbie Pennington, Member**

Simple Motion: Boards & Commissions Appointments appoint the following residents to serve on Fairfield's boards and commissions effective April 1, 2014:

Board of Zoning Appeals – Greg Porter, term expires 3/31/2019  
Design Review Committee – Jeffrey Larkin, term expires 3/31/2016  
Ward Boundary Review – Keith Foster

**Environmental Commission:**

David Colteryahn, term expiring March 31, 2017  
Greg LoBuono, term expiring March 31, 2017  
Gwen Ritchie, term expiring March 31, 2016  
Adam Sackenheim, term expiring March 31, 2015  
Charles Ullrich, term expiring March 31, 2017

**Cultural Arts Advisory Commission:**

Sherry Knapp-Brown, term expiring March 31, 2017  
Abigail Slaven, term expiring March 31, 2016  
Joan Hume, term expiring March 31, 2016

**Charter Review Appointments, eff. April 1, 2014 and ending March 31, 2016:**

First Ward - Daniel Miller  
Second Ward - Sandy Keller  
Third Ward - Theresa Durbin  
Fourth Ward - Kevin Noll  
At-Large - Kenneth Fields  
At-Large - John Hensley  
At-Large - Thomas Montgomery

Councilmember Snyder, seconded by Councilmember Judd, moved to approve the Boards & Commissions appointments. Motion carried 7-0. SIMPLE MOTION NO. 8-14. APPROVED 7-0.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Adam Jones, Chairman; Marty Judd, Vice Chairman, Terry Senger, Member**

Ordinance to amend Chapter 725, Peddlers and Solicitors, of the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Councilmember Adam Jones, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Background: City Manager Pizzano suggested an ordinance to amend the Peddlers and Solicitors license portion of the Codified Ordinances. The major change is moving the process from the City Manager's Office to the Police Department and requiring the license to be displayed in some way. Legislative Action: Tradetown Vice Mayor Tim presented the first reading of this ordinance.

#### **FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**Terry Senger, Chairman; Debbie Pennington, Vice Chairman, Chad Oberson, Member**

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to read the following two (2) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Ordinance to establish salaries and hourly rates for certain salaried and hourly employees of the City of Fairfield, Ohio and to authorize and limit the numbers and types of certain employees, to repeal Ordinance No. 88-13 and all amendments thereto and declaring an emergency.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to establish the salaries and hourly rates for the Fire Department, pursuant to the new bargaining agreement that was approved. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Chad Oberson moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 23-14. APPROVED 7-0.

Non-Contractual Appropriations - \$15,000 for purchase of hydrants for Water Division; \$13,950 for Review Appraisal Services for Route 4, South Gilmore & Holden Intersection Improvements; \$6,500 for Cellular Telephone Analysis Equipment, Software and Training; \$11,955 for operation of Explorer's Post with Fairfield Police Department.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended non-contractual appropriations for the purchase of hydrants for the Water Division, review appraisal services for Rt. 4, S. Gilmore and Holden Intersection Improvements, Cellular Telephone Analysis Equipment, Software and Training and the operation of the Explorer's Post with Fairfield Police Department. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Mike Snyder moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 24-14. APPROVED 7-0.

**Meeting Schedule**

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Monday, April 14 Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 28 Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, May 12 Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Executive Session of Council (if needed)**

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:30 PM.

**Adjournment**

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 8:10 PM.

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Council  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor