

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 10, 2005

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

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

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

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 27, 2004 were approved without objection. Minutes of the first special Council meeting held January 4, 2005 were approved without objection.

Minutes of the second special Council meeting held January 4, 2005 were approved without objection.

The agenda was approved.

Communications- - Clerk read report from Clerk of Courts: total monies collected from courts held during December 2004, \$17,199. Monies also collected during that period pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 146-94 and 104-02- - \$175 for the Enforcement and Education Fund, and \$856 for the Computerization Needs Fund.

Reports- - Mayor McPherson thanked all those that helped during the snow, and ice, and flooding issues that began last December 23: all the employees of the City of Reynoldsburg; all the employees of the Police Department and the Truro Township Fire Department who transported citizens to and from the shelter; Dr. Ross, who immediately Thursday morning, authorized the use of the high school as a shelter; and especially Dale and Sue Warner, who actually manned the high school until the Red Cross could get there on Thursday evening; the Red Cross; the pastors and the churches; and all the people and organizations that stepped forward and helped during the event.

The Mayor said the Governor had issued a declaration for public assistance for the 48 hours of the snow emergency; that the city had provided a cost for this period to the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency, and they, in turn, were combining ours with other municipalities and sending it on to the state. If the city is successful in getting reimbursements, it could be 75% of the city's cost during that two day period, which would be approximately \$15,000.

After the two days of snow and ice, Franklin County Emergency Management also notified the city that the Governor was turning in a request for some disaster aid for the clean up. The city's cost estimates with all the trees that came down, all the debris and everything that had to be removed from the streets had been sent in and was approximately \$80,000. The Mayor said he was hoping to receive some reimbursement on that amount also.

The Mayor said there had been a meeting earlier in the day for a debriefing to just go over all the things that were done right, the things that were done wrong, things that could be improved. There would be a meeting on Thursday with some of the outside agencies to try to summarize all the information and then hopefully determining information that would help the next time the city

might have such an emergency event.

The Mayor said the one thing he would like to point out was that the city was getting a tremendous amount of calls from individuals that wanted the city to come to their house and clean up their yards, to clean up the limbs, but the city is not responsible for the individual's private property. The city encourages everybody to cut the limbs up into 5 foot lengths and not more than 24 inch bundles, set them out at the curb and Rumpke will in fact take those on regular trash day. The second option, is to take it to the Street Department and as time allows, the Street Department then will mulch those up and the Parks Department will use the mulch for our parks.

Mrs. Newman said their branches had been bundled at the curb for two weeks and they hadn't been picked up. Mayor McPherson said the trucks had been overloaded, and he would check with Rumpke to make sure that they maybe do a couple of passes instead of one the next time to make sure they get them.

Mr. Hills asked if there were any requirements for the material being taken to the street barn. The Mayor said the material could be any length, any size.

Clerk read Motion: That Lane J. Beougher be appointed the City of Reynoldsburg representative to the West Licking Joint Fire District Board. Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mr. Clemens seconded. All voted "Aye". Motion passed.

(Legislation concerning Licking Heights School District Revenue Sharing Agreement - - - legislation not available at time of preparation of agenda)-----ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INCOME TAX SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE LICKING HEIGHTS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.62, 5709.82, AND 5709.83- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Mr. Hills thanked Development Director Brandt for clean copies of the proposed legislation. Item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTIONS 1339.01; 1339.04 Subsections (a) and (c); and 1339.05 Subsections (a) and (b) of CHAPTER 1339 OHIO BUILDING CODE- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: CHAPTER 160 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION, SECTION 160.02 "AUTHORIZED POSITIONS, PERSONNEL, CLASSIFICATION AND PAY GRADE" SUBSECTION (a) "ADMINISTRATIVE", TO ADD THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY AND ELIMINATE TWO PART TIME LEGAL INTERN POSITIONS, **AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS FOR THE POSITION**- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Mr. Stake moved to amend the ordinance as redrafted 1-7-05. Mr. Beougher seconded. All voted "Aye". Motion passed; ordinance amended.

Mr. Stake moved suspension of the CRC Section 4.04 three reading rule. Mr. Clemens seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Nay"; Mr. Baxter "Nay"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea". Motion failed. Item returned to the Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LICKING COUNTY, OHIO; AND VICTORIA'S SECRET DIRECT, LLC; DISTRIBUTION LAND CORP.; LIMITED LOGISTICS SERVICES, INC.; AND LIMITED TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, INC.; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the third reading. Mr. Stake moved to amend the ordinance to reflect the ordinance received 1-7-05. Mr. Clemens seconded. All voted "Aye". Motion passed; ordinance amended.

Mr. Brandt introduced representatives of The Limited Brands Corporation. Mr. Anthony Hebron, Vice President of Communication; Mr. Scott Kriss, Vice President of Corporate Tax; and Mr. Scott Ziance of Vorys.

Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mr. Baxter seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea"; Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea". Motion passed; Ordinance No. 1-05 adopted.

Request for Executive Session by City Attorney to discuss pending litigation.- -Mr. Stake moved to recess for Executive Session. Mr. Stearns seconded. Mr. Hills said those attending would be elected officials, the Clerk, and Safety/Service Director. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea"; Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea". Motion passed. Mr. Hills said following the Executive Session, Council would reconvene only to call the roll and adjourn. Council recessed at 7:50 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:05 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Stake "Present"; Mr. Stearns "Present"; Mr. Baxter "Present"; Mr. Clemens "Present"; Mrs. Newman "Present"; Mr. Beougher "Present".

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

William L. Hills, President of Council

Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council