

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL  
February 23, 2009

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

Members of Council present: Leslie Kelly, Doug Joseph, Barth Cotner, Donna Shirey, Ron Stake, Fred Deskins, Jr. 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 9th, 2009 were approved without objection. Any modifications, additions or deletions? Hearing and seeing none, they'll stand as submitted.

Item 6 - Approval of the agenda. I do have a couple of reports that are to be added. Does anybody else have anything to add to tonight's agenda? The reports will be from Engineer Jim Miller regarding number 1, the light at Waggoner and Rodebaugh and number 2, Rosehill Road Status update.

Community Comments: I do have one speaker slip, if anyone else would like to speak, please get a speaker slip and turn it in but Mr. Kurt Keljo, could you come forward, please and give us your name and address for the record.

Mr. Hills: How are you this evening Sir.

Mr. Keljo: Well and you?

Mr. Hills: Good, good. Congratulations on your daughter.

Mr. Keljo: Well, thank you.

Mr. Hills: Engagement.

Mr. Keljo: Big news for us and very excited.

Mr. Hills: Good, good.

Mr. Keljo: I'm Kurt Keljo and I live at 1306 North Jackson Avenue here in Reynoldsburg, Ohio and I'm here to talk briefly about the Blacklick Watershed Action Plan. I'm the Chair of Friends of Blacklick Creek and have been for a number of years and as result, am part of the task force working on that plan and at our last meeting, we received a handout, ah, for the Public describing what the plan is about and what's happening and on the back listed the Cites, Townships, Villages supporting the process and that includes Columbus, Gahanna, Pataskala, Pickerington, Groveport and New Albany and someone at the meeting ask why the City of Reynoldsburg wasn't listed there and we were told that it was because the City Council had not yet approved

any funds to support the process and so I'm here respectfully to ask that the Council allocate some funds to support this process. It reflected badly on the City at that meeting when it was reported that the City was not supporting the process. Blacklick Creek is about 200 yards over there. If any City in the Watershed has an investment in this, it's the City of Reynoldsburg. So I hope that at some point in the future, you would allocate some funds. I'd hate to have this go out and not have the City of Reynoldsburg on it. Thank you.

Mr. Hills: If you would, would you be sure that the Clerk has a copy of that and we'll be sure that it, she get's it to the Mayor. I'm not sure that we have seen or discussed it in the past. So, that does not mean that when we're cutting budgets all over, that doesn't mean there's, we just write checks but certainly it's a, I'm not sure that it's been considered or discussed that I'm aware of and as you know, I've been here for awhile so.

Mr. Keljo: I'll do that yes.....

Mr. Hills: If you, if you would give a copy to the Clerk, we'll be sure that the Mayor gets a copy of that too.

Mr. Keljo: Okay. There has been a representative from the City of Reynoldsburg at the meetings.....

Mr. Hills: There have been?

Mr. Keljo: Yes, there have been.

Mr. Hills: Do you know who that would have been? We'll find out from the Mayor.

Mr. Keljo: I think from the Planning Office.

Mr. Hills: Was it, okay. Well then, the Mayor knows a little bit about, we'll be, we'll certainly be sure if you leave us a copy if you could, we'll be happy to take a look at it.

Mr. Keljo: All right. Thank you.

Mr. Hills: Say hello to your daughter for me if you would please. That's not the official part of Council. My youngest daughter and her daughter are friends. Ah, any other comments that anyone would like to address Council on this evening that's not on the Agenda? If not we'll move on to Communications. Ms. Cochran, are there any Communications this evening?

Ms. Cochran: No Sir, not that I'm aware of.

Mr. Hills: Okay, then there are no Communications. We'll move to Item 9, two reports as I noted earlier from the City Engineer. Mr. Miller, and these aren't over twenty minutes apiece are they?

Mr. Miller: No, President Hills, thank you, members of Council.

Mr. Hills: Thank you.

Mr. Miller: Very briefly, you've noticed that there's construction occurring at the intersection of Rodebaugh and Waggoner Road. Late last year, Brett Luzader attended a pre-construction meeting at the County and they are progressing as they discussed during the meeting and the completion date is anticipated to be the end of April. We have received some phone calls with complaints of residents of traffic being blocked, equipment being stored at inappropriate locations. We've taken those complaints and forwarded them on to the County and also informed our residents that this is a County project. We're not inspecting it, we don't have jurisdiction over it but when we do receive phone calls, we do forward them and forward the concerns to the County and I've been told that those issues are being addressed. So other than that, if there are any questions on Rodebaugh and Waggoner Road, I'd be happy to answer any if there are.

