

CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

15 November 2016

*Prior the meeting, Pastor Chris Sheneman, Police Chaplain, Newsong Vineyard Church offered the invocation.*

Council met in regular session with Vice Mayor Mark Louis presiding. Members present included: Mrs. Cindy Abrams, Mr. Ray Acra, Mr. Ethan Dole, Mr. Ryan Grubbs, Mr. Hank Menninger, and Mr. Randy Shank. Mayor Bill Neyer was not in attendance. Mr. Bill Deters, Law Director was also in attendance.

The meeting opened at 7:30 pm. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to approve the council meeting minutes for November 1, 2016. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Abrams to approve the Purchase Orders Report. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve a resolution to consent to the Enterprise Zone Agreement between the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners and J.T. M Provisions, Inc. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Resolution #16 – 2016).**

Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve a resolution to enter into a Cooperative Agreement by and among the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority; The City of Harrison, Ohio; 200 Industrial Drive, LLC ; and JTM Provisions Company, Inc. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Resolution #17 – 2106).**

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to approve a plat for Whitewater Trails, Section 1. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Acra to set a public hearing for an application for a zone change from the current R-3 one and two family residential district to an R-4 multi-family district with a PUD at a location east of 10364 New Haven Road. Said hearing will be held on December 6 at 7:00 pm in council chambers. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

### Visitors

Mr. Mike Mains of 311 Park Ave. addressed council to ask what the status is on the Motor-Cross Park(ATV Park) since it has been closed since September 26 for repairs and renovation of the track. He is interested in knowing if council and the community view the motor-cross park as a positive or a negative for the city.

Mr. Acra explained that since September 26 a lot of information has been gathered. The EDGE group, which specializes in the development of parks, has been hired. Initially, work on the ATV Park was to be done with volunteers, but the park renovation costs are now at approximately \$15,000. Due to a possible business expansion, the ATV Park could disappear. Mr. Acra explained that council will continue to meet and work with the EDGE group as well as Great Parks to make the best decisions for the city.

### Mayor Report

Vice Mayor Louis reported on the following items from the November 15 meeting of the Police Committee: The Traffic Crash Analysis Report for October showed a total of 31 auto accidents with 19 on public roadways and 12 on private property.; The last 2012 police cruiser did not sell at auction. The decals will be removed and the Tahoe will go to the Adesa auction in Columbus; A civil service promotion exam was given on November 12. The exam will establish a new eligibility list. Currently there are no vacancies in any rank in the Police Department. ; The next Coffee with the Chiefs will take place on Saturday, November 26 from 8:00 – 10:30 am at *The Coffee Peddler*. Mr. Louis announced the next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled for December 20 at 6:00 pm.

### Law Director Report

The Law Director had no report.

### Council – Committee Reports

#### Mrs. Abrams:

Civil Defense Committee: The committee met on November 15. The next meeting is scheduled for December 20 at 6:30 pm.

Economic Development Committee: Small Business Saturday is scheduled for November 26 and the Christmas Parade will take place on December 3.

**Mr. Menninger:**

**Fire Committee:** Mr. Menninger reported on the Monthly Fire Report which showed in the Division of Fire & Safety a total of 49 fire runs, which is under the 2015 year-to-date total. In the Division of EMS, there were 142 runs, which is also under the 2015 year-to-date total. There was no Med-i-count report.

**Mr. Grubbs:**

**Harrison Recreation Commission:** Mr. Grubbs reported the theme for the December 3 Christmas Parade is "I'll Be Home for Christmas". The parade begins at 5:00 pm and free hot chocolate and cookies from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. The St. John's 8<sup>th</sup> grade chili cook-off will be near the firehouse. Pictures with Santa will be held at 138 Harrison Ave. (Lady Hawk Events) beginning at 6:30 pm, Santa's Goodie Band will play from 6:30 – 7:00 and the tree lighting at 7:15 pm. Mr. Grubbs announced the Recreation Commission will not meet in December.

Mr. Grubbs thanked Jean Wilson and the members of the Recreation Commission for all their hard work this past year.

**Utilities Committee:** Mr. Grubbs announced the next meeting of the Utilities Committee will take place on December 20.

**Tree Board:** The next meeting of the Tree Board will take place on November 30. They will not meet in December.

**Mr. Dole:**

**Solid Waste & Environmental and Storm water Committees:** The Solid Waste and Storm Water Committee will meet concurrently on December 6 at 6:00 pm. The city wide yard waste clean-up will take place on Saturday, November 26.

**Mr. Acra:**

**Planning Commission:** Mr. Acra reported the Planning Commission met on November 8 and approved the Senior Housing Project on New Haven Road. Council will hold their public hearing on the proposed application on December 6.

The committee also approved the plat for Whitewater Trails, Section 1. Mr. Acra announced the next meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for December 13 at 7:30 pm

Building & Lands: Mr. Acra reported the work on the gazebo roof at the Village Park should be completed by end of the week. Work on the Community Center roof is nearing completion, the punch list inspection is set to begin, followed by the final inspection. Mr. Acra reported that work on the Riverwalk is continuing. The city workers have cleared large amounts of dirt from the north end of the park. This has opened up several additional acres of useable park. Mr. Acra reported that Great Parks is looking to purchase over 7 acres along the river to the south of the city property for the purpose of establishing a wild life corridor.

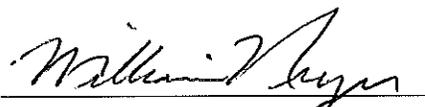
Mr. Shank:

Finance Committee: Mr. Shank announced the city's new Finance Director will begin her duties on November 20. The Finance Committee will meet on December 20 at 5:15 pm.

Streets Committee: The next meeting of the Streets Committee is scheduled for December 6 at 6:00 pm.

OKI: Mr. Shank reported he attended the OKI meeting on November 10. The committee discussed the Bright / I-74 proposed corridor. After a lengthy discussion, the final result was that the roads would be re-built, corrected, and re-surfaced.

There being no further business, Mr. Shank made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to adjourn the meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

  
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William Neyer, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Carol Wiwi, Clerk