

# THE CITY OF FREMONT, OHIO

## *Journal of Council*

August 16, 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, Root, and Ruiz.

The minutes of the August 2, 2012 meeting were approved as after a correction was made to include the phrase "amended to strike the word *entire* from the original ordinance" authorizing a change order of \$32,000 for a contract with Midwest Compost Inc.

On a motion by Nalley and seconded by Root, council amended the agenda with 7 yea votes to add an ordinance that would allow for a contract for the sale of bonds to refund the Ohio Police and Firemen's pension fund. This would be item #10 on the agenda.

Third reading of an amended 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. On motion by Root, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Ord. 2012-3598)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the mayor to prepare and sign applications and enter into contracts for submission to the Ohio Public works commission for state capital improvement program (SCIP) and local transportation improvement program (LTIP) funding for 2013, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Nalley and seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Root, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1854)

First Reading of a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$7,300.00 to E&J Construction, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Kreilick and seconded by Leake motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Leake, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1855)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment \$2,178.00 to WSOS CAC Inc., and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Root and seconded by Marker, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Root, seconded by Marker, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1856)

First reading of a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$1,125.00 to Steve Fry Plumbing, Heating, & AC, and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Marker and seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Knisely, seconded by Leake, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1857)

First reading a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$75.00 to First American Title Insurance Co., and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Root and seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Marker, seconded by Knisely, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1858)

First reading a resolution authorizing the approval and issuance of a warrant for payment of \$3,643.00 to WSOS CAC Inc., and declaring an emergency. On motion to suspend rule 4 by Knisely and seconded by Marker, motion carried 7 yea votes. On motion to adopt by Marker, seconded by Ruiz, motion carried 7 yea votes. (Res. 2012-1859)

First reading an ordinance amending Section 171.11 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Fremont, Ohio, regarding collection of unpaid taxes and refunds of overpayments for income tax.

Regarding action on the amended bylaws of City Council, on motion by Nalley and seconded by Root, motion carried 5 yea votes to 2 nay votes. Kreilick and Leake dissented.

First reading of an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$875,000 for the purpose of refunding the Ohio Police and Firemen's Pension Fund, authorizing execution and delivery of a bond registrar agreement and escrow agreement and preparation, use and distribution of preliminary and final official statements, and declaring an emergency.

### Committee reports

Kreilick commented that she appreciated residents' input at the August 15 public meeting on public utilities.

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Finance Committee Chair Nalley reported that his committee met August 7 where there was a round table discussion with the mayor and auditor. The group re-stated the city's financial needs and looked to future. Mayor presented information on the water fund, general fund, and sewer fund and pointed out that reservoir and other water related issues come from water bills. He pointed out that the city will lose \$2 million from the state to the city's budget. He added that finding places to cut to make up that shortfall will be difficult.

Marker reported Rec Board lacked a quorum so was unable to have a meeting in August.

### Council members' comments

Root said he hoped to attend the police physical test on August 18.

Leake said he also appreciated residents' input at pub meeting on city's public utilities and hopes the city administration takes to heart suggestions of residents.

Nalley commented on TMACOG caucus where local legislators attended. He shared that all those legislators said no centralized state tax collection laws will be passed.

Knisely reported that Fremont Got Talent held August 11 was a nice event.

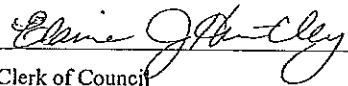
Glitzbecker reported that the city was still taking applications for police officers, and invited council to the physical test on Saturday, Aug 18. He added that there were 23 applicants for an advertised water operator position.

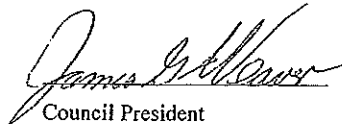
Mayor Jim Ellis compliment Police Chief for his part in drug arrests recent and added that there was a Big Fremont meeting on August 23. He also thanked residents for their ideas suggestions at the public meeting on utilities. He added that the deadline to get an application to OWDA for funds to complete reservoir was passed due to no agreement with HM Miller, Next chance will be in the Fall; a sewer line at Arch and Garrison streets fell in and is crumbling along Arch; he has signed a natural gas aggregation similar to electric aggregation that starts Sept 1 and will send residents a letter about it shortly. Those who sign up for the aggregation will have bills 7% lower than others.

### Public comments

Joe Michels, 1614 Birchard Ave., asked Nalley about the process for choosing the person responsible for refinancing city's bonds. Nalley said his understanding is that the person has been one who has a proven record with this topic and has had good results for the city in the past. Michaels also suggested that city council members be prepared to address a response for ODNR regarding the dam removal.

There being nothing further to come before council, on motion by Root, seconded by Knisely, to adjourn, motion carried 7 yea votes. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

  
Clerk of Council

  
Council President