Mr. Hills: Bottom line is we hope to see a working light there by the end of April?

Mr. Miller: Yes.

Mr. Hills: I think that's what we need to know.

Mr. Miller: That's what I figured. Okay, thank you President Hills. Next is Rosehill Road. We have a pre-construction meeting this Thursday at 1:30 p.m. here at City Hall and after that pre-construction meeting, we're going to learn a tremendous amount of information that is going to be valuable to the Public and when that meeting concludes, we're going to send out a flyer, a door hanger with a message on it that notifies the residents of a Public Meeting that is going to be held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. and the information's going to be shared with the residents and businesses located there adjacent to the construction area. It's going to be when the road closure's going to be in place, how you will now travel to your home, access to your driveway will be maintained, mail access will be maintained, trash service is going to be maintained. We will go over all that pertinent information that we will gather after the contractor gives us a schedule and after the contractor tells us how he's going to approach the project. So I wanted to inform Council of that. Notices for that Public Meeting will be in the Newspaper on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March, which I believe is a Wednesday or the 6<sup>th</sup>. It will come out in the This Week Newspaper on the 5<sup>th</sup> is it Dave? On the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hills: Okay, questions for Mr. Miller? None. Thank you very much for the update.

Mr. Miller: Thank you.

Item 10a - That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and directed to submit a pre-application form to the Ohio EPA seeking financial assistance from the Ohio Water Revolving Loan Account to place the city's water tower CIP project on the priority list for possible funding.- -Mrs. Shirey recommended adoption. Seconded by Councilman Cotner. With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly "Yea"; Mr. Joseph "Yea"; Mr. Cotner "Yea"; Mrs.

Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted.

Item 10b - That the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg does hereby approve the Mayor’s appointment of James Sharps to the Civil Service Commission to serve the unexpired term that will end January 14, 2012.- -Mr. Stake recommended adoption. Seconded by Councilman Deskins. With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. Joseph “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”; Mrs. Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT TO REPLACE TWO SALT TRUCKS AS PART OF THE DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM; INDICATING THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO INTENDS TO MAKE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR COST OF THE TWO TRUCKS IF GRANT IS APPROVED, IN ANTICIPATION OF UP TO 80% REIMBURSEMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Mr. Deskins moved adoption as an emergency. Mr. Joseph seconded. Questions or comments on this Ordinance? With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. Joseph “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”; Mrs. Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted. Ordinance 9-09 is adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PAINTING OF THE BROAD STREET WATER TOWER; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Mrs. Shirey moved adoption. Mrs. Kelly seconded. Questions or comments? With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. Joseph “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”; Mrs. Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted. Ordinance 10-09 is adopted.

ORDINANCE ACCEPTING UNRECORDED SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED FROM TARGET CORPORATION, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION (0.840 ac.)- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first time. Item referred to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE “CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL” ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 14-03 PASSED MARCH 10, 2003 AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED (various sections)- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the second time. Item referred to Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE MAKING TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS TO PAY THE REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY FOR THE 2009 SUBPOENA PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mrs. Shirey seconded. Questions or comments? With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. Joseph “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”; Mrs. Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted. Ordinance 11-09 is adopted.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CITY AUDITOR TO SEEK REIMBURSEMENT FROM OPWC FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING INCLUDING DESIGN, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, BID DOCUMENTS, AND GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE ROSEHILL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PHASES I AND II; AND AUTHORIZING CREDITING OF MONIES RECEIVED, AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSFER OF FUNDS- -Mr. Stake moved adoption. Mr. Joseph seconded. Questions or comments? With the roll called, members voted: Mrs. Kelly “Yea”; Mr. Joseph “Yea”; Mr. Cotner “Yea”; Mrs. Shirey “Yea”; Mr. Stake “Yea”; Mr. Deskins “Yea”. Motion adopted. Ordinance 12-09 is adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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William L. Hills, President of Council

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Sally L. Cochran, Assistant Clerk of Council