

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
February 9, 2004

President Pro Tempore Lane J. Beougher called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members of Council present: Mel Clemens, Antoinette Newman, Ron Stake, Preston Stearns, Brett Baxter, Eric Gilbert, Mel Clemens.

The Invocation was given by Mr. Beougher. Mr. Beougher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the special Council meeting held January 20, 2004 were approved without objection. Minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 26, 2004 were approved without objection.

Mr. Stake removed Item #17, Ordinance making supplemental appropriation for AEP to move two switch cabinets (Streetscape Phase I), and return to committee. Mr. Stake moved to amend the agenda. The amended agenda was approved with all voting "Aye".

Community Comments and Requests- -Mr. G. Jerome DeCarlo Jr. was present. He thanked everyone who participated in the Martin Luther King Unity Celebration.

Communications- -Assistant Clerk read report from Clerk of Courts: total monies collected from courts held during January 2004, \$24,959.15. Monies also collected during that period pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 146-94 and 104-02- -\$1,084 for the Computerization Needs Fund and \$275 for the Enforcement and Education Fund.

Reports- -Mrs. Mary Hudson gave presentation of Annual Report of the Reynoldsburg Visitors Bureau. She stated that they are in the 13th year of business. She said at their annual meeting they discussed election of officers for 2004. She said they have seen an increase in leisure travel. She passed out a complete set of their year end financials. She said that they had a very successful Fitness Challenge. She said the by-laws were reviewed this year and she has included a copy to City Council for their information. She said that they received the resignation of Patty Law, as she is relocating to Cleveland. She said they welcomed Lane Beougher to the board as the Community Development Chair of Council. She said he serves as an Ad Hoc non-voting member, and takes the position previously held by Mrs. Sarah Cannella. She thanked Mrs. Cannella for all her years of service to the board. She said that they will be updating their web site soon. She said the 2004 calendar of events will be posted as soon as it is complete. She said that a group of CBB Directors from Columbus, Dublin, Worthington, Westerville, Grove City, Reynoldsburg, and Gahanna have formed the Capital Area Tourism Alliance (CATA). She said the mission for the organization is to be an advocate for tourism, use their collective voice to be of influence within the political structure, influence with any industry, and collaborative marketing efforts that will benefit tourism in the greater Columbus area. She said that she was elected president for 2004. She said the Central Ohio Heritage Circle had a very successful 2003. She said they produced a new two year visitors guide and won a media award for the Ohio Association of Visitors Bureaus for their 2002-2003 brochure, "Things To Do". She said it is presented for excellence in tourism marketing. She said the COHC also produces a package travel planner. She said they had a successful bicentennial celebration with the arrival and encampment of the bicentennial wagon train in Civic Park. She thanked Paul Walsh and his department for their help in making this a memorable Reynoldsburg event. She said that they also have Tartan Day,

Pontiac Nationals, Taste of Reynoldsburg, Mopar, Livingston House summer lawn concerts, Mt. Carmel Fitness Challenge, Cancer Society Relay For Life, Tomato Festival, Christmas on the Town, and the Holiday Tour of Homes. She said they are working with CMC Communications to produce a new community map and guide. She said the American Cancer Society will be having another event this summer. She said last year they raised over \$5,000. She thanked City Council for their continued support.

Mr. Stake asked Mrs. Hudson if they are able to operate the Visitors Bureau adequately with the funds they have now? Mrs. Hudson said yes. She said the increase that City Council gave the percentage, allowed them to be able to financially help out with some of the activities. Mr. Stake asked Mrs. Hudson if they are having any problems with any of the hotels or motels paying their bed tax at this time? Mrs. Hudson said they have been fortunate with Brenda Browning and the Auditor. She said they are really great about keeping a close tab on it. She said for a while, there was a problem with a couple of them. She said Brenda and Howard Whitney have done a wonderful job on keeping on top of it. She said over the last six months, there has not been a problem at all.

Acting Mayor William L. Hills stated that he wants to make sure that Council understands about the budget. He said possibly they were expecting a memo from Mr. Stake on the budget in their packet delivered Friday or Saturday. He said that was not there. He said there were some circumstances that delayed some of the activities. He said he can assure Council that Howard Whitney and Mike Turner have some preliminary numbers. He said before releasing those, he would like to have Sharon Reichard and Sharon Michael look over them. He said the Administration is aware that the interim budget was passed on 10-31-03, and Council would like to see all information on new employees and any other adjustments to that budget in a new listing of numbers, plus a list explaining those differences. He said his goal would be to have that budget in the Council office by Wednesday afternoon so Council will have it available. He said the memo of January 28 is recognized and is being address, but unfortunately there were some circumstances last week that slowed that.

Assistant Clerk read motion: That the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg does hereby appoint Patt Hummer and Linda Winters to serve on the Reynoldsburg Housing Council for Community Reinvestment Areas; term to be for three years. Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mr. Clemens seconded. All voted "Aye". Motion passed.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: CHAPTER 160 COVER PAGE, AND SECTION 160.02 "AUTHORIZED POSITIONS, PERSONNEL, CLASSIFICATION AND PAY GRADE" Subsections (g)(1) and (g)(4), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the one required reading. Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea"; Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea"; Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 3-04 adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE DESIGN OF THE PRIVATE UTILITIES RELOCATION PLAN FOR THE MAJOR COMMERCIAL

CORRIDORS STREETSCAPE PROJECT, PHASE 2 and APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Item referred to Community Development Committee.

ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT AN APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF 5.21+/- ACRES IN ETNA TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, TO THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO (Connie J. Klema, Agent for Petitioner Marlyn C. Day)- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Item referred to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 1111.01 "DEFINITIONS" SUBSECTION (d) OF CHAPTER 1111 GENERAL PROVISIONS; AND ADDITION OF SECTION 1127.11 "EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN" OF CHAPTER 1127 STANDARDS- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Mr. Beougher set a Public Hearing for March 1, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR "MOBILE REPORTING SYSTEM WITH SUPPORTING SOFTWARE" (COPS MORE '02 Grant) FOR THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE APPROVING SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT - 7354 East Main Street; proposed use of land/structure; retail, motorcycle assembly, storage, sales- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR Evans, Mechwart, Hambleton & Tilton, Inc. TO PROVIDE INSPECTION SERVICES TO COMPLETE THE STREETSCAPE PHASE I PROJECT- -Assistant 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: SECTION 160.03 "SALARY SCHEDULE" Subsections (a) and (b) of CHAPTER 160 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION- -Assistant Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Finance Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Lane J. Beougher, President Pro Tempore
of Council

Susie Smith, Assistant Clerk of Council