

WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR

JUNE 26,

07

PRESENT: Mayor Gilman, Councilmembers Jim Bowers, Angie Fryman, Jody Jones, Harold Robinson and Jeff Sanner; City Manager G. Tracy Williams; Law Director Lori Kirkwood; Director of City Planning Greg Gaines, Service Director Rich Norton, Director of Economic Development, Fire Chief Keister, Police Chief Rick Barnhart, Deputy Police Chief Doug Woodard and Assistant Clerk of Council Alicia Waymire.

EXCUSED: Councilmember Linda Lotspaih

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gilman. Pastor Mark Scroggins, First Baptist Church, gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call followed.

**MINUTES**

Mrs. Fryman motioned, seconded by Mr. Sanner to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 12, 2007. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Fryman – yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers – yes, Mrs. Jones – abstain, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman -abstain.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**WEST CARROLLTON RELAY FOR LIFE**  
**JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup> AND 30<sup>TH</sup>**

Mayor Gilman read the Proclamation about the Relay for Life, to be held on June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE 3346**

An Ordinance Amending Section 150.05, Plan Review Fee Schedule for Construction Under the Ohio Building Code, Section 150.06, Plan Review Fee Schedule Under the Residential Code of Ohio, Section 150.07, Permit Fee Schedules, and Section 150.61, Permit, Plan, and Inspection, of the Code of Ordinances.

Mr. Gaines indicated that this is a series of updates to various permit fees. The last update on these had been done in 2001 and staff had conducted a survey of the surrounding cities. These increases will keep us consistent with other cities, and is to cover our administrative costs.

**ORDINANCE #3347**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 157, Fees for Land Usage Applications, of the Code of Ordinances.

Mr. Gaines indicated that this is a land use update. The last update on these had been done in the early 1990's and staff had conducted a survey of the surrounding cities. This increase will keep us consistent with other cities, and is to cover our administrative costs.

**REPORTS BY OFFICERS**

Mr. Williams stated that he had met with the executive director of RTA, and RTA had indicated that they would be moving the bus off of Elm Street onto Alex Road sometime in August. He stated that RTA had indicated that there were a couple of possibilities they were working on to service the area on Central and Elm.

He reminded the residents that the Public Open House about Exit 47 would be held tomorrow from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. This meeting is being held by ODOT and the consultants who are working on the plan updates for Exit 47. Mr. Williams indicated that a comment form will be available for people to complete with their comments or questions.

He indicated that they had held a bid opening for the Annual Curb and Sidewalk program, and the bid had been awarded to R.A. Miller Construction out of Hamilton in the amount of \$194,371.00. He stated the Mr. Norton had indicated that more people had taken advantage of having the work done by the city and having it assessed to their property taxes.

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He concluded by reminding everyone that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival will be held Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at Wilson Park. He thanked the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee for all their work and encouraged everyone to attend. He indicated that West Carrollton and Moraine would be holding the fireworks on July 4 at 10:00 p.m. at the Low Dam. He thanked Moraine for their help in providing the fireworks.

### UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Mayor Gilman made a motion to have a public hearing to discuss the issue of the RTA route on Elm Street. There was no second to this motion.

### COMMENTS BY AUDIENCE

None

### COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Mrs. Fryman wished everyone a Happy and Safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. She encouraged everyone to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival stating that it would be a really great time. She reminded everyone that the festival would be from 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. She thanked the City of Moraine for inviting them to participate in the Heritage Festival Parade.

Mr. Bowers indicated that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival was bigger this year; they have 46 vendors, a Car Show, Corn Toss Tournament, Apple Pie Contest and much more. He stated that this will be quite an event and encouraged everyone to come out and join the festivities. He concluded by reminding everyone that the Relay for Life would be held June 29 starting at 6:00 p.m. and concludes at noon on June 30. He encouraged everyone to participate in this worthwhile event.

Mrs. Jones encouraged everyone to come out to the festival stating that it would be a fun family event.

Mr. Robinson asked about an update on the Farmersville-West Carrollton Road issue. Mr. Williams indicated that DLZ is currently still working on that and updating maps for FEMA and we are right on track.

Mr. Robinson asked Mr. Ferguson to come to the podium to help him talk about a project they are embarking on related to the Wright Brothers. He indicated that he and Mr. Ferguson had met with Mr. Maine from the Wright Brothers Museum and had been told that Orville Wright had flown the first seaplane on the Miami River in West Carrollton. Mr. Maine felt that something should be done to promote this historical landmark and get it added to the Aviation Trail. Mr. Ferguson produced a picture showing Orville Wright standing in the Miami River working on a plane.

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Mr. Ferguson talked about why the Wright Brothers chose this area to test fly and how they went about accomplishing this.

Mr. Robinson stated that he, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Maine had met at the Miami and Erie Canal Park, which is where the Wright Brothers flew the seaplane. Mr. Robinson stated that he felt this was a wonderful way to promote West Carrollton as another landmark in the Dayton Area and indicated that they would be pursuing this to try and get some sort of museum or monument to commemorate this important fact in history.

