

City of Deer Park
City Council Meeting
Municipal Building
April 11, 2016

President Hedger opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. The Clerk read the roll. Mr. Lehane, Mr. Lenihan, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Perin, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell, Mr. Tolliver. Mr. Tassell motioned to excuse Mr. Lehane and Mr. Rapp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2016 City Council Meeting and the April 4, 2016 Committee Meeting. Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment – Citizens and Guests –

Mr. Peter Stackpole – Candidate for Hamilton County Common Pleas Court Judge

Mr. Stackpole introduced himself and spoke about his work experiences and why he is qualified to be Common Pleas Judge. He has carried a positive motto with him since his youth that says “In today’s world a loving good person, even alone, can make a difference”. He spoke of personal tragedy so he feels that he can relate to the public by treating everyone with dignity and respect.

Ms. Denise Driehaus – Candidate for Hamilton County Commissioner

Ms. Driehaus introduced herself and announced her candidacy for Hamilton County Commissioner. She mentioned that she is trying to get to all of the communities in Hamilton County to see what’s going on. She acknowledged that there are differences in all of the communities. Ms. Driehaus expressed her excitement regarding the 2016-08 Resolution while also suggesting ideas and contacts for the city to obtain additional assistance for grants.

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee

March 2016 Income Tax Report

Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the March 2016 Income Tax Report. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

March 2016 Northwest JEDZ Report

Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the March 2016 NW JEDZ Report. Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

March 2016 Auditor’s and Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the March 2016 Auditor’s and Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution 2016-08 Local Government Innovative Fund Grant Application

Mr. Tolliver asked the Clerk to read Ordinance 2016-08. So read. Mr. Tolliver motioned to waive the three reading rule and Ms. Newsom seconded the motion Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp - yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried. Mr. Tolliver motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Perin. Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp -yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – abstain. Motion carried.

Safety Committee

March 2016 Fire District Report

Mr. Lenihan reported that for the month of March there were 29 fire runs and 154 EMS runs for a total of 183 runs. In Deer Park there were 5 fire runs and 73 EMS runs for a total of 78 runs.

March 2016 Police Report

Mr. Perin reported that during the month of March there were 344 calls on 1st shift, 225 calls on 2nd shift and 285 calls on 3rd shift for a total of 854 calls. March was a busy month with several investigations, completed court cases and additional traffic enforcement. Scam artists have been going door-to-door with meat sales and home improvement scams while a Scott's Lawn Care worker was found soliciting without a proper permit. Residents are urged not to engage with door-to-door solicitors as they could just be a distraction while a partner steals from another part of your home. Car break ins are on the rise. Residents are urged to lock their car doors.

Police Department Open House, May 14, 2016, 1pm-3pm

Mr. Berens announced that the Deer Park Police will host an open house on May 14 from 1 – 3 pm. Most of the officers will be here and the department will be open so that citizens can receive a tour.

Public Works Committee

Salt Contract Update

Mr. Tassell delivered good news about the salt contract stating that the salt company has waived the original purchase requirement for this past winter, which was 130 tons, as long as we agree to stay under the same terms of the contract for next year which is for the same price and amount.

Infrastructure Committee Report

Mr. Tassell stated that committee is waiting on word from engineers about the capital improvement project and then they will be able to get back with council and citizens. Good news was received today from Representative Dever stating that a state fund is coming in tomorrow and Deer Park is in for \$175,000, which enters into the budget on April 12, 2016 for starting work on St. John's Terrace.

Report of Special Committees / Boards

Park Board

Mr. Perin announced that Music in the Park is coming to Chamberlin Park on May 28 from 8 – 11 pm featuring Frogman, Mr. Helmes band, and Randy Weeks on acoustic guitar. Mayor Donnellon is meeting with sponsors soon to plan more Music in the Park events to take place once a month in the summer. Movies in the Park begin in June and will be on the 3rd Saturday of June, July and August.

Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far – None
Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous – None
New Business – None

Reports from other City Officials

Treasurer – None

Law Director – None

Auditor – None

Safety Service Director – Mr. Berens announced that we have been approved for three storm water district grants for the capital improvement project. The exact amounts are not yet known.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Donnellon thanked both candidates, Mr. Peter Stackpole and Ms. Denise Driehaus, for joining us tonight.

Adjournment

Mr. Perin motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Tassell. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Christine Hedger
President of Council

Joan Perin
Clerk of Council