

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 21, 2012 Tuesday

Members of Community Development Committee present: Leslie Kelly, Nathan Burd, Cornelius McGrady III. Councilman Scott A. Barrett was absent.

Other members of Council present: Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Council President Doug Joseph. Councilman Mel Clemens was absent.

Mrs. Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The agenda was approved.

Minutes of the Community Development Committee meeting held February 6, 2012 were approved without objection.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: ADDITION of SECTION 971.40 "Approval by Council; Director's Powers" TO CHAPTER 971 MUNICIPAL PARKS- -Mrs. Kelly moved to send ordinance to Council for the second reading. Mr. Burd seconded. All voted "Aye".

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH BRICKMAN GROUP FOR ONE YEAR FOR MAINTENANCE OF MAIN STREET CORRIDOR REVITALIZATION LANDSCAPING- -Mrs. Kelly moved to send ordinance to Council for the second reading. Mr. Burd seconded. All voted "Aye".

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Community Development
- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council
February 21, 2012 Tuesday

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

(Safety Committee met as Committee of the Whole)
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 21, 2012 Tuesday

Members of Safety Committee present: Cornelius McGrady III, Nathan Burd. Councilmen Mel Clemens and Scott A. Barrett were absent.

Other members of Council present: Leslie Kelly, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Council President Doug Joseph.

Mr. McGrady called the Safety Committee to order at 7:32 p.m. as Committee of the Whole as there was not a quorum present.

The agenda was approved.

Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting held February 6, 2012 were approved without objection.

Discussion: Authorization of contract for 2012 4th of July fireworks display- -Mayor McCloud said the request was for authoring the contract; that the funds were contained in the budget. Mr. McGrady moved to send an ordinance authorizing the contract to Council for the first reading. Mr. Burd seconded. All voted "Aye".

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Safety Committee (Committee of the Whole)
- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council
February 21, 2012 Tuesday

SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 21, 2012 Tuesday

Members of Service Committee present: Barth R. Cotner, Leslie Kelly, Cornelius McGrady III. Councilman Scott A. Barrett was absent.

Other members of Council present: Chris Long, Nathan Burd, Council President Doug Joseph. Councilman Mel Clemens was absent.

Mr. Cotner called the Service Committee meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The agenda was approved.

Minutes of the Service Committee meeting held February 6, 2012 were approved without objection.

Discussion: Amend Zoning Code Fees- - *on 2-6-2012 item held for two weeks.*

Mr. Cotner moved to send an ordinance amending the zoning code fees to Council for the first reading. Mr. McGrady seconded. All voted "Aye".

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Service Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

February 21, 2012 Tuesday

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL

February 21, 2012 Tuesday

Members of Finance Committee present: Chris Long, Nathan Burd, Barth R. Cotner, Leslie Kelly. Councilman Mel Clemens was absent.

Other members of Council present: Cornelius McGrady III, Council President Doug Joseph. Councilman Scott A. Barrett was absent.

Mr. Long called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

The agenda was approved.

Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held February 6, 2012 were approved without objection.

Discussion: Creation of Indigent Burial Policy- - -

Mayor McCloud: A little-known provision of the Ohio Revised Code requires that municipalities provide burial expenses for indigent persons that pass away within the municipality, and over the last couple years we've had an increasing number of these and each time it was kind of a 'recreate the wheel' as to how we're going to deal with this. So the City Attorney and the City Auditor kind of put together this policy so that we have something in place, and again this has been...this was drafted by the City Attorney with the input of the City Auditor, and I think that this would help streamline the process for when these events arise.

Mr. Long asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Joseph: Mayor, when you say we've had occasions when we've had this happen in the past, approximately what did the city have to expend for those burials, each time, on average.

City Auditor Harris: We...the reason for the policy coming forward, President Joseph, is - we've had, in the last six years, maybe one or two of these; people were calling on this. The last eighteen months, we've had an influx where we're getting one every couple of months, or every six weeks. We really didn't have anything in writing, and they would call the Mayor's office, they would call my office, they would call the City Attorney office, maybe the Council office, or everybody else, so having a policy where everybody was all on the same page so to speak, the amount of money on this - it's \$600 to dispose of the body, which is basically the cost of the cremation and taking the corpse to the crematory. It's been maybe \$600 a year, a \$1000 a year is all it's been, so it's not a major expense, but it's not good for people to call his office and get one story, my office get another story, the City Attorney's office and get a third story, so that's the reason for the policy; it's not that it's a major budgetary issue 'cause it's really not.

