

THE CITY OF FREMONT, OHIO

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May 15, 2014

The regular meeting of Fremont City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the form prescribed by the General Rules of Council. President of Council Dallas Leake called the meeting to order.

The following members answered roll call: Gross, Knisely, Koebel, Kreilick, Michels, Ruiz and Stout.

The minutes of the May 1, 2014 meeting were approved as written, received and corrected.

Third reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to enter into a contract with Mid Ohio Sludge Management Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$106,260.00 for 2014 Spent Lime Lagoon cleaning, and declaring an emergency. On motion to adopt by Kreilick, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas votes. (Ord. 2014-3708)

Third reading of a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$12,000.00 to Mannik Smith Group, and declaring an emergency. On motion to adopt by Stout, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yeas votes. (Res. 2014-1935)

Second reading of an ordinance establishing a new fund for the Police Dept. for the Dept of Justice Equitable Sharing Program, and declaring an emergency.

Second reading of an ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to approve and sign amended rules and regulations of the Fremont Fire Dept, and declaring an emergency.

First reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within D.A.R.E. Fund 256, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Knisely seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas votes. (Ord. 2014-3709)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$4,355.50 to Rush Graphix, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Knisely, seconded by Stout, motion carried 7 yeas votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas votes. (Res. 2014-1936)

Committee Reports

Ruiz reported that Block Watch meeting at Pit Stop went well in spite of fact that attendance was low. Complaints were about loitering and objects found at the location. Neighbors should contact police with their concerns.

Knisely said he will have report at the next meeting.

Michles reminded council about the Finance Committee meeting on June 5 at 6:45 p.m.

Koebel remind residents that the next meeting of the Rec Board will be 6 p.m. June 17 at the rec center.

Council Comments

Kreilick thanked Ernst Hillenbrandt, owner/operator of Fremont Dance Studio, who is celebrating its 50th anniversary of the ballet school.

Knisely thanked the city administration and city crews for their work during the recent rainy weather and the problems it created for the city.

Gross said he has received calls about potholes but he knows street crews will get to it and asked residents to be patient.

Ruiz said she noticed dried shrubs that need to be removed and asked about the collection days.

Stout thanked city for cleaning catch basins, saying she appreciates their work.

Koebel thanked Clerk of Council Joyce Huntley who is retiring and leaving city council; reminded everyone that the Community Relations Committee will meet at the Eastside Fire Station at 6:30 p.m. on May 27 and June 24; May 26 is Memorial Day and residents should reflect on the sacrifices our service men and women.

Law Director Jim Melle said he is happy the mental health levy was approved.

Auditor Paul Grahl reported that the Rec Center can now accept credit cards at the counter and on the website.

The mayor thanked residents for approving mental health levy; thanked St. Mark's Lutheran and other Lutheran churches in community for a recent clean-up day. He said about 350 people participated and raked yards, fixed gutters, cleaned windows -- whatever the homeowner wanted; added that he'd received notice that The Commons, a senior housing complex, received tax credits. He also said that he had had a call and received a letter from state Rep. Rex Damschroder opposing the proposed placement of bird houses at the reservoir. He said the city will look into the request.

Safety Service Director Bob Ward reported that docks are in at reservoir and requested that residents do not take a shortcut between Community Church and Eastside Park since it is tearing up the asphalt in the park. That is not road asphalt, he said. He added that landscaping around city property is delayed due to bad weather.

Wiersma reported that he'd recently attended a service in Toledo for fallen officer.

Foos reported there is a minor hiccup in the graphics for the new truck that was to be delivered mid May, but delivery should be by June 5.

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Treasurer Holly Elder also thanked Hillendbrandt who, she said, has given the community a great gift with his dance studio. She also thanked the Safety Service groups for the mock drunk driving scenario and wished all students a safe prom season.

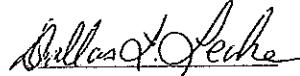
Public comments

Leake thanked voters for mental health levy approval and reported that the Fremont NAACP recently recognized about 100 students recently and thanked Huntley for her service.

There being nothing further to come before council, on motion to adjourn by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.



Clerk of Council



Council President