Mr. Ferguson indicated that this was an important piece of the Aviation Trail puzzle and it needs to be put into the Aviation Trail.

Mayor Gilman thanked Mr. Sanner for conducting the last meeting in her absence. She stated that she had received some information on a seminar for women that will be held June 29 and July 27 entitled "Women and Money." This seminar is free and will be held at the Hope Hotel from 8:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. She stated that she would leave the information with the city offices and anyone wanting more information should contact the city.

She stated that she had received a call from a resident who had stated that she had been riding the RTA bus up Elm Street and had been told by the bus driver that RTA would be moving the route to Alex Road. She stated that the caller was concerned because she and her daughter ride the bus to work and if the bus route changes they would have no way to get to work. Mayor Gilman indicated that she felt that they should have a public hearing to discuss this issue before the bus route gets changed. She stated that 164 people had signed a petition and she felt that council had an obligation to listen to the residents who need this bus service. Mr. Robinson indicated that council had already decided how they wanted this issue to be resolved and he didn't feel a public hearing was necessary.

Mayor Gilman thanked Moraine for helping with the fireworks and indicated that they had provided the fireworks alone for a few years while West Carrollton had been in financial distress.

### RECESS

Mayor Gilman motioned, seconded by Mr. Sanner to recess to an executive session as per Ohio Revised Code 121.22 Section G3, to be followed by a work session to discuss the items on the agenda, to be followed by another executive session as per Ohio Revised Code 121.22 Section G1. A unanimous roll call carried the motion.

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### EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRESENT: Mayor Gilman, Councilmembers Jim Bowers, Angie Fryman, Jody Jones, Harold Robinson and Jeff Sanner; City Manager G. Tracy Williams; Law Director Lori Kirkwood and Police Chief Rick Barnhart. Following the executive session Lori Kirkwood and Chief Rick Barnhart left.

### WORK SESSION

#### APPLETON PAPERS

Kevin Miller an engineer with the engineering firm of LJB and Brian Knue the manager for engineering maintenance and utilities at Appleton were present for this discussion. Also Rich Norton, Service Department Director, attended this session. Discussion was held about the \$100 million plus improvements which Appleton Papers will be making to their plant. In conjunction with these improvements they will be making improvements to the site including a proposal to move the entrance on Alex-Bell Road further to the east toward I-75 and to install a traffic signal on Alex-Bell Road to allow better access in and out of the paper mill. The engineers explained that their studies have shown that the proposed traffic signal on Alex-Bell Road is sufficiently far enough away from the railroad not to cause any problems. Brian indicated further that Appleton will be paying the entire cost of this new traffic signal on Alex-Bell Road. Kevin Miller, with LJB, reviewed this proposed traffic signal on Alex-Bell Road and indicated that their engineering analysis indicated that this entrance to Appleton would warrant a traffic signal and that they saw no problems with the installation of this light based on the traffic engineering studies they have conducted. After reviewing and discussing this matter the city council indicated they had no objections to the installation of this traffic signal in order to provide better access to and from the paper mill. Brian Knue from Appleton also noted that they would be diverting all of their truck traffic to the entrance located on Alex Road near Gibbons Road. He also noted that future plans call for relocating access for the trucks to the traffic signal on Alex Road that is used in conjunction with the UPS driveway.

Following discussion of this matter Kevin Miller, Brian Knue and Rich Norton left.

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### VACANT LOTS OWNED BY THE CITY

The city manager discussed the possibility of selling the remaining vacant lot which the city purchased earlier this year for the Green House Project. He noted that one of the lots has been selected for the Green House Project and that two of the lots have been purchased by County Corp. City council indicated that they were interested in pursuing sale of the remaining lot and the city manager said he would advertise and take bids for this sale of the remaining property.

### PUBLIC HEALTH – DAYTON & MONTGOMERY COUNTY

The city manager distributed a copy of a proposed lease agreement with Public Health for the children's health clinic on Locust Street. Williams noted that Public Health is still reviewing this draft agreement and that he would place it on the agenda as soon as Public Health is ready to proceed.

### COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Councilmember Harold Robinson inquired about Miamisburg's fund for business relocation. Williams noted that the city's economic development fund provides the opportunity, where appropriate, for the city to provide assistance to businesses relocating to the City of West Carrollton. Also, it was noted that the wording on proclamations has been revised to reflect that the proclamation is issued on behalf of the city council as well as the mayor.

Mayor Gilman spoke briefly about Make a Difference Day and shared information with city council concerning this event.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Those present for this executive session were City Manager Williams and the City Council. Following executive session a motion was made Councilmember Angie Fryman and seconded by Councilmember Jim Bowers to reconvene to regular session. Motion was approved.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Jody Jones and seconded by Deputy Mayor Jeff Sanner and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CLERK OF COUNCIL