City of Deer Park City Council Municipal Building Meeting April 15, 2024

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation.

Clerk of Council read the roll. Mayor Donnellon, Tom Camp, Kathy Downs, Mark Feldhaus, Neil Kelly, Natasha Kohorst, Chris Westmark. All present.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Camp motioned to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2024, Council Meeting and the April 1, 2024 Public Hearing minutes; Ms. Downs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark: None

Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp

Mr. Camp shared the February Fire Report, Mr. Feldhaus shared the February Police Report.

Public Works Committee Chair Kathy Downs

Ms. Downs discussed concrete and sidewalk work on Plainfield Rd, as well as the ramps. Concrete work continues in the southbound lane of Plainfield Road.

Park Board Committee Chair Mark Feldhaus

The first Music in the Park is May 4^{th} 7-10 pm. The Scott Luck Band will be performing. The next two dates for Music in the Park are June 1^{st} and June 22^{nd} , 2024. Ms. Kohorst shared that Yoga in the Park will begin the first Saturday in May. We Thrive Park Clean-up is Saturday April 27^{th} 10am-Noon.

Diversity & Inclusion Steering Committee Chair Neil Kelly: no updates

Correspondence & Miscellaneous: A letter from the Ohio Liquor Board was received asking if any objections to liquor licenses being renewed in the city be sent in and postmarked by May 2nd, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Feldhaus asked if anyone is using the free Wi-Fi at the park. Dr. Jetter stated the city doesn't receive much reporting from Cincinnati Bell and suggests the city not renew when the contract is up.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> Mayor Donnellon made a motion to move into Executive Session. Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Camp-yes, Ms. Downs-yes, Mr. Feldhaus-yes, Mr. Kelly-yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark-yes, Mayor Donnellon-yes. Motion carried. Council went into Executive Session at 7:11 PM. At 7:24 PM. Mayor Donnellon made a motion to reconvene, Ms. Westmark seconded the motion, motion carried.

Special Announcements & Reports from Other City Official.

Solicitor -- none

City Manager-Dr. Jetter is negotiating Phase 2 of the Blue Ash Road project, working on a survey with Kleingers. A reminder the State Auditor will be here April 24th to 26th to complete the annual audit. In 2023 the city contested the audit so this year could be worse. The bid goes out this Friday for the Music Pavilion. Dr. Jetter has received phone calls on the sidewalk program, if you work with your neighbors and do at the same time it can save you money. The Service Department is continuing to replace catch basins saving the city money. The Railroad will begin boring under the tracks near Deer Park Avenue. The service department is working to replace the burned out lights on the ball fields, they will need to rent a crane to complete the work. Dr. Jetter thanked the residents who followed the protocol for scheduling appointments with the Tax Department.

Mayor-

Effective April 13th, 2024 Aaron Voland city worker has completed his 90 days and has received an increase to \$25.12 effective that date. He also reminded council about Music in the Park, May 4th 2024.

Schedule:

We Thrive Spring Cleanup is Saturday April 27th 10am-Noon.

Monday May 6th 2024 Council Meeting 7PM in Council Chambers.

Monday May 20th 2024 Council Meeting 7PM in Council Chambers.

Events:

April 16th Block Watch Meeting 7:00 PM at the Community Center.

May 4th 2024 Music in the Park 7PM.

May 21st 2024 Block Watch 7PM.

May 27th 2024 Memorial Day Parade 10:00 AM

September 28th, 2024 Strategic Planning Session 8:30-Noon at the Community Center.

DEI Committee

Monday April 29^h, 2024 7 PM Council Chambers

Mayor Donnellon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Downs seconded the motion; approved; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Mayor John Donnellon

Clerk of Council Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff

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