

CITY OF CANAL FULTON

May 19, 2009

COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Grogan called the May 19, 2009 City Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Diane Downing, James Deans, Danny Losch, Nellie Cihon, Linda Zahirsky and Matthew Moellendick.

Others Present: Mark Cozy, City Manager; Tammy Marthey, Clerk of Council; Dave Frisone, Police Chief; Ray Green, Fire Chief; Daniel Mayberry, Service Director; Scott Svab, Finance Director; Joan Porter, Repository and Amy Knapp, Independent; Janet Deans, Rochelle Rossi, Kathy Gill, and Ken Roberts, Residents; Sara Batko, Chamber of Commerce.

CORRECTING/ADOPTING THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mrs. Zahirsky moved to approve the record of proceedings of the May 6, 2009 meeting, seconded by Mrs. Cihon. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Personnel Committee: Mrs. Zahirsky stated the Personnel Committee met for the purpose of discussing the bonus plan for the fire department bonuses for the officers and how they can come up with a pool of money for this program. The pool of money would be based upon a 10% decrease on salaries, electric, gas and fire and EMS equipment and supplies line items. She stated the department would be responsible for 100% billing on all transports. The committee agreed to give the Chief 20% of the savings to distribute to the officers. The remaining 80% savings would be set into a fund for a new fire truck. There would be a cap of \$20,000 to go in bonus pool.

Mrs. Zahirsky stated the Chief has also requested they present an ordinance that specifically gives them a minimum amount for a call from 6:00 AM to midnight for one hour call and between midnight and 6:00 AM that they would be paid for a minimum of two hours no matter how long they are here. There is anything currently in the ordinances that cover this.

Mrs. Zahirsky stated the Finance Director asked them to look at several different categories, Payroll Clerk, Community Service Coordinator, Canalway Center and one other position. He wanted to know if the wages needed to be as high in between each year as they are or perhaps going to a five year instead of a three year and to not have such a large leap in between each year.

Economic Development Meeting: Mr. Deans moved to have an Economic Development meeting on June 2, 2009 at 6:15 PM for the purpose of promoting the canal boat and painting of city in coordination with Sherwin Williams, seconded by Mr. Moellendick. **ROLL: Yes, ALL**

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Safety Committee Meeting: Mr. Losch moved to have a Safety Committee meeting on June 16, 2009 at 6:00 PM regarding amending traffic codes regarding junk vehicles and regulations regarding the storage of unlicensed vehicles and hunting in the newly annexed land, seconded by Mr. Deans. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – AGENDA MATTERS - None

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

SENIOR CITIZENS (Nellie Cihon)

Fire Safety Program: Mrs. Cihon wanted to thank Debbie Green for doing the fire safety program at the Center. She is going to also teach them the proper way to use a fire extinguisher in the near future.

Trip: There will be a trip to the Wheeling Casino on June 23, 2009. They will be departing the Center at 8:00 AM and returning at 8:00 PM.

Senior Day: Mrs. Cihon stated they had Senior Day at Civic Center today. Berdie Schoeder was chosen as the queen. She is 99 years old.

COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR - None

FIRE CHIEF (Ray Green, Fire Chief)

Month End Report: There were 50 runs for the month. The report includes a breakdown on transports.

Grants: Chief Green stated he applied for a quint and a computer lab where they would be able to do training for the department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT (Dave Frisone, Police Chief)

Month End Report: There was a total of 333 calls for service for the month of April. There wasn't anything unusual in the month.

Run to the Wall Event: Chief Frisone stated there wasn't any problems related to the event. There was a car versus motorcycle incident but it wasn't related to event. The cyclist had minor injuries.

Mr. Deans thanked the Police Chief for the coordination of the motorcycles coming out of the park.

ENGINEER/STREETS/PUBLIC UTILITIES (Dan Mayberry/William Dorman): - Not present at meeting was working on the issues related to one of the horses being ill.

FINANCE DIRECTOR (Scott Svab)

April Financial Statements: Mr. Svab stated he has included the April Financial Statements in the packet and would like to get a voice motion.

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EMS Billing: Mr. Svab stated the collections for EMS billing for April was \$9,127, which was up from \$4,676 last year. To date, collections are \$28,854.00, about \$10,000 more than last year this time.

Mr. Svab stated he contributes the increase of 19.8% due to the billing of non-residents.

Ohio Billing: Mr. Svab stated included in the packet is a Resolution for the contract for Ohio Billing with a rate increase. They have not asked for an increase in almost five years. They have been working harder in collections and have done a good job for the City.

Financial Statements: Mrs. Cihon moved that they are receipts of the April Financial Statements, seconded by Mr. Losch. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

CITY MANAGER (Mark Cozy)

Press Release from Stetler: School board intends to not go for levy in November. Mr. Cozy distributed a copy of the press release that was issue by the school superintendent, Bill Stetler.

Mr. Cozy distributed results from the school levy showing the votes from each precinct. All precincts in the City passed the levy.

Pancake Breakfast: There will be a pancake breakfast at the Canalway Center on June 6, 2009 from 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM. The cost is \$12 per person and includes a ticket to ride the boat either that day or any other day.

