

MINUTES COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
June 9, 2014

President Pro Tempore of Council Chris Long called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members of Council present: Dan Skinner, Esq., Leslie Kelly, Cornelius McGrady, III., Mel Clemens, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long.

Approval of minutes of regular Council meeting held May 27, 2014.

Approval of Agenda

Community Comments and Requests:

Kurt Keljo, 1306 N. Jackson Ave: First of all I'm so grateful that you all passed the Senior Center Parking lot, so thank you for that, but tonight I want to talk about taxes. You all have been talking about that for a very long time. I haven't been talking about it but I have a few more thoughts. One is, you all are in agreement about one thing, we need more revenue. I truly believe that everybody up there agrees with that and the only question is about what that revenue is for. It seems to me that the revenue is not for something new that the city needs to do, it's for what we're doing now and what we need to do. The city has been cutting corners in a lot of ways for a long time and it's not about something new and different, it's about doing what we need to do. It seems to me that the city has been losing income for a long time. We've been growing as a city and if it's true, that 80% of the people in the city work outside the city, that means we've been taking in people and only getting 20% more taxes from the people coming in. We've had more people to serve, more area to serve, so we're not trying to get more money, we're trying to keep up with what's going on. And it seems to me if you divided it into just 2 options, either you're going to increase the taxes on the people that work here, or you're going to decrease the credits on the people that work somewhere else, just those 2 options. Basically, let the citizens know that. On the ballot, you say, Ok, what do you want to do. If you want to do this- do this, if you don't we're going to do the other and it's as simple as that. If you put that into legislation, put it in legislation, if you just need to have legislation prepared before the ballot, let the citizens decide. We need income, where is it going to come from, you decide. And it's not, again, to do new projects, just for us to cover the costs of being a city. That's what we need to do. Thanks.

Mr. Long: Thank you sir. Any questions for Mr. Keljo? Thank you.

Communications: None

Reports: None

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 55-02 PASSED JUNE 24, 2002 TO REFLECT CHANGES OF DESCRIPTION OF AN AREA IN THE CITY TO PHASE VI, VII, AND VIII, AND ADDITION OF PHASES IX THROUGH XI OF THE SIDEWALK PROGRAM.---Long. Safety.

Mr. Long: this item comes from the Safety Committee, I would like for it to stand for its first reading and be referred back to committee.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Section 759.06 "License" OF CHAPTER 759 SECONDHAND DEALERS. (1st reading 5/27/2014)--- Cotner. Finance.

Mr. Cotner: this item comes from the Finance Committee, I would like for it to stand for its second reading and be return to committee please.

Mr. Long: This item will stand for its second reading and be referred back to committee.

LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING

A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE PROVISION OF SECTION 971.16 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES FOR THE 2014 TOMATO FESTIVAL. (2nd reading 05/27/2014).- -- Kelly. Community Development.

Mrs. Kelly: This comes from the Community Development Committee with a recommendation for adoption and I so move.

Mr. Long: Mrs. Kelly moves for adoption, second by Mr. Clemens.

Assistant Clerk called the roll: Dan Skinner "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Nay", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye". Motion passes, ordinance 39-14.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COMMERCIAL FITNESS SOLUTIONS, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF RECONDITIONED TREADMILLS. (2nd reading 05/27/2014).---Long. Safety.

Mr. Long: This comes from the Safety Committee with a recommendation for adoption and I so move. Second by Mr. Skinner.

Assistant Clerk called the roll: Dan Skinner "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye". Motion passes, ordinance 40-14.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO PURCHASE ONE DURACO DURAPATCHER FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (2nd reading 05/27/2014).--- Long. Safety.

Mr. Long: This comes from the Safety Committee with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency and I so move. Second by Mr. McGrady.

Assistant Clerk called the roll: Dan Skinner "Aye", Leslie Kelly "Aye", Cornelius McGrady, III. "Aye", Mel Clemens "Aye", Barth R. Cotner "Aye", Chris Long "Aye". Motion passes, ordinance 41-14.

ADJOURNMENT 7:37 p.m.

Doug Joseph, President of Council

April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council