

# THE CITY OF FREMONT, OHIO

## *Journal of Council*

June 5, 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, Michles, Ruiz and Stout.

The minutes of the May 15, 2014 meeting were approved as written and received.

Add #10 ordinance to the agenda, and item 11 liquor license request by Crystal Arbors.

Third reading of an ordinance establishing a new fund for the Police Dept. for the Dept of Justice Equitable Sharing Program, and declaring an emergency. On motion to adopt by Kreilick, seconded by Knisely motion carried 7 yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3710)

Third 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. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3711)

First reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within General Fund 101, Street Maintenance Fund 222, Water Operating fund 510 and Sewer Operating fund 570, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Knisely, seconded by Stout, motion carried 6 yea votes. Michles voted no. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Gross, motion carried 6 yea votes. Michles voted no. (Ord. 2014-3712)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the mayor to file an application for submission to the Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development, for fiscal year 2014 community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation program, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2014-1937)

First reading of an ordinance adopting the recommendation of the Planning Commission to zone the area accepted for annexation by Ord. 2014-3701 containing 6.4819 acres of land, more or less, as "I-2" General Industrial District. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Gross, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3713)

First reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to enter into a contract with MWH Constructors Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$397,931.00 for consulting services in support of the project to improve the Fremont Water Pollution Control Center in Fremont, State of Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

First reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to enter into a change order with the engineering firm MWH Americas Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$470,000.00 for construction services to improve the Fremont Water Pollution control Center in Fremont, state of Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

First reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to enter into a change order with the engineering firm Stantec Consulting Services Inc., for an increase in the project budget amount not to exceed \$74,000.00 for the Ballville Dam project NEPA compliance in Fremont, state of Ohio, and declaring an emergency. Mayor explained that last year, Stantec had asked the city to increase the cost which council approved. Now they have submitted a new request for more funds, which the mayor said they are claiming to be outside the scope of the original plan. Mayor said he disagrees. However, there is some work for which he feels Stantec should be compensated. He said he cannot recommend that council approves full payment but may recommend they be paid \$7,300. Mayor asked if council would like him to re-negotiated a price with Stantec and bring a new ordinance for approval and council agreed.

President Leake announced that after an interview process with two other council members and the two applicants for the position of Clerk of Council, the position was offered to Stephanie Martin. On motion to approve by Kreilick, seconded by Michles, motion failed 3-4 votes. After some complaints started by Gross, he, Ruiz, Stout and Knisely voted no.

First reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within Capital Improvement Fund 410, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Kreilick, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3714)

On motion to approve liquor license request by Crystal Arbors by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes.

### Committee Reports

Kreilick reported that she received a request for nine water taps from businesses on Hayes Avenue that she would like council to approve tonight. On motion by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes.

### Council Comments

Michles said he was confused by Gross' comment regarding the interview process for the clerk of council's position. Gross replied that he felt left out and doesn't understand why the process operated the way it did. Leake said he feels council should address problems with process with him and not punish the appointee.

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Koebel thanked veterans as the world recognized the 70<sup>th</sup> anniv of D-day invasion during World War 2; he reminded residents of the community gardens across from Streacker Sales; he encouraged residents to participate in the summer concert series; and added that he'd like to see the fishermen who visit Fremont to fish clean up after themselves and asked city officials if they had plans to clean up flood wall area to which the mayor said no because he did not know it needed a clean-up.

The mayor reported that the city was notified that the city and school district was awarded the Safe Routes to School grant for \$384,129, which will be used for work plans – sidewalks also Cedar Street, for 360 safety signs as well as to provide safety tips to kindergarteners to eighth-graders.

Police Chief Tim Wiersma thanked everyone for their support of and concern for the officers injured in the recent accident.

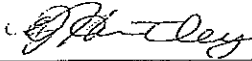
Asst Fire Chief Snyder reported that hydrant flushing is ongoing; that he, Chief Foos, and Zimmerman did a final inspection of the new fire truck, which was in the parking lot for anyone to inspect.

Econ Dev director Smith reminded council of the last day to reply to attend the meeting to present the Big Fremont plan.

### Public comments

Leake addressed the earlier discussion regarding council members' objection to appointing the new clerk of council saying he thought the objections were inappropriate.

There being nothing further to come before council, on motion to adjourn by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yeas. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.



Clerk of Council



Council President