

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

September 3, 2002

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Gary Bailey, Ed Dwenger, Helen Gardner, David Leas, Herb Hunter and Bruce Tressler.

Minutes were approved.

Kirk Acra of Acra Automotive spoke on behalf of the present dealerships in town about the off premises motor sales. The dealerships are asking Council to pass an Ordinance banning these off premise motor sales. They stated they do not mind quality competition.

City Attorney Frank I. Hamilton, Jr. prepared Ordinance 2002-26 Regarding Off-Premises Motor Vehicle Sales By Persons With No Established Place of Business.

Motion by Bruce Tressler and seconded by David Leas to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2002-26. So passed.

Dr. Paul Hirt president of the Animal Control Board came before Council to see if the Council would support their endeavor of an expansion for the animal control and if the Council planned on any monies in the budget 2003 for said expansion.

Council told Dr. Hirt that they do plan on helping and plans are to put up to \$50,000 in a separate account designated for the expansion. Council stated that the City Attorney is drawing up a non-reverting Ordinance for this fund and to keep the monies here in the City with the stipulation that if the County should back out on the sharing of costs for the project then the money the City has contributed to this fund would go back into the City's general fund.

City Attorney Frank I. Hamilton, Jr. recommended that Council table Ordinance 2002-25 Annexation of Territory-Gary Campbell-Proposed Rail Park, at this time after discussion.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Helen Gardner to pass Resolution 2002-13 Transfer of Funds – Police Department. So passed.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by David Leas to pass on 3rd reading Ordinance 2002-14 Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees. So passed.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by David Leas to pass on 3rd reading Ordinance 2002-15 Salaries of all Elected Offices. So passed.

Motion by Bruce Tressler and seconded by Ed Dwenger to pass on 3rd reading Ordinance 2002-16 Water and Wastewater Appointed Officers and Employees Salaries. So passed.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by Ed Dwenger to pass on 3rd reading Ordinance 2002-17 Water and Wastewater Salaries for Elected Offices. So passed.

Budget for the year 2003 was unanimously approved with necessary cuts made. Council signed the Form 4 passing the Budget.

Kathy Crippen stated that Larry McCammet is requesting 3 street lights in the West Commerce Park V off of Vandalia Road.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by David Leas to approve 3 street lights being put up. So passed.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by Bruce Tressler to approve moving insurance monies from general fund to the Police Equipment Repair. So passed.

Herb Hunter gave Council members an update of the Board of Works meeting.

Mayor Bailey told Council that ID cards are being for employees at City Hall through the School.

Cable representatives would like to set up a meeting with the Mayor, Herb Hunter and Helen Gardner either Sept. 9th, 10, or 11th. It was decided to have the meeting set for the 10th.

Mayor Bailey told Council that Cinergy says the numbers are looking real good for the Broadband and they should have all the information soon. The City may need to foot the entire bill initially and then Cinergy would repay.

Council members were concerned about this, for they were under the understanding that Cinergy would foot the entire cost and the City would not have to put money up for the entire project.

Phone Company has a DSL but say the housing additions will not be able to get on.

Redistricting was brought and discussed. This needs to be passed by Ordinance before the end of the year.

Larry Colson is to get an appraisal on the old police station.

Mayor Bailey told Council of the efforts of the City, Parks Department and Schools to put in a skating park. Several other Cities have put a skating park in and Bob Barker is planning on visiting them to see what they have done. Mayor has talked with Tom Hunter and a guy from Valeo is working on plans and money. City, schools and the parks department will not be liable. Parks department will take care of it. The area of the North Park is being looked at.

Mayor Bailey introduced his newly hired assistant Jennifer Vawter.

Mike Wells Fire Chief invited all to the ceremony being done at the Fire Department on Sept. 11th from 9:45 – 10:30 a.m. Mike stated they have put up 343 flags for the firefighters that lost their lives. American Legion will be presenting a new flag.

Ceremony at Jr. High at 8:30 a.m. on a new flag pole and the American Legion will be presenting a new flag.

Gilliland/Howe will be having a ceremony at 9:00 a.m.

American Legion will have a retiring of old flags at the Court House at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes prepared and presented by: **L. June Ryle, Clerk-Treasurer, City of Greensburg**