

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
November 26, 2012

President of Council Doug Joseph called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

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

The Invocation was given by Councilman Cotner. Mr. Joseph led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held November 13, 2012 were held until the next meeting as they were not yet completed.

Mr. Joseph said he had three items to add to the agenda: the first would be a Motion for appointment of Director of Parks and Recreation, which would be Item 10a. All voted "Aye". Mr. McGrady said he would like to hold the item as he had additional information to review for consideration, or was it a done deal. Mr. Joseph said he would be adding an Executive Session prior to that for discussion and Mr. McGrady could discuss his items at that point. Mr. McGrady said thank you.

Mr. Joseph said there would be addition of two Executive Sessions - first would be Item 9a at the request of Councilman Long for discussion of employment of a public employee - all elected officials attending. All voted "Aye". The Second Executive Session at the end of the agenda, Item 39, would be to review collective bargaining strategy - all elected officials attending; and a request by Councilman Long to discuss employment of a public employee - members of Council attending. All voted "Aye".

Community Comments and Requests: Lori Johnson, 7331 Victoria Court, said she had lived in Reynoldsburg for over fifty years, and that she was present, as were some others, to bring to the attention of Council, the Mayor, and the Chief of Police, their disagreement with recent change by the new Police Department Administration concerning term limits on special assignments, to include the position of School Resource Officer. Ms. Johnson read a prepared statement, which is on file in the Clerk of Council's office. Mr. Joseph noted that the action was that of the Administration and not Council. Mayor McCloud said the action was an internal personnel decision that he had discussed at length with the Chief; and that the SRO was not the only one subject to the new policy. Chief O'Neill said the decision had not been made lightly; there had been input from the Mayor, the Safety Director, eight Sergeants, and one Lieutenant. Chief O'Neill said, "We had decided that given the stagnant nature of the upward mobility available to our officers within our department, that one way that we could sort of reward our officers for a job well done was to allow some internal movement. The only way to have this happen was to establish some kind of term limits. This discussion and this decision took place within a few weeks after I was sworn in as Chief of Police and we were up against a rather rigid time frame for us to implement this if we wanted to have this happen. I know the timing of it wasn't optimum, but due to contractual restraints that we have with regards to assigning our officers to their shifts for the upcoming year, we were required to make this move on relatively short notice, in order to not disrupt the schedule in the middle of the year and possibly penalize the outgoing School

Resource Officer to the point where she would be placed on a shift that would not fit into either her family or her lifestyle. It's done by, our contract is how we select them and we do very rigorously evaluate those officers that apply for a position; we do assure that they are the best-trained and the best-performing officers available; again, that's by contract how we select these, but we do take quite a bit of time making sure that the people that we put into these positions are a good fit for these positions. In fact, we've even contacted the school and for our new D.A.R.E. Officer, the school did send a representative for our interview panel so they had input as to which one of the officers get selected. If there's any other questions, that sort of addresses the time frame that we were looking at and why the change had to be made mid-year."

Mrs. Kelly asked if the school district had been a part of the conversations, or had they been at the table for conversations changing the SRO, how that would happen, the timeline, and who would be coming in. Chief O'Neill said the school district wasn't notified ahead of time, but was notified the day that the decision was made; that he had spoken directly with the School Superintendent, who understood the policy and didn't have any question nor any direct feedback where he or anyone else in the schools opposed it. Mrs. Kelly asked if the replacement had been selected. Chief O'Neill said, "Yes. And again, as the Mayor alluded, we currently have eleven positions that are police officer rank that are considered non-patrol positions. Seven of them are detectives; there's two School Resource Officers; one D.A.R.E. Officer, and we've recently started a motorcycle unit and that officer, he's got enough ancillary duties where he wasn't considered a patrol officer, although a good measure of his time is going to be spent on the road doing patrol-type function; he's going to look, for all intent and purposes, like a patrol officer on a motorcycle, but his duties are significantly different, so he's added to the other ten to make eleven of these positions. Some of them, the term limits are yet to be determined, just because of the nature of some of our detective assignments; they probably need a little bit more than a three-year window in order to become trained and proficient and effective at what they do. Three of the Sergeants that we have working right now were former School Resource Officers and they all agreed that while it's maybe not ideal, that the School Resource Officer could be replaced in the middle of the year without a major disruption and, in fact, we just included that when we added a second School Resource Officer, so, you know, we've gone through this mid-year before; there's a bit of a learning curve, but it's much less for a School Resource Officer than it would be for a D.A.R.E. Officer, or a detective." Mrs. Kelly asked if there was a transition plan to help the new SRO. Chief O'Neill said that question should be asked of the Patrol Lieutenant, who was the one that handles the internal training, but that was certainly worth considering, and thought that something like that could be put into effect. Mrs. Kelly said she would encourage that it be done. Mr. Joseph thanked the Chief.

Mr. Joseph said there would be a special Council meeting following the committee meetings on December 3, 2012 for the purpose of an Executive Session to discuss appointment of a public official.

