

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, December 16, 2013

President of Council Doug Joseph called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

Members of Council present: Scott Barrett, Leslie Kelly, Cornelius McGrady, III., and Mel Clemens, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Monica DeBrock.

The Invocation was given by Councilman Cotner who then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting held 12/09/2013.

Approval of Agenda

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Beggerow: Department Budget report for Month ending November 30, 2013, Clerk of Courts report for October, 2013 and 6 month SEUP updates.

REPORTS

MOTIONS

10a. Council re-appointment of Richard Hudson to the Design Review Board for a three year term beginning January 2, 2014 and ending December 31, 2016.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mr. Barrett. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". Appointment Confirmed.

10b. Council re-appointment of Jim Comeaux to the Design Review Board for a three year term beginning January 2, 2014 and ending December 31, 2016.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mr. McGrady. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". Appointment Confirmed.

10c. Confirmation of Mayoral Appointment for Dan F. Havener, Director of Development.

Motion by Mrs. Kelly, Second by Mrs. DeBrock. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". Appointment Confirmed.

LEGISLATION REQUIRING ONE READING

ORDINANCE SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT (#163009) to operate an eating establishment located at 1765 Brice Road, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 43068. No Liquor, 6 mo. Follow up AND DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. --- Clemens. Service.

Motion by Mr. Clemens, Second by Mr. Cotner Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 92-13

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH FOR MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. Kelly Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 93-13

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CITY INSURANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.---Cotner. Finance

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mr. Clemens. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 94-13

ORDINANCE REQUESTING COUNCIL AUTHORIZE AUDITOR TO MAKE THE 2014 HSA PAYMENTS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. Kelly. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 95-13

ORDINANCE REQUESTING COUNCIL TRANSFER \$23,636.40 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED STREETScape FUND (440) TO THE BRICE MAIN TIF FUND (971) AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. DeBrock. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 96-13

ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE ORDINANCE 87-13 ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SPONSORSHIP FUNDS TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mr. Long. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett “Aye”, Leslie Kelly “Aye”, Cornelius McGrady, III. “Aye”, Mel Clemens “Aye”, Barth R. Cotner “Aye”, Chris Long “Aye”, Monica DeBrock “Aye”. 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 97-13

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 143.01 “COMPENSATION” OF CHAPTER 143 DEPARTMENT OF CITY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY---Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mr. Barrett. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett “Aye”, Leslie Kelly “Aye”, Cornelius McGrady, III. “Nay”, Mel Clemens “Aye”, Barth R. Cotner “Aye”, Chris Long “Aye”, Monica DeBrock “Aye”. 6 Affirm 1 Negative Ordinance 98-13

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF DESIGN PROFESSIONALS PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 153.65-153.71.--- Clemens. Service. Second Reading stands, returns to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS AMONG VARIOUS GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.(needs to pass on second reading) --- Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. DeBrock. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett “Aye”, Leslie Kelly “Aye”, Cornelius McGrady, III. “Aye”, Mel Clemens “Aye”, Barth R. Cotner “Aye”, Chris Long “Aye”, Monica DeBrock “Aye”. 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 99-13

ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS AMONG VARIOUS ENTERPRISE FUNDS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. (needs to pass on second reading)--- Cotner. Finance.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. Kelly. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett “Aye”, Leslie Kelly “Aye”, Cornelius McGrady, III. “Aye”, Mel Clemens “Aye”, Barth R. Cotner “Aye”, Chris Long “Aye”, Monica DeBrock “Aye”. 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 100-13

LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR REYNOLDSBURG TO HANDLE SNOW REMOVAL AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN COLUMBUS CITY LIMITS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Long. Safety.

Motion by Mr. Cotner, Second by Mrs. Kelly. Roll as follows: Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye", Monica DeBrock "Aye". 7 Affirm 0 Negative Ordinance 101-13

Mr. Joseph: Being the last meeting of the year in an election we often see changing of the guard with members of Council and other elected officials and I'm going to just open it up now for any one here who would like to make some remarks about Councilwoman DeBrock, this will be her last meeting as a member of Council.

