

WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR

SEPTEMBER 11,

07

PRESENT: Mayor Gilman, Councilmembers Jim Bowers, Angie Fryman, Jody Jones, Linda Lotspaih, Harold Robinson, and Jeff Sanner; City Manager G. Tracy Williams; Law Director Lori Kirkwood; Service Director Rich Norton; Parks & Recreation Director Christian Mattingly; Human Resources Manager Sherry Callahan; Police Chief Rick Barnhart, Deputy Police Chief Doug Woodard, and Assistant Clerk of Council Alicia Waymire.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gilman. Pastor Ed Doolin, Chaplain, WCPD, gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call followed. National Anthem was sung by the West Carrollton High School Vocal Expression, Mr. Brian Coleman, Director.

MINUTES

Mrs. Lotspaih motioned, seconded by Mr. Sanner to approve the Regular meeting minutes of August 28, 2007. A roll call vote was taken: Mayor Gilman –yes, Linda Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones –yes, Mr. Robinson –yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL ANTHEM PROJECT DAY

Mayor Gilman read the proclamation declaring September 14, 2007 as National Anthem Project Day. She presented Brian Coleman with the proclamation and thanked the students for singing the National Anthem.

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

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NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #14-2007

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Joint Construction Agreement With the City of Moraine for the Construction of Improvements for the Springboro Pike (SR 741) Streetscape Project and Approving a Joint Expenditure by the cities of West Carrollton and Moraine for Construction and Design Costs in the Estimated Total Amount of \$474,505.50.

Mr. Norton gave a brief PowerPoint Presentation on this project. He stated that this project would be bid out next summer and that Moraine would be the lead agent in the project with West Carrollton reimbursing Moraine. After the federal funds of \$276,000 are paid toward the project, West Carrollton would be looking at paying \$80,000.

Mr. Robinson motioned seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Resolution #14-2007. A roll call vote was taken: Mayor Gilman –yes, Linda Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones –yes, Mr. Robinson –yes.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Mr. Williams stated that the Police Department open house went well, and stated that he would defer to Chief Barnhart to talk about it in depth.

Chief Barnhart talked about the 2 year process to build the expansion and said that approximately 200 people had come through during the open house. He talked about the state-of-the-art equipment they have in the training room, and the new features and rooms they have added during the expansion. He stated that the training room would be used for monthly meetings, and surrounding police enforcement groups would be using the facility with them during training, making maximum use of the facility.

He thanked the citizens for all their support, he also thanked the Mayor, Council, Tracy Williams, John Poe Architects, Joe Becks, the site foreman, Jim, City Services – Rich Norton, Maureen Parsons, Renee Snodgrass, the