

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – October 5, 2010

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor Scott Black called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Member of Council - Gary Beamer
Mayor - G. Scott Black
Member of Council - Ken Dick
Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar
Member of Council - Steve Keegan
City Manager - Paul Fiser (Not voting)
City Solicitor - Barry Bova (Not voting)
Finance Director - Christine May (Not voting)
Administrative Assistant - Sharon Smith (Not voting)
Clerk of Council - Janet Dickman (Not voting)

Visitors signing in can be referenced in the Record Book Supplement.

The meeting opened with The Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 21, 2010 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2010 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Member of Council - Gary Beamer, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Two thank you notes for support of the Clyde Library Summer Reading Program.

Visitors:

There were no visitors who requested to speak at this time.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

2010-39 ORDINANCE DESIGNATING CERTAIN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS AS DEPOSITORIES OF PUBLIC MONEYS FOR THE CITY OF CLYDE FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 15, 2010 TO, AND INCLUDING OCTOBER 15, 2015, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. **2010-39** was read in its entirety.

Ms. May noted that the last time this type of Ordinance was presented to Council was in October 2005. This new Ordinance is basically the same as the previous one, but Ms. May reviewed the various bank name changes.

Mr. Beamer questioned why five different banks are used. Ms. May stated that the reasons include: it is beneficial to get competitive rates for the CD's, some customers use the various banks to make their utility payments, one of the banks was used for the fire truck loans and the payments received at that bank would basically cover the loan payment, and the Star Ohio bank is used because deposits from the state are made to that institution.

Mr. Dick questioned if there is any additional cost associated with using five different banks (no).

Mayor Black announced that this ordinance contained an emergency clause.

Motion: to suspend the rule preventing passage of an ordinance at a meeting at which it is first introduced, which is section 4-5 of the Charter, **Action:** Suspend rule,

Moved by Member of Council - Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2010-39** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mrs. Farrar added that it is good to invest public money in a variety of banks to ensure getting the best rates through competing, by putting it out for bids. It is also good to show a desire that the money remains here in the City and it shows due diligence.

Mr. Dick questioned why the Clyde-Findlay Credit Union is not used (they are not a "bank").

Mr. Black thanked Ms. May for explaining that a particular bank in Clyde is not able to be used at this time because it is under restrictions that do not allow it to participate.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2010-39**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Member of Council - Ken Dick, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council -

Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar.

Mayor Black announced that Ordinance No. **2010-39** has been adopted.

Motion: to read both second reading Ordinances by title only, **Action:** Approve,

Moved by Member of Council - Ken Dick, **Seconded by** Member of Council – Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Ken Dick,.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2010-36 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR VARIOUS SUPPLIES AND SERVICES FOR THE NEEDS OF VARIOUS CITY OF CLYDE DEPARTMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2011 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR SAME.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2010-36** was read by title only for its second reading.

There was no additional information/comments/questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2010-36**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, **Seconded by** Member of Council - Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2010-36** passed.

2010-37 AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 2010-22 AND REMOVING SECTION 937.04(h) FROM THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLYDE, OHIO RELATIVE TO UTILITY BILLING SPECIAL SERVICES.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2010-37** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. Dick questioned how the IT staff are coming with working with local banks for alternatives (Ms. May will ask IT staff to find out the status).

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2010-37**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Member of Council - Ken Dick, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2010-37** passed.

RESOLUTIONS

2010-40 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF OHIO FOR THE CITY OF CLYDE'S 2009 AUDIT.

Resolution No. **2010-40** was read in its entirety.

Ms. May noted that the cost for last year's audit was \$31,600. Possible reasons that the cost is down this year could be: 1) staff in the auditor's office took a 2% pay cut; 2) the economic downturn; 3) last year's price was actually lower than the initial estimate; 4) a paperless audit has been implemented (information is e-mailed, therefore, there are no work papers, which takes less time).

Mr. Keegan questioned how many auditors were here (3). Ms. May noted that the auditors have been here more often than they were last year and they are getting done faster (1 to 1½ months instead of 2 months). If any Council members have any questions for the auditors, they should ask them soon before the auditors are done.

Mrs. Farrar had attended the pre-audit meeting where it was mentioned that the City had a clean audit in the past, and she questioned if possibly this could also be a cause for the cost decrease. Ms. May agreed and noted that last year was the first year that the City received an unqualified opinion from the audit.

Mr. Dick feels the auditors are overpaid.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2010-40**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, **Seconded by** Member of Council - Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 4, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black.

No: Member of Council - Ken Dick.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2010-40** passed.

2010-41 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUZANNE NORRIS TO THE CLYDE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Resolution No. **2010-41** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Fiser reported that Sue Norris is also on the BZA. Mr. Bova was consulted and he stated this appointment would be acceptable because the Civil Service Commission and the BZA do not interact. Mr. Fiser feels Mrs. Norris is dedicated and he applauds her for serving on two boards.

