

THE CITY OF FREMONT, OHIO
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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 Dallas Leake called the meeting to order.

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

The minutes for the council meeting held on August 6, 2015 were approved.

Third reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within Sewer Improvements Fund 590 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve the ordinance: Moved by Gross; Seconded by Ruiz.

Ordinance approved 6-0, Michles voted present. (Ordinance No. 2015-3781)

Third reading of a resolution adopting the Sandusky County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and declaring an emergency.

Motion to approve the ordinance: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Ruiz.

Resolution approved 7-0. (Resolution No. 2015-1955)

First reading of an ordinance amending appropriations within General Fund 101 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend Rule Four: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Ruiz. Approved 7-0.

Motion to approve the ordinance: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Stout.

Ordinance approved 7-0. (Ordinance No. 2015-3782)

First reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the safety service director to enter into a contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$346,856.40 for the 2015 street resurfacing improvements and declaring an emergency.

Motion to wave Rule Four: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Ruiz. Approved 7-0.

Motion to approve the ordinance: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Ruiz.

Ordinance approved 7-0. (Ordinance No. 2015-3783)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the mayor to prepare, sign applications, and enter into contracts for submission to the Ohio Public Works Program (SCIP) and Local transportation Improvement Program (LTIP) Funding for 2016 and declaring an emergency.

Waiver of Rule Four: Moved by Knisely; seconded by Gross. Approved 7-0.

Adoption of the resolution: Moved by Knisely; Seconded by Ruiz.

Approved 7-0. (Resolution No. 2015-1956)

Committee Reports

Citizens' Service Committee - Chairman Ruiz – thanks to members of Beautification Commission for all they do to improve the appearance of the city.

Community Partnership Committee - Chairman Knisely – Fremont City Schools Superintendent Dr. McCaudy will make a presentation to Council at the September 3, 2015 meeting.

Finance and Labor Committee – Chairman Michles - Nothing new to report.

Government and Economic Development Committee – Chairman Stout – Recently attended a TMACOG legislative meeting Penta Career Center that raised many regional issues.

Laws, Rules and Ordinances Committee – Chairman Gross – Nothing new to report.

Recreation Committee – Chairman Koebel – The City swimming pool will close on August 30 and registration is underway for youth and adult volleyball. The Rec Center is offering knocker ball soccer, has posted openings for the ice arena, and on September 20 will co-sponsor the Punt, Throw and Kick competition.

Utilities and Traffic Committee – Chairman Krelick – Nothing new to report.

Elected Officials

Law Director Melle – Glad City Council approved funding request for Drug Task Force.

Treasurer Elder – Nothing new to report.

Mayor Ellis – The Army Corps of Engineers has informed the City of Fremont that it is necessary to conduct further testing of the sediment in the Sandusky River behind the Ballville Dam. Previous tests concluded the sediment presented no threat and it appears the Corps' decision is in response to the law suit brought by the Sierra Club that challenges whether the initial tests were sufficient. Fremont could lose the \$2 million state grant which must be spent on dam removal before the end of September, 2016. In addition, the eventual cost will be higher because of the delay.

Danny Sanchez: Thanks to members of Council for approving the budget request for the Drug Task Force. Heroin addiction shows itself in many ways throughout the community.

President Leake: Thanks to everybody involved in the Dignity and Respect event held during the Downtown Farmers Market. I also commend Fire Chief Dave Foos on his handling of the discussion at the last council meeting about the issue of parking on Collingwood Blvd.

Motion for Adjournment: Moved by Knisely, Seconded by Ruiz. Approved 7-0.