Mr. Barrett: I just want to thank Mrs. DeBrock for her service and stepping up. It's a tough job and you've handled it very well and very passionately and I think you represented your city very well.

Mrs. DeBrock: Thank you.

Mrs. Kelly: I met Monica I think it was 6 years ago, it might have been a little bit longer and I remember the dedication, the fierceness that you give to everything that you believe in and at that time it was your child and you brought that same dedication and fierce loyalty and passion for everything you took on here and I admire you're commitment and dedication to make Reynoldsburg a better place for everybody. It has been an absolute pleasure.

Mr. Clemens: Monica and I have served on other committees together and have agreed and disagreed but you do a wonderful job and I appreciate serving with you. Gonna Miss you.

Mr. Cotner: I have a feeling we're not going to miss her actually so...

Mr. Clemens: that's true, I was afraid of that.

(group laughing)

Mr. Cotner: But I think that this year has actually renewed her passion for this City and I think we're going to see a lot more from her and I look forward to the intensity that she will bring because I'm without a doubt 100% why she's doing what she does. It is about this city and the people of Reynoldsburg. Like you said we'll agree to disagree sometimes and I know Monica and I will continue to have some of those, but at our hearts, both of us are 100% for Reynoldsburg and therefore I will support her all day long and I appreciate everything that she has done and will continue to do so, so thank you.

Mrs. DeBrock: Thank you.

Mr. McGrady: Yeah I just want to thank you for allowing me the opportunity to interact with you this past year and get to know you better. I had heard your name numerous times within the city but I never put the name with the face and I'll be reaching out to you as the youth and I move forward for our 2015 Human Trafficking Conference. We're working on a theme right now, same thing with you Dan, I think you'll find it very interesting, I'll lean on both of you for your expertise and to partake in the panel. Thank you.

Mr. Long: Monica, you and I never did see eye to eye. I'm kidding, on many things, but one thing that everybody needs to understand that it takes guts to sit up here because you wake up every morning believing honestly that half the city is mad at you.

Mrs. DeBrock: Only half?

Mr. Long: There were some times where it was even more than that, but when you get into the aspect, it really takes a special individual to step forward to get off the couch, out of the easy chair, and to make the decision to go ahead and serve the people. She came in it with the right attitude, and anybody that comes up here and thinks that we're all going to join hands and sing koombyah and get along is just kidding themselves. But you always did have the city in your best interest.

Mrs. DeBrock: Thank you.

Mr. Joseph: I was gonna say that Councilwoman DeBrock is part of a select member up here along with myself and Mr. Cotner who came here via appointment. I know sometimes, whenever you're thrown into this position after not even having been engaged in a campaign prior to that, the learning curve is a lot narrower, steeper and I just want to say you did a fantastic job when the times you had to step up as the acting chair of Community Development, you did that I think earlier than most newbies up here and did a great job. You're always ready to engage the whole council on the issues that dealt with that committee so I think you did a great job. I also think that the skillset you brought to council really helped deal with a lot of different issues during your time here so I want to thank you for your service here as well. And feel free to make any comments you'd like to make.

Mrs. DeBrock: I appreciate all of the support. I enjoyed my year and the year and service as a Council member, no I won't go away. I think that Councilman Barrett says it really well, we are at a crossroad and I don't like the numbers we're seeing and I really believe in our community and I believe everyone up on this council and all of the administration in the city truly believes that we can see a better tomorrow. I think that's why everyone is passionate and continues to work so hard. I know I probably ruffled a few feathers and I hope I asked tough questions and I hope we keep asking them and we try to find the answers. There's not a book of 101 how can we turn our city around and I think we're just going to have to put everyone's heads together and I think we will, we will be a community that will shine brightly in central Ohio, but it's going to take a lot of hard work and it's going to take revenue. So Thank you and I appreciate all of the support and allowing me to voice my concerns. Thanks.

(Applause)

Mr. Joseph: The only other announcement I have is that again, I'm going to note that in 2 weeks we will be having a swearing in ceremony in these chambers at 7 p.m. for any 2013 city elected officials that choose to participate. The county auditor Clarence Mingo will be conducting that ceremony. So I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Adjournment 8:38 p.m.

Chris Long, President Pro Tempore

April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council