

FREMONT CITY COUNCIL

August 2, 2012

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, with President James Weaver presiding.

The following members answered roll call: Knisely, Kreilick, Leake, Marker, Nalley, and Root. Councilmember Ruiz was absent.

The minutes of the July 19, 2012 meeting were approved as written and received with a correction by Councilmember Kreilick who noted and requested Councilmember Root's name be capitalized in the 9th paragraph.

On a motion by Marker and seconded by Nalley, council amended the agenda with 6 yea votes to add an ordinance to contract with D.L. Smith Concrete & Design LLC regarding streetscape improvements on S. Front Street. This will be item #6 on the agenda.

Third reading of a resolution to appoint a representative and an alternate to serve on the Board of Directors of the Buckeye Ohio Risk Management Association. On motion by Root, seconded by Marker, motion carried 6 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1853)

Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to enter into a change order for an additional amount of \$32,000.00 for the contract with Midwest Compost Inc. for 2012 spent lime lagoon cleaning and declaring an emergency.

First reading of an ordinance to establish an amended investment policy for the City of Fremont, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Nalley seconded by Knisely, motion carried 6 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Root, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 6 yea votes. (Ord. 2012-3595)

First Reading of an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum amount of \$7,250,000 for the purpose of refunding at a lower interest cost certain outstanding various purpose general obligation bonds, series 2003, dated September 15, 2003, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Root, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 6 yea votes. Financial Advisor Steve Santos explained that refinancing the bonds first sold in 2003 will save \$100,000 per year. This would be up to 17% savings annually. The new loan will be at 1.75% while old loan is at about 4%. On motion to adopt by Marker, seconded by Nalley, motion carried 6 yea votes. (Ord. 2012-3596)

First reading of an ordinance to authorize the expenditure and direct the Safety Service Director to contract with D.L. Smith Concrete & Design LLC in the amount of \$56,240 for 2012 streetscape improvements (CDBG), and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Kreilick, seconded by Leake, motion carried 6 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Root, seconded by Marker, motion carried 6 yea votes.

Regarding action on the amended bylaws of City Council, Leake and Kreilick said they were still not comfortable with the time limit allocated to the public to address council. On a motion to adopt By Nalley, seconded by Root. President Weaver stated that with the absence of Councilmember Ruiz, the bylaws will be tabled and placed on the next meeting agenda for a vote of the full council.

Committee reports

Finance Committee Chair Nalley reported that his committee will meet Tuesday, August 7, at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers where there will be a round table discussion with the mayor and auditor. The June financial reports will be used as the basis for discussion.

Marker reported that the next Recreation Board meeting will be Aug. 13.

Kreilick reminded residents about the Aug 15 public meeting on utilities at 6:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center

Council members' comments

Leake reported that a Gospel Fest sponsored by the Fremont NAACP was well attended and thanked those who donated. He said the group distributed 55 bags of school supplies and uniforms, and he especially thanked the Night Riders Motor Cycle group who donated 30 bags of school supplies.

Kreilick said she was happy to report that many out of town guests at her daughter's wedding enjoyed the community.

Root welcomed back Marker and wished Ruiz a quick recovery.

Marker thanked all well-wishers.

Nalley commented on the bylaws discussion noting that the bylaws weren't really used in the past, and added the Tree & Beautification commission meeting would be in basement of city hall on Aug 7, at 7:00 p.m. Nalley reported that he had a Safe Routes to School meeting with Dr. McCaudy, Sarah Serrick & Marc Glotzbecker, and reminded all that the Croghan Days event was set for August 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Birchard Library with all invited.

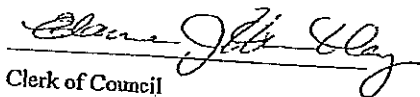
Melle commended former resident Jacob Wukie and a Ross graduate, who won an Olympic silver medal.

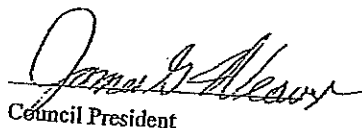
Glotzbecker reported that the city was still taking applications for police officers, and invited council to the physical test on Saturday, Aug 18 at Fremont Ross High School.

Public comments

Joe Michles, 1614 Birchard Ave., asked Melle about the possible \$5 million reimbursement for the dam removal but Melle said he has had no word from ODNR.

There being nothing further to come before council, on motion by Knisely, seconded by Ruiz to adjourn, motion carried 6 yea votes. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.


Clerk of Council


Council President