Mr. Joseph: If it ever becomes a major budgetary issue, how would the city handle that? I mean, is there a way to....like take out some type of insurance policy for this kind of thing, or have you given any long-range thought to that?

Mr. Harris: Since it hasn't been a problem for us, or the City of Columbus, they only get a handful of these a year, so it's...even for them it's not been a big thing, I don't know that...because to be

indigent, I mean, you can't have...you have to have assets worth less than six hundred bucks, and I don't think there's a lot of those people out there.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Long moved to send an ordinance to Council for the first reading; Mr. Burd seconded. All voted "Aye".

Discussion: Appropriation - Federal Forfeiture Fund- - Mayor McCloud said, "This legislative request is a request for an appropriation, a legal authorization to pay the invoices for this police vehicle and related expenses relative to this vehicle, which will become a member of the Police Department fleet."

Mr. Long: You're asking for an emergency on this?

Mayor McCloud: Yes, we are incurring daily storage charges on this.

Mr. Long moved to send an ordinance to Council with recommendation for adoption as an emergency measure. Mr. McGrady seconded. (Upon correction prior to the end of the meeting, since Mr. McGrady was not on the committee, Mr. Burd seconded the motion). All voted "Aye".

Discussion: Approve payment of invoices for police vehicle and related expenses- - Mr. Harris explained, "This is the same vehicle you just appropriated money for. These are from the Federal Forfeiture Fund, this is a vehicle that was seized in a drug-related incident that has been being held because it's been evidence. The reason this is a Then and Now - this has been incurring, as the Mayor said, storage fees every day; we can't turn in a purchase order on this on a regular basis 'cause we don't know when, or if ever, we're ever gonna get this, so when these things come about they become a Then and Now because there has been a liability if we want the vehicle there's been a liability assumed in this case they do want the liability; and a Then and Now under the Revised Code is when a purchase of goods and services made prior to the Auditor's certification of available funds, well, we couldn't certify the available funds until after this, because we didn't know if and when we were ever gonna get the vehicle, so it is a Then and Now. If it were under three thousand dollars I could sign off on it without Council approval, but since it's a little over three thousand dollars, we will need Council to approve the Then and Now."

Mr. Long moved to send an ordinance to Council with recommendation for adoption as an emergency measure. Mr. Burd seconded; all voted "Aye".

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE STATE OF OHIO FROM SEEKING TO TAKE CONTROL OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX COLLECTION- - Mr. Harris said, "This is the resolution for Council to..opposing the State of Ohio from seeking to take control of the Municipal Income Tax Collection, and we had this on a couple of weeks ago. If there's any questions for it, I'll be glad to answer any questions anybody has on it."

Mr. Long: And I think that you had asked that this be completed and able to be enacted by the end

of February?

Mr. Harris: If we could, that would be appreciated.

Mr. Long asked if there were any questions.

Mr. McGrady: Yes, I just want to refer back to Councilman Burd, who made a very good point. Is anyone going to monitor the actions downtown, where....you made reference to the fact that could be hidden into a bill, that we may not ever know about that. Is any legislative body monitoring that?

Mr. Harris: The Regional Income Tax Agency of which we are a member, the Ohio Municipal League, and about two hundred and seventy-five Tax Administrators all over the State are very much....the City of Columbus, the City of Cleveland, City of Cincinnati - there are a lot of people watching this. It doesn't necessarily mean that they can stop it; however, at this point, there has yet to be a piece of legislation written, and you can't put a piece of legislation in something unless you got it written.

Mr. McGrady: I understand.

Mr. Harris: But, yeah, there's a lot of people, including the Ohio Municipal League, and all the six agencies that collect income taxes, are watching this very closely, as are the major cities of Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Columbus, are all very interested to see that this does not happen.

Mr. McGrady: Thank you.

Mr. Burd: And as far as we know, the last few weeks, there have been no other developments?

Mr. Harris: No...everybody's out getting ready for the election, so there's not a lot going on downtown and certainly nothing of major consequence.

Mr. Burd: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Long moved to send the resolution to Council for the second reading with recommendation for adoption as an emergency measure. Mr. McGrady seconded. (Upon correction prior to the end of the meeting, since Mr. McGrady was not on the committee, Mrs. Kelly seconded the motion). All voted "Aye".

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH DONALD J. SCHONHARDT & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES- -
-Mr. Long moved to send ordinance to Council for the third reading with a recommendation for adoption; Mr. Burd seconded. All voted "Aye".

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Finance Committee

--Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council
February 21, 2012 Tuesday