

City of Deer Park
City Council Meeting
Municipal Building
June 11, 2018

President Comer opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer. The Clerk read the roll. Ms. Culver, Mr. Daily, Mr. Tassell, Mr. Rapp, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Camp.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Tassell motioned to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2018 Council Meeting and the June 4, 2018 Committee Meeting. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment – Citizens and Guests –

Mr. Carl Marshall – 3827 O’Leary Avenue – Mr. Marshall announced that he wanted to address something that was deeply unsettling to him personally and to others in the city. Mr. Marshall would also like it known that this should not be misconstrued as a personal attack. Mr. Marshall read a letter which he asked to be included in the record.

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee

2018-22 AN ORDINANCE WAIVING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN INCOME TAX BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS

Mr. Tassell asked the Clerk to read Ordinance 2018-22. So read. Mr. Tassell motioned to move to the third reading. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Gavin – yes, Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

2018-24 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 913.06 OF THE DEER PARK CODIFIED ORDINANCES

Mr. Tassell asked the Clerk to read Ordinance 2018-24. So read. Mr. Tassell motioned to move to the third reading. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Gavin – yes, Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

2018-25 A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE “WE THRIVE!” COMMUNITY WELLNESS IN ACTION INITIATIVES IN COLLABORATION WITH HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Mr. Tassell asked the Clerk to read Resolution 2018-25. So read. Mr. Tassell motioned to move to the second reading. Ms. Culver seconded the motion. Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Gavin – yes, Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

2018-26 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019

Mr. Tassell asked the Clerk to read Resolution 2018-26. So read. Discussion ensued. Ms. Culver asked several questions and Mr. Gavin made comments. Mr. Tassell motioned to move to the second reading. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Ms. Culver – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Gavin – no, Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

Follow Up on Two Items

Mr. Tassell announced that for process audits the auditor can be hired, functionally, for a process audit which has a 12 to 1 ratio of return on investment for municipalities.

Mr. Tassell announced that at the recent Municipal League meeting the Duke Foundation announced that they had over \$300,000 to give away for projects in the area. They are specifically looking for municipalities to participate.

Safety Committee

Police Report May 2018

Mr. Daily reported that for the month of May there were 852 calls for service. 287 on first shift, 349 on second shift and 216 on third shift. Mr. Daily gave a breakdown of different types of service calls. Mr. Camp thanked all for a great open house in the police department on May 19.

Fire District Report May 2018

Mr. Camp reported that in the month of May there were 15 fire runs and 67 EMS runs. The total for the complete fire district this year so far is 1072. The new quint arrived on May 12 and the staff is in the process of training on it. The Fire Chief has advised that it will be in service by the end of this month. Mr. Daily will attend the Fire Board meeting on June 12. Mr. Camp stated that at the end of June Monticello residents will receive a letter and a local meeting will be set to show why a fire lane may be necessary.

Public Works Committee –

Upcoming Street Programs to start - Onyx surfacing - Reclamite Program

Mr. Rapp announced that the Onyx surfacing and the Reclamite program, which was initiated by Councilman Mr. Dan Lehane, is scheduled to begin after July 4.

Report of Special Committees/Boards – None

Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous – Ms. Perin read a thank you note from Mr. and Mrs. Brookbank thanking Mayor Donnellon, Mr. Jetter and all of City Council for the prayers, thoughts, cards, get well wishes and visits while Mr. Brookbank was recently in the hospital.

New Business – Mr. Tassell announced that due to violation of Robert's Rules of Order in Chapter 12, Section 43 and as a statutory city, thereby violating the Ohio Revised Code 731.45 - on May 14, 2018 at the council meeting, City Councilman Shawn Gavin attacked the intentions and the integrity of this council body and Mr. Tassell specifically. Mr. Tassell moves that this body pass censure on Councilmember Gavin. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Mr. Tassell stated that following the attack on May 14, 2018 he followed up with the city's insurance and they concurred it was a violation. Robert's Rules of Order states specifically that when a question is pending the member can condemn the nature or likely consequence but must avoid personalities. The measure, not the member, is the subject of debate. This is the second attack that Mr. Gavin has made on Mr. Tassell with the first being the intentions of this body on the Vacant Building Ordinance. A roll call vote was taken: Ms. Culver – no, Mr. Daily – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried. President Comer read the following to Mr. Gavin. "Mr. Gavin, you have been censured by your peers to warn you of the seriousness of your breach and to make clear that as a public official, there are legal expectations of your behavior: you are not to question or impugn the intentions or motivations of this Council as a body or individually.

Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far –

Ms. Chris Hedger – 4128 St. John's Terrace – Ms. Hedger reminded Mr. Gavin of all the times, even 5 to 7 years ago, that he warned everyone that Deer Park was going to run out of money. Ms. Hedger pointed out that the city has not run out of money and that Mr. Applegate does a wonderful job with our budget. Ms. Hedger referenced Mr. Gavin's reaction and vote on the budget as that of "Henny Penny" warning that "the sky is falling" and asked Mr. Gavin directly what his ideas are. Mr. Gavin remained silent.

Mr. Joseph Caliguri – 4009 St. John's Terrace – Mr. Caliguri stated that the Hamilton County survey of his property was done incorrectly.

Ms. Luanne Cain – 4256 Schenck Avenue – Ms. Cain asked if someone could please contact a contractor for repair of sidewalks at a discounted rate. Ms. Cain stated that she has several blocks of sidewalks that need repair or replacement and figures that other residents could benefit as well.

Mr. Mike Ketteler – 4005 St. John’s Terrace – Mr. Ketteler announced that he had been informed about his neighbor disputing things about his property and it has become quite a nuisance. Mr. Ketteler stated that he has phone pictures and video of his neighbor backing into his driveway and grass. President Comer advised that we do not resolve neighbor disputes.

Reports from other City Officials

Treasurer – None

Law Director – Mr. Helmes announced that Ms. Perin has received a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control as to whether or not a hearing is requested to transfer from Barresi’s Restaurant to the new owner. Mr. Daily motioned that a hearing is not requested and Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Ms. Perin will mail the notice.

Auditor – None

Safety Service Director – Mr. Jetter announced that the City of Deer Park has been awarded \$18,800 for the market analysis with a rendering of Blue Ash Road Business district that will reflect the analysis finding. This is huge for our economic development for the Blue Ash Road Corridor and Streetscape Project.

Mayor – Mayor Donnellon reminded all of this weekend’s Music in the Park event featuring “Paisley Cain” on June 16th at Chamberlin Park.

Schedule

June 11, 2018 Council Meeting 7 pm

June 12, 2018 Deer Park Fire District Meeting 4:30 pm Fire District Headquarters

June 16, 2018 Music in the Park 8 pm – 11 pm

June 25, 2018 Council Meeting 7 pm

June 30, 2018 Music in the Park 8 pm – 11 pm

July 9, 2018 Deer Park BZA meeting 6 pm

July 9, 2018 Public Hearing on 2019 Budget 6:45 pm

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Joseph W. Comer
President of Council

Joan E. Perin
Clerk of Council