Canal Boat Cruises: The themed cruises have been scheduled.

They have received word that one of the horses is sick.

Codified Ordinances: Our ordinances are updated on the website once per year. The Clerk has been getting proposals from vendors for codifications of the ordinances which includes putting them on the web. It would also include the ability to be able to search ordinances.

Mr. Moellendick stated he would find it beneficial to have the codified

Mrs. Zahirsky stated we can look at this at budget time in the fall.

Air Technologies: This is a new company that is moving in to the City.

Billboard Space: Mr. Cozy stated there is billboard space available for approximately \$1,800 on Rt. 21. He stated the City could put seed money up and then businesses put money toward advertising on the board.

Mrs. Zahirsky stated if she had to look at the \$1,800 for the billboard or \$2,000 for the codification for the ordinances she would lean toward the codifications. She stated neither was budgeted items.

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Mayor Grogan stated he would like to see what the businesses are willing to do to support this. He stated there isn't anything out there that lets people know what is in town.

Mr. Cozy stated he has some businesses already interested.

Mr. Moellendick asked if the grant was available that the Heritage Society received.

Mr. Cozy stated the grant will be available in July. It is a reimbursable grant.

Mrs. Downing stated the horses will be no cost and the billboard will be a minimal fee because the businesses will be paying for part of it.

Mr. Cozy stated Council needs to do a downtown tour. Mr. Cozy would like to schedule a work session just to visit the downtown and to visit the establishments.

REPORT OF MAYOR (John Grogan)

Senior Citizens Commissioners: Mayor Grogan stated he received a recommendation from Mrs. Cihon for interested persons to serve on the board at the senior center. Mayor Grogan stated they are Andy Ginella and Judy Carney.

Mrs. Downing moved to appoint Andy Ginella as a Senior Citizens Commissioner, seconded by Mrs. Zahirsky. **ROLL: Yes, Mrs. Downing, Mr. Deans, Mr. Losch, Mrs. Zahirsky and Mr. Moellendick. Abstain, Mrs. Cihon.**

Mr. Deans moved to appoint Judy Carney as a Senior Citizens Commissioner, seconded by Mrs. Zahirsky. **ROLL: Yes, Mrs. Downing, Mr. Deans, Mr. Losch, Mrs. Zahirsky and Mr. Moellendick. Abstain, Mrs. Cihon.**

Police, Fire and Street Departments: Mayor Grogan stated he would like to thank the departments for the work and efforts they put into the Run to the Wall event.

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD (Fred Fleming) – Not Present.

LAW DIRECTOR (Scott Fellmeth) - Not Present

THIRD READINGS - None

SECOND READINGS

Ordinance 16-09: An Ordinance Amending City of Canal Fulton, Ohio Administrative Code Section 141.08(g) to Provide Compensatory Time Off for Certain Employees. **STANDS AS SECOND READING**

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Ordinance 17-09: An Ordinance Amending the Codified Ordinances of the Zoning Code of the City of Canal Fulton, Ohio to Amend Chapter 1150 and Repeal Section 4, 1150.04 Fire Inspection. **STANDS AS SECOND READING**

FIRST READINGS

Resolution 14-09: A Resolution by the Council of the City of Canal Fulton to Enter Into An Agreement With Ohio Billing, Inc. To Provide Billing for Emergency Medical Services and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Svab stated this is under emergency due to the date of the contract.

Mrs. Cihon moved for suspension of the rules, seconded by Mr. Deans. **ROLL: Yes, Mr. Moellendick, Mrs. Cihon, Mr. Losch, Mr. Deans and Mrs. Downing. No, Mrs. Zahirsky.**

Mrs. Cihon moved for passage under suspension, seconded by Mr. Moellendick. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

Mrs. Zahirsky asked if anyone asked Mr. Svab is he asked the billing company to take a lower rate. Mr. Svab stated he did not. He stated he talked to the owners of the company. He feels that they are doing an excellent job for the City and haven't asked for an increase in almost five years.

PURCHASE ORDERS & BILLS

P.O. 5647 to Buckeye Pumps for Repair of Sludge Pump in the Amount of \$3,218.15.

Mrs. Cihon moved to approve P.O. 5647, seconded by Mr. Moellendick. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

Bills: \$162,256.10

Mrs. Cihon moved to accept the bills in the amount of \$162,256.10, seconded by Mr. Moellendick. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

OLD/NEW/OTHER BUSINESS - None

REPORT OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE (Nellie Cihon) - None

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES - None

CITIZENS COMMENTS-Open Discussion (Five-Minute Rule)

Chief Green: Chief Green stated as a veteran, he would like to thank Ms. Rossi and the committee for the hard work they put into the Run to Wall, Unveiling of the Ohio Vietnam Memorial Park Wall.

Rochelle Rossi: Ms. Rossi stated the event will be aired on PBS on May 22.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Grogan adjourned the May 19, 2009 meeting. The next regular scheduled meeting is June 2, 2009 at 7:00 PM.

Tammy Marthey, Clerk of Council

John Grogan, Mayor