

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 28, 2011

President of Council William L. Hills called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members of Council present: Fred Deskins, Jr., Leslie Kelly, Doug Joseph, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Nathan Burd. Councilman Mel Clemens was absent.

The Invocation was given by Mr. Hills, who also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held February 14, 2011 were approved without objection.
Minutes of the special Council meeting held February 22, 2011 were approved without objection.

The agenda was approved.

Community Comments and Requests:

- a. State Representative Anne Gonzales - presentation to Parks and Recreation Dept.

Mr. Hills: We do have a speaker tonight. I will note, so that the audience is aware, the Mayor called me about a half hour ago and explained that he is ill this evening and he will not be here. So that's probably, the Mayor would usually sit down here in front, but he is not here this evening, but under Community Comments is State Representative Anne Gonzales making a presentation to the Parks and Recreation Department. Representative Gonzales, would you please come forward. Please, anybody wanting to take pictures, feel free to come up right in front of here. You're not going to disturb, and as we do the other awards this evening, please don't hesitate to come up where you can get a good picture rather than having to take the side shots. It's not going to offend anyone. Yes, Representative.

Representative Gonzales: Well, thank you. It's an honor to be here this evening among many of my friends that I see. It is also, I'm quite honored to be here considering that Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department beat out Westerville, I was the former Mayor of Westerville, for the Governor's Award; and I have a Proclamation that I'd like to present to you this evening and Jason Shamblin, I don't know, is he here? No? All right.

Mr. Hills: I believe there was a death in his family.

Representative Gonzales: So I guess you get to receive this on his behalf.

Mr. Hills: I'd be happy to take it on his behalf as a representative of the city from Parks and Rec.

Representative Gonzales: I'll just read this briefly: "On behalf of the Members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to congratulate the Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department on winning first place in the Environmental Programming category, and the Governor's Award, at the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association's 2010 Annual Awards of Excellence. These prestigious honors are a fitting tribute to the Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department for the success of its Livingston Community Garden, a joint venture with Truro Township. The Department has attained a remarkable record of service to the area and its accomplishments are a justifiable source of pride and an outstanding reflection not only on the agency itself, but on its astute management, on its hardworking staff, and on the community. The Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department has enhanced the quality of life within the surrounding area and its generous contributions have earned it the gratitude and respect of many. We are certain that as this worthy agency maintains its dedication to service, it will continue the tradition of excellence that has become its hallmark. Thus, with sincere pleasure, we commend the Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department on its recent accolades and extend best wishes for the future."

Mr. Hills: Thank you very much, Representative Gonzales. We appreciate that and I'm sure Council appreciates the fact that we've been recognized for the Parks and Recreation Program, so...

Representative Gonzales: Thank you.

Reports:

- a. Chief Suci - Presentation of Awards for 2010

Chief Suci: Thank you President Hills, members of Council. It is my honor and privilege to make several award presentations here at City Council this evening. At the end of each calendar year, the Reynoldsburg Police Department's Awards Committee reviews nominations for various departmental awards and at this time, Lieutenants McKinley and O'Neill and I would like to present several awards, so they may be recognized not only by the Reynoldsburg Police Department, but also by City Council, the City Administration, and the citizens present here this evening. We have many outstanding employees here at the Reynoldsburg Police Department and also some citizens who were willing to assist us with our endeavors who, without their assistance, we would be unable to perform our duties as easy as we can. Contrary to what our Governor said regarding a law enforcement Officer just doing his job, I hope you'll agree with me that we have many fine men and women in law enforcement and I personally believe that it's not a very good idea for any elected official to refer to a law enforcement Officer as an idiot. That's just me. Maybe not do it while you're being recorded also. So with that being said, we do have a couple awards that we're going to give to civilians and Police Officers. (See attached Award Presentation list)

Mr. Hills: Thank you, Chief. Questions or comments? Chief, we thank you and all of your

Officers for your efforts and I'm not going to comment about the Police stuff.

Chief Suci: I didn't think you would.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 2011 STREET PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Joseph seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 3-11 adopted.

ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATION TO COVER COSTS OF PREPARING PRINTS AND COPIES OF EXHIBITS AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS FOR THE 2011 STREET PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Burd seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 4-11 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT (dba Franklin County Public Health) and VECTOR DISEASE CONTROL INTERNATIONAL, LLC FOR INTEGRATED MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Joseph moved adoption; Mr. Long seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 5-11 adopted.

ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN THE SAFETY/SERVICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE FURNITURE/FIXTURES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE KIOSK, AND PANELS AND CONNECTORS TO UPGRADE SECOND FLOOR AREA- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Mr. Long moved to suspend CRC Section 4.04 three reading rule. Mr. Joseph seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; three reading rule suspended. Mr. Long moved adoption; Mr. Cotner seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 6-11 adopted.

Request for Executive Session to review collective bargaining strategy.- -Mr. Long moved to recess for Executive Session; Mr. Cotner seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long " Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed. Mr. Hills said those attending would be all elected officials and the Clerk of Council; that Council would reconvene at the conclusion of the session. Council recessed for Executive Session at 8:01 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:15 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Deskins "Present"; Mrs. Kelly "Present"; Mr. Joseph "Present"; Mr. Cotner "Present"; Mr. Long "Present"; Mr. Burd "Present".

Mr. Hills: Okay, we have retired from Executive Session and we've been in discussions on, for the purpose of collective bargaining. I'd like to turn this over to Councilman Deskins.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you, President Hills. I would like to add an ordinance for Council regarding the United Steel Workers Contract and I'd like to move to waive Committee referral.

Mr. Hills: Councilman Deskins moves to waive the mandatory Committee referral. Seconded by Mr. Joseph.

With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; mandatory Committee referral rule waived.

Clerk read ordinance by title: ORDINANCE REJECTING PROPOSED CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG AND THE UNITED STEEL WORKERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Mr. Deskins move adoption. Mr. Joseph seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Deskins "Yea"; Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mr. Long "Yea"; Mr. Burd "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 7-11 adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

William L. Hills, President of Council

Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council