Mr. Keegan thanked her for her time and interest and feels she is an asset.

Mr. Beamer feels she is a good BZA member and she will do a fine job.

Mrs. Farrar is grateful for her service.

Mr. Dick feels that, with her background and knowledge, she will do a fine job.

Mr. Black echoed the Council members comments and commends her for serving on two Boards.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2010-40**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Member of Council - Gary Beamer, **Seconded by** Member of Council - Ken Dick.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Mayor - G. Scott Black, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2010-41** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

We had AMP Inc., our wholesale power supplier in town on the 28th to explain their proposed energy efficiency program called "Efficiency Smart Power Plant". They met with our three largest industrial customers and the Clyde/Green Springs Schools at 3pm. The benefits of this incentive based program would most be realized by our large demand customers. There was definitely a collective lack of interest on the part of these customers, which make up approximately 80% of our sales. Given that fact, AMP felt it would not be feasible for us to proceed so the work session with council was cancelled.

At the WWTP, Superintendent Bauer is in the process of fixing an underground air leak in the 20" conduit running from the blower room to the open lagoons. This involves a temporary above ground air-line being utilized during the repair phase. The temporary line will be installed soon and then Tom wants to test it for a number of days to ensure it functions properly before shutting down the 20" line. Once the 20" line is shut down and inspected by remote camera, we will have a much better idea on repair techniques and costs.

Ms. May and Mr. Fiser will be attending a health insurance consortium (BORMA) meeting tomorrow. Following that meeting, they will have firm numbers on insurance costs for next year. The Union had agreed to wait until these numbers became available to start negotiations so now that process will start and Administration is hoping for uneventful talks.

Chief Gower has taken one cruiser out of service permanently due to a drive train failure. The cost of repair was going to exceed the value of the vehicle. Currently, the two newest cars are in front line service and the oldest has been moved to back-up status.

We have started to investigate a roof leak in the clock tower area. The leak can be seen above the main entrance. The entire roof was replaced about eight years ago with the exception of the small clock tower area. The problem could be two fold in that the clock tower roof appears to be leaking and there also appears to be some infiltration thru the brick/block work on the West face of the clock tower.

The OPW, District Committee made up of nine counties (Sandusky, Ottawa, Erie, Wood, Defiance, Henry, Paulding, Fulton, and Williams) will officially convene on November 3rd to finalize funding on the 2011 LTIP and SCIP projects. We are still hoping for the best on our two proposed improvements.

Ms. May reported that September income tax collections were up by 18.52%, and YTD they are up by 14.38%.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Keegan referenced recent police reports regarding kids passing over and under a stopped train. He questioned if this situation is an “accident waiting to happen.” He noted that Whirlpool workers also climb over a stopped train to avoid being tardy for work. He feels this is dangerous. Concerns were also voiced regarding the stability of the bridge near Millers grocery store. Mr. Fiser responded that the bridge is inspected annually and he will get a copy of the recent report for Mr. Keegan. Mr. Black shared a story of his seeing about 20-25 kids climbing over a stopped train during the weekend of the Fair; the train jerked as it started to move and caused one of the kids who was climbing fall off and land on the road.

Mr. Beamer requested an update on the status of Broadband service. Mr. Fiser responded that a meeting is tentatively scheduled for him, Amy from the IT department and the Mayor. Following that meeting, information will be shared with Council.

Mrs. Farrar shared that she attended the ribbon cutting ceremonies at all of the Clyde-Green Springs Schools. She stated that there were repeated positive remarks regarding the teamwork that exists between the City and the Schools. She stated she was very proud of this acknowledgment.

Mr. Dick feels the representatives of the train company do not listen to concerns that are voiced.

Mr. Dick commented on the new intersection at Buckeye/Main Street. He noted that three of the sides have inside curbs and the remaining side is pointed. He questioned why it is this way (unknown). Mr. Fiser was asked to contact the engineering firm who came up with this design.

Mr. Black noted that several members of tonight’s meeting had to wait for a stopped train before they could get to this meeting.

Mr. Black announced winners of tickets for a performance at the Community Arts program at Clyde High School. The winners were drawn from names of volunteers from City Boards/Commissions.

MOTIONS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

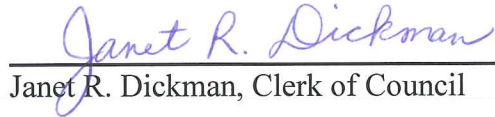
Moved by Member of Council - Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Mayor - G. Scott Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor - G. Scott Black, Member of Council - Gary Beamer, Member of Council - Ken Dick, Member of Council - Steve Keegan, Vice Mayor - Carolyn Farrar.



G. Scott Black, Mayor



Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
VISITOR SIGN-IN

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