Request for an Executive Session for discussion of employment of a public employee - - Mr. Long moved to recess for the Executive Session; Mr. Barrett seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed. Mr. Joseph said those attending would be

all elected officials. Council recessed at 7:50 p.m.

Council reconvened at 7:57 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Long "Present"; Mr. Barrett "Present"; Mrs. Kelly "Present"; Mr. McGrady "Present"; Mr. Clemens "Present"; Mr. Cotner "Present".

Motion for the appointment of Director of Parks and Recreation: Mr. Long moved that the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg does hereby approve the Mayor's appointment of Joseph W. Brown as Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Reynoldsburg. Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed.

ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT OF CONTRACTED ELECTRICAL SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 79-12 adopted.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,840,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF IMPROVING MAIN STREET AND BRICE ROAD BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY SIDEWALK, CURBING, AND PAVEMENT REMOVAL, CONSTRUCTING CONCRETE AND BRICK SIDEWALKS, WATER AND STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS, MASONRY SCREENING, TREE PITS, FRAMES AND GRATES, NEW CURBING AND PAVEMENT AND PROVIDING STREET LIGHTING, SIGNAGE, OVERHEAD POWER SERVICE LINE RELOCATION, TREE PLANTING, AND LANDSCAPING, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.- - Clerk read Fiscal Officer's Certificate, and then read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Long moved adoption. Mr. Cotner seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 80-12 adopted.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$5,850,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF REFUNDING BONDS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF IMPROVING (A) MAIN STREET BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY SIDEWALK, CURBING, AND PAVEMENT REMOVAL, CONSTRUCTING CONCRETE AND BRICK SIDEWALKS, WATER AND STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS, MASONRY SCREENING, TREE PITS, FRAMES AND GRATES, NEW CURBING AND PAVEMENT AND PROVIDING STREET LIGHTING, SIGNAGE, OVERHEAD POWER SERVICE LINE RELOCATION, TREE PLANTING, AND LANDSCAPING, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO

AND (B) TAYLOR ROAD BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY GRADING, DRAINING, RECONSTRUCTING, PAVING, CURBING, INSTALLING STORM SEWERS AND ACQUIRING RIGHT-OF-WAY THEREFOR, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.- -Clerk read Fiscal Officer's Certificate, and then read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Long moved adoption. Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 81-12 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GPD GROUP FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH W.E. STILSON CONSULTING GROUP, LLC FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE MANNIK & SMITH GROUP, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN STRUCTUREPOINT, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WATCON CONSULTING ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS, LLC FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH STRAND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CT CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EMH&T FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH M E COMPANIES, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH S & ME, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ORCHARD, HILTZ, & McCLIMENT, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RESOURCE INTERNATIONAL, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DLZ OHIO, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ASEBROOK & CO. FOR THE YEAR 2013- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REVISED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO FOR THE YEARS 2013 THROUGH 2017- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE TO MAKE AN INTERIM APPROPRIATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first time. Item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR DRINKING WATER LABORATORY ANALYTICAL SERVICES- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading; item referred to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 160.02 "AUTHORIZED POSITIONS, PERSONNEL, CLASSIFICATION AND PAY GRADE" Subsection (a) "Administrative"; Subsection (e) "Parks & Recreation Department"; and deletes SECTION 160.03 "SALARY SCHEDULE" Subsection (c) "Part Time Employee" of CHAPTER 160 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Finance Committee.

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- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading; item referred to Finance Committee.

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- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE BIG WALNUT WATERSHED COORDINATOR PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY FRANKLIN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT IN COORDINATION WITH AND SUPPORT FROM MORPC, CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS, AND THE STATE WATERSHED PROGRAMS WITH ODNR AND OHIO EPA; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the third reading. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 82-12 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ITEMS ON FIXED ASSET LIST FOR AUCTION; AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF MONIES RECEIVED FROM SALE OF ITEMS- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the third reading. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Cotner seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 83-12 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR REDESIGN OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG WEB SITE- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the third reading. Mr. Long moved to amend the ordinance to the redraft date of 11-21-12. Mr. Barrett seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; ordinance amended. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Barrett seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 84-12 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT, and FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH for HEALTH SERVICES- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the third reading. Mr. Long moved adoption. Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Barrett "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. McGrady "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 85-12 adopted.

Request by Councilman Long for an Executive Session to discuss employment of a public

employee, and to review collective bargaining strategy- -Mr. Long moved to recess for the Executive Session. Mrs. Kelly seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Long “Yea”; Mr. Barrett “Yea”; Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. McGrady “Yea”; Mr. Clemens “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”. Motion passed. Mr. Joseph said those attending would be all elected officials; that Council would reconvene for purposes of adjournment only. Council recessed at 8:17 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:54 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Long “Present”; Mr. Barrett “Present”; Mrs. Kelly “Present”; Mr. McGrady “Present”; Mr. Clemens “Present”; Mr. Cotner “Present”.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Doug Joseph, President of Council

Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council