

The regular meeting was called to order by 7:35 p.m. in the form prescribed by the General Rules of council; President Leake called the meeting to order.

- The following members answered roll call: Gross, Knisely, Koebel, Michles, Ruiz, and Stout. Kreilick was absent.
- President Leake asked council member's to make a motion to allow Mrs. Erica Williams to sit as interim council clerk, Stout made the motion, and Ruiz 2nd the motion for interim council clerk. Roll Call – all voted yes
- Mr. Leake asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of June 5, 2014. Ruiz adds the corrections "after some concerns stated by Gross" should be correct language. Mr. Leake accepted the correction and approved the minutes with the amendment.
- Gross made a motion to appoint Stephanie Martin as Council Clerk, Michles 2nd the motion, roll Call – all voted yes. Comments regarding the selection process for Council Clerk were made by Gross and Ruiz. Ruiz thanked Gross, chairman of the Laws, Rules & Ordinance Committee for planning to set up guidelines to use in the future for the selection process for Council Clerk.
- Gross made a motion to add an ordinance to OSS add to the agenda, #7
- Ruiz made a motion to add an ordinance \$11,000
- Stout made a motion to add \$700
- Stout made a motion to remove item #3 from tonight's agenda, Ruiz 2nd the motion. Roll call – all voted yes
- Gross made a motion to rescind the failed motion/vote to appoint Stephanie Martin as Council Clerk, Stout 2nd the motion, Roll Call – all votes yes.
- Gross moved that council appoint Stephanie Martin as Clerk of City Council, Koebel 2nd the motion, Roll Call – all yea votes.
- Chief Wiersma presented officer of the year (2014) to Clayton Holeskey and Civilian of the year (2014) to Christina Johnson.

Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service director to enter into a contract with MWH Constructions 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. (Ord. 2014-____)

Second 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/ (Ord. 2014-____)

First reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within the Municipal Income Tax fund 201 and Criminal Justice fund 255, and declaring an emergency. Knisely made a motion to suspend rule #4, Gross 2nd motion, motion carried six yea votes. Knisely made motion to adopt, Ruiz 2nd motion, motion carried six yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3715)

First reading of an ordinance authorizing an advance of \$9,355.50 from the Municipal Income Tax Fund 201 to the Criminal Justice Fund 255, and declaring an emergency. Knisely move to suspend rule #4, Stout 2nd the motion, motion carried six yea votes. Knisely move to adopt, Ruiz 2nd the motion, motion carried six yea votes. (Ord. 2014-3716)

A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the OSS Solid Waste Management District and declaring an emergency. Knisely made a motion to suspend Rule #4, Gross 2nd motion. Roll Call – all yea votes. (Res/ 2014-1938)

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 \$11,500.00, for the Ballville Dam Project NEPA compliance in Fremont, State of Ohio and declaring an emergency. Knisely made a motion to suspend Rule #4, Ruiz 2nd the motion. Roll Call – 5 yeas, 1 nay. Knisely moved to adopt, Ruiz 2nd. Motion failed. (Ord. 2014-____)

And ordinance authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$700.00 to be used for the public purpose of fostering economic development through the Big Fremont Plan and declaring an emergency. Knisely moved to suspend rule #4, Ruiz 2nd the motion. Roll Call – all yea votes. Gross moved to adopt, Knisely 2nd motion. Roll Call – all yea votes (Ord. 2014-3717)

Committee Reports:

Citizens Committee – Mrs. Ruiz said she has been trying to make arrangements to introduce Wood the K-9 dog and saw that he was at the meeting tonight

Community Partnership – Mr. Knisely read a letter from Dr. McCaudy about the graduation senior of Ross high along with some statistics about the amount of children plans after high school. He also read a letter from Vanguard superintendence about their students.

Finance & Labor – Michels had no report

Government & Economic Development – Mrs. Stout said Mr. Ellis, Mr. Smith and she had a meeting and there will be a quick presentation tonight on the Big Fremont Plan.

Laws, Rules & Ordinance – Gross stated the committee had a public hearing tonight at 7:00 p.m. regarding Player’s Club Café. Mr. Dabish the owner wants city to look into reducing his yearly license fees since new state regulation have been established, the business has dropped dramatically.

Parks & Recreation – Mr. Koebel report that the parks department is now taking credit cards online for activities. 4th of July parade at 10:00 a.m. July 26, 2014 “Splash Jam” inflatable and food, sponsored by the Elks, starts at 12 p.m.

Reminder of citizens to use the dog park. June 22, 2014 Dana Dorsey & Blue notes playing a concert in park and on June 29th Northcoast Concert Band playing.

Council Comments:

Mr. Koebel on July 11, 2014 at 6:300 p.m. a dinner for downtown Fremont being served. It’s a fundraiser and tickets are \$25/ticket. Congrats to the Mayor on his Big Fremont Plan. Wants administration to make a note that city employees need to wear their seatbelts.

Mrs. Stout wanted to thank Mrs. Williams for filling in as interim and congrats to Mrs. Martin on her new position.

Mrs. Ruiz is looking forward to the meeting tomorrow on the Big Fremont Plan and congrats to Mrs. Martin.

Mr. Gross looking forward to Big Fremont meeting and congrats to the FCS staff and teachers on the OAA’s for 3rd graders. 94% pass. Congrats to Jared Ballenger for becoming State Champion in track & field.

Mr. Knisely said the some from Bishop Hoffman Catholic Schools with either be attending the next meeting or sending a report. He stated that citizens are using the reservoir and thanks to the city depts. for keeping up the maintenance because it really looks nice. Congrats to the new council clerk.

Mr. Michels wants citizens to use caution when driving because there are a lot of children on bikes and playing.

May Ellis introduced Travis Cook who is the Eagle Scout wanting to put the bird cages at the reservoir, he handed a letter out from Tom Cashmier, Director of Green Creek Wildlife Society in regards to the birds. Council had concerns but generally think it is a good idea. Scout master Denny Shetzler also made some comments regarding the birds on Travis behalf. Mr. Smith gave a quick presentation on the Big Fremont Plan.

Public Comments:

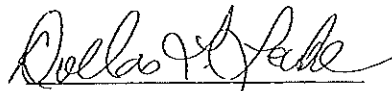
Sara Babione, Janel Terrace wanted to report her concerns that motorists don’t stop at the intersection of Bidwell and Ewing Street and this is a safety hazard. She said that a School of Hope bus had a near miss and wanted to voice her concerns. Chief Wiersma said that he would look into it.

Melanie White, 1000 South St. is the director for NAMI and wanted to than community for voting yes on the Mental Health Levy. June 24th NAMI Mobil touring NW Ohio and will be at Potter Village for one hour to bring awareness to the community.

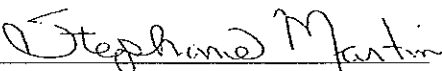
President Leake wanted to congratulate the award recipients tonight and the high school senior who graduated this year. Also to Joyce Huntley, thank you for her service as clerk and thank you to Erica William for her help. Also congratulations to Mrs. Martin on her new position and wanted to discuss the process used to elect her. He state that he just followed the past procedures for the hiring process and expressed his concerns on how Mrs. Martin was treated and should not have been punished for the decision made by council members. Maybe next time if there are concerns then feel free to contact him to discuss it.

There being no further business to come before council, Ruiz moved to adjourn, Knisely 2nd motion. Roll Call – all yeas. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.


Interim Clerk of Council


Council President

Resubmitted with corrections as listed:


Clerk of Council