

Special Council Meeting Minutes
July 29th, 2012

Call to Order- 8:02 P.M.

Roll Call- Ben Prescott, Bill Zoller, Giles Seith, Linda Schilling, Paul Janson, Marty Hura.

Others: Mayor Linda Clark, Clerk-Treasurer Jenny August, Village Solicitor Michele Stuck,

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence- for Craig Moser and Gary Ahrens

Citizens: Lisa Zamecnik, Aaron Snopek, Terry Vechery, Jim Rogers, Dean Olson, George & Helen Hazlett, Ellie Stamm and Edie Benner.

Legislation:

2012-44 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A BLIGHT IN THE AREA OF ORCHARD STREET, MANTUA, OHIO, DUE TO VACANT AND DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES AND DETERIORATING ROADWAY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN GRANT MONIES TO REMEDIATE SAID BLIGHT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading.

Mayor Clark explained that the CDBG grant for Orchard St. was processed as an LMI (Low to Moderate Income) grant, and we did not qualify. This legislation will be for the state to take a look at it again processed as "Slum and Blight". Also, Atwater had to turn back their grant which gave back over \$11,000 to the Commissioners, and they decided to add that into our grant which brings our award from \$134,000 to \$145,000.

Motion to suspend the rules was made by Bill Zoller, and seconded by Ben Prescott. All ayes on vote.
Motion to approve by Linda Schilling, seconded by Marty Hura. All ayes on vote.

2012-45 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 2012-41 AND CORRECTING THE SEWER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading.

Jenny explained that a mathematical error was made in calculating the total appropriations spent year to date and it would need to be corrected before the County Auditor would be able to approve the increase.

Motion to suspend the rules by Bill Zoller, seconded by Ben Prescott. All ayes on vote.

Motion to approve by Linda Schilling, seconded by Marty Hura. All ayes on vote.

Discussion:

Certified Local Governments-

Mayor Clark asked everyone to open their CLG packets that Aaron provided to them, and asked for discussion. Marty asked what is the structure of the Commission that must be appointed. Mayor Clark said the DMRC will organize a committee after legislation has passed. Terry Vechery said there will be at least five qualified professionals. They could be Architects, or a History major, or some area of historical preservation, maybe a restoration specialist, Contractors, all appointed by the Mayor. Resumes would be submitted. The core group would be educated.

Mayor Clark asked if they have anyone in mind. Terry said not really until legislation is passed. Linda said since Council wants to take their time and really look into this, they would like to know who might be on the Commission. Aaron referred to the Mt. Pleasant ordinance that lays out the requirements that they are using for members of their Commission. Terry said the guidelines are the same.

Marty asked if the Commission must be in place before legislation. Aaron said there is a list of things we would need to do before going to the state for approval. He thought that we would first pass legislation, then start putting together a Commission. We would need legislation and then at least several members of a Commission before submitting to the state.

Jim Rogers stood and said he did not get the hesitation from Council on this. It is a group of local property owners bringing this to Council. Mayor Clark said the DMRC has been working on this since last spring. Council is not as familiar with it. Council wants to completely understand what they are voting on. Jim said there is no legislation, and it could go three readings and be discussed. Linda said Council is writing the legislation and needs to work their way through it.

Bill Zoller said his only concern is that it is completely voluntary. Linda said we could write it that way. Aaron said in section 10 of his handout he states that "No property shall be listed without owners consent".

Mayor Clark asked if Council wants to start with the Mt. Pleasant ordinance. Paul thought we should use it as a model. Michele suggested that everyone take the ordinance home with them, write down suggestions, and we could have a workshop and try to put it all together.

Eddie Benner complimented Council for working so well together, and offered any help they could provide.

Mayor Clark asked the CLG Committee to give us a list of people that might be interested in being on the committee so we could talk to them and get their thoughts. She suggested a workshop an hour before Council meets in August. Michele said we could have first reading at the August meeting. She would put together a rough draft for Council to tweak during the workshop. We can continue to amend it at each reading. The Certified Local Group and the DMRC people are welcome.

Adjourned at 8:28 P.M. by Bill Zoller, seconded by Ben Prescott. All ayes on vote.

Linda Clark, Mayor

Jenny August, Clerk-Treasurer