

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, December 9, 2013

President of Council Doug Joseph called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

The Invocation was given by President Joseph who then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting held 11/25/2013

Approval of Agenda.

Additions:

10a. Date change for the final Council meeting of December.

Motion by Mr. Long to move the final regular Council meeting of December 23rd, 2013, to immediately follow the Committee meeting on December 16th, 2013. Second by Mr. Clemens. Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

16a. Special Exception Use Permit. Mr. Clemens would like Committee Review.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

Norm Brusk: 1861 Crosswick Court. Mr. Brusk respectfully requests Council and Administration to schedule a Town Hall Meeting to be held in January or early February with all of the elected officials. He feels it would be useful and that upon speaking with neighbors and friends they feel it's a good idea.

COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS

The Council meeting, if approved will be moved from the 23rd to the 16th but on the 30th there will be a swearing ceremony at 7pm for elected officials that will be taking office that will be present, the Auditor and Council at Large. The swearing in will be conducted by Franklin County Auditor Clarence Mingo.

MOTIONS

That Reynoldsburg City Council does hereby re-appoint Kara Joseph, 9250 Huggins Lane, Reynoldsburg, to the Income Tax Board of Review for the term January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2016.—Cotner. Finance.

Motion to approve the appointment of Kara Joseph to the Income Tax Board of Review by Mr. Cotner.

Second by Councilwoman Kelly.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7affirm, 0 negative, appointment approved.

Item 10b. That date for the final Council Meeting in December be moved from December 23rd to December 16th Immediately following the Committee Meeting.

Motion to approve the move by Mr. Long.

Second by Mr. Barrett.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7affirm, 0 negative, appointment approved.

LEGISLATION REQUIRING ONE READING

11. ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2014 INTERIM BUDGET AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance.

Move to adopt with Recommendation for adoption as an emergency by Mr. Cotner.

Mrs. DeBrock: I would like to make a motion for this item to be referred back to committee for further discussion.

Mr. Joseph: Is there a second to refer the item back to Finance Committee. Seeing that there is no second that motion fails. Did you have anything further?

Mrs. DeBrock: yes, I have concerns, we have a Development Department that has basically insufficient funds to do any economic re-development and even though our budget is extremely tight, I think it's very important we begin discussion and let the community be aware that we cannot move forward if we continue running the city as we do today, then we shouldn't expect any changes. We shouldn't expect to see new development and increase business opportunities. So I'd like to see some more funds directed into the Development Department, very tight since Reynoldsburg administration has done a great job keeping costs down, but I think it's time to make some very tough decisions I would suggest that the fireworks is defunded until the city has more finances, more revenue. I know this is not a popular decision or topic but for me, having the community have 2 hours of fun and enjoyment, I understand it's quality of life but, I think at some point we actually start taking care of the basics, making sure that all of our infrastructure is taken care of that we are going out and we are trying to revitalize some of our business community. Without making those changes, problems that we

have in this community will only continue and potentially get worse. Some of the other things that I've noticed is that we spend \$100,000 more on overtime than Gahanna. Gahanna has about the same police force, so the question is why are we at, why do we have more, is there a reason. Do we have more difficulties in our city and because of that I think that some line items need to be shuffled around so that the Development Department can see a few funds so that we can try to start making improvements. Thank you.

Mr. Joseph: So then your motion would be to eliminate the Fireworks line item in the budget?

Mrs. DeBrock: Correct.

Mr. Joseph: Ok, is there a second to that motion. Ok seeing none, that motion also fails. Anything further?

Mrs. DeBrock: No.

Mr. Joseph: Ok we have a motion to pass this item by Councilman Cotner, Second by Councilman Long. Any discussion?

Mr. Barrett: I just want to take a minute. I don't think I fully realized that you were going to entertain those motions tonight so I feel for you hanging out there. I just think if anything this would be a finance committee discussion in detail. Going back I just want to re-state that I'm not going to support any interim budget on any level at any time. I think that's not a way to run a city. I won't be voting for this. Thank you.

Mr. Joseph: any other comments or discussion on item 11? Seeing none, Clerk please call the roll:

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Nay", Scott Barrett "Nay", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

5 affirm 2 negative, Ordinance 86-13

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

Move to adopt with Recommendation for adoption as an emergency by Mr. Cotner.
Second by Councilman Clemens.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7 affirmative 0 negative Ordinance 87-13

13. ORDINANCE REQUESTING COUNCIL TRANSFER \$250,000 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED GENERAL FUND (110) TO GENERAL DEBT RETIREMENT FUND (310) AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.--- Cotner. Finance.

Move to adopt with Recommendation for adoption as an emergency by Mr. Cotner.
Second by Councilman McGrady.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7 affirmative 0 negative Ordinance 88-13

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

14. ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF DESIGN PROFESSIONALS PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 153.65-153.71.--- Clemens. Service.

Stands for first reading, referred back to committee.

15. ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS AMONG VARIOUS GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. .--- Cotner. Finance.

Stands for first reading, referred back to committee.

16. ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS AMONG VARIOUS ENTERPRISE FUNDS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. .--- Cotner. Finance.

Stands for first reading, referred back to committee.

16a. Requesting Special Exception Use Permit (#163009) to operate an eating establishment located at 1765 Brice Rd. Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068.

Mr. Clemens: I'd like this to stand as a first reading and refer it to Service Committee.

Stands for first reading, referred to committee.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

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

Stands for second reading, referred back to committee.

18. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Subsection (C) of Section 945.02 "Rate Schedule" of Chapter 945 SEWER CHARGES AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. ---Cotner. Finance. (needs to

pass on second reading)

Move to adopt with Recommendation for adoption as an emergency by Mr. Cotner.
Second by Councilman Clemens.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7 affirmative 0 negative Ordinance 89-13

19. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Subsection (a) of Section 953.01 "Water Rate Schedule" of Chapter 953 WATER CHARGES AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. ---Cotner. Finance.
(needs to pass on second reading)

Move to adopt with Recommendation for adoption as an emergency by Mr. Cotner.
Second by Councilman McGrady.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7 affirmative 0 negative Ordinance 90-13

LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING

20. ORDINANCE TO REQUEST COUNCIL TRANSFER \$2,693.00 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED FEMA FUND (201) TO THE STREET FUND (260) REVENUE ACCOUNT 260.000.4922 PROPERTY DAMAGE REIMBURSEMENT. THIS WAS MONEY PAID TO THE CITY FOR LAST YEAR'S WIND EVENT. --- Cotner. Finance

Move to adopt by Mr. Cotner.
Second by Councilman Long.

Roll as follows: Monica DeBrock "Aye", Scott Barrett "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", and Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye".

7 affirmative 0 negative Ordinance 91-13

Adjournment 7:50 p.m.

Doug Joseph, President of Council

April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council