

City of Deer Park  
City Council Meeting  
Municipal Building  
August 12, 2019

President Daily opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. The Clerk of Council Pro Tem read the roll. Mr. Camp, Ms. Culver, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Lehane, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell. Mr. Tassell motioned to excuse Mr. Rapp. Mr. Lehane seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Tassell motioned to approve the amended minutes from the July 22, 2019 Council Meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Camp. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Public Comment – Citizens and Guests –**

Mayor Donnellon did a proclamation to Carols Curls for being in business for 40 years

***Doug McGrew – 4212 Myrtle Avenue*** – Mr. McGrew Spoke in support of not having a gun ban on the community center as well as spoke statistics in support of concealed carry. Mr. Tassell stated that the ordinance allowing concealed carry in the community center had passed previously

***Charles Meyer – 7212 Delaware Avenue*** – Mr. Meyer stated that he had a sofa and mattress delivered to his home and the company didn't pick up sofa as expected. It sat in driveway for only a few hours then moved to garage. He then received a letter from the city stating that he had violated code. He was upset and said that the city should give 24 hours to remove items, he then spoke of things he had seen in other peoples yards and he guessed they had not received letters because items were there for days and feels this is unfair. Mr. Jetter spoke up and asked Mr. Meyer to call him with these kind of issues and he would help him with that. Mr. Meyer also asked if rumor that there are 3 real estate people on council, and if so that is an unfair advantage, no one from council responded to the question

***Kerry Baker – 4169 Webster Avenue*** – Ms. Baker brought up concealed carry again and how it's not a good idea in community center and wanted to know if DPPD was trained in those situations and how will police know if the concealed carry citizen isn't the shooter? Officer McCormick responded with all the training police department does and that they are prepared and noted that the police department standards are higher than state of Ohio standards

***Rachel James – 4122 Redmont Avenue*** – Ms. Jones stated that she has lived in the city for over 7 years and although council meetings are hard to come to she wondered if council would be interested in having meetings on Saturday mornings instead? Several moms that are friends of hers wants more events in Park including the basketball nets back. Mayor Donnellon referred her to park board while Mr. Tassell mentioned the possibility of small meeting by ward on Saturday morning for coffee or quarterly coffee meetings with council.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

**Legislative and Finance Committee \*Chairman Charles Tassell**

**ORDINANCE 2019-21 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, OHIO, THE QUESTION: "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER?" AND FOR THE ELECTION**

**OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CHARTER COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Tassell motioned to adopt Ordinance 2019-21. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Mr. Camp – yes, Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Gavin – yes, Mr. Lehane – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 2019-22 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK TAX ADMINISTRATOR AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE TAX ADMINISTRATOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY(SECOND READING)**

Mr. Tassell motioned to move Ordinance 2019-22 to the three reading. Discussion ensued. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Mr. Camp – yes, Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Gavin – yes, Mr. Lehane – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes. Motion carried.

**Safety Committee \*Chairman Tom Camp**

**July 2019 Fire Report**

Mr. Camp reported that in the month of July there were 65 runs. 225 in district and 1412 details year to date.

Mr. Lehane will attend fire district meeting on August 13.

**July 2019 Police Report**

This report will be held until council can review.

**Public Works Committee \*Chairman Mike Rapp**

Mr. Jetter gave updates on paving, St. John's connector.

**Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous - None**

**New Business**

Allen Freeman from 50+1 company came and spoke of what he does for city. He is responsible for bringing in 1.521 million dollars in funding for the city.

He also supports with Loring group and economic development, his goal is to take \$1 and turn it into \$5 without asking taxpayers for more money. He was asked questions, Mr. Gavin asked if Deer Park was headed in right direction and why does it take so long for developers to come to us. Mr. Freeman said we just need to be patient. Mr. Gavin also commented on his role in the economic development planning in 2006 and how the intersection of Blue Ash Road and Galbraith Road still isn't developed and done, why?

**Other New Business**

Mr. Gavin gave Law Director Helmes documentation asking him to verify legality of prior council vote allowing concealed carry in community center, he believes the vote is invalid, Mr. Helmes will look into and respond at next council meeting.

**Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far**

***Rachel James – 4122 Redmont Avenue*** – Ms. Jones spoke and asked if there was a website she could look at regarding the Blue Ash Road project. Mr. Jetter offered to show her pictures of hopefully finished project.

***Kerry Baker – 4169 Webster Avenue*** – Ms. Baker spoke on projects and timelines and stated she thought we should be working on funding for the second phase of Blue Ash Road since it takes a while to do funding. Mr. Jetter informed her we are currently working on that.

**Chris Hedger - 4128 St. John's Terrace** – Ms. Hedger asked what ordinance 2019-10 is and was advised that it is the allowing of concealed carry in Community Center. She also stated she didn't like criticism given in regards to intersection of Blue Ash and Galbraith Roads and stated it has been worked on for years and The CIC was set up 3-4 years ago. Ms. Hedger also asked about funding of St John's Terrace and if any work would be done on west side of this street. Mr. Jetter stated that work will be done on St. John's to Monticello and also from Plainfield to Blue Ash Rd.

### **Reports from other City Officials**

**Treasurer** – None

**Law Director** – None

**Auditor** – None

**Safety Service Director** – Mr. Jetter spoke went over road projects:

Parrot was taken off of 2019 list as Water Works is going to do work on that street. There are bids going happening on Clifford Road.

The bike connector is delayed but we are hoping for funding in September.

OPWC fund was applied for to use for St. John's Terrace and we are waiting to hear.

Matson CT will be paved.

Gave out copy of Blue Ash Road utility work to be done.

Mr. Jetter will be crafting a letter to send to residents of St. John's Terrace residents to answer questions.

Duke wants to move placement of gas lines on Blue Ash Road however ODOT told them it has to stay in same place.

**Mayor** – None

### **Schedule**

August 13 Deer Park Silverton Fire district meeting 4pm

August 17 Music in the Park

August 20 Block watch 7pm Community Center

August 22 World Trade Center meeting 4 pm community room

August 27 Call to action Deer a Park High School event on addiction epidemic

September 3 Council Committee meeting 7pm

September 9 Council meeting 7 pm

September 23 Council meeting 7pm

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

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President of Council

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Angie Chachoff  
Clerk of Council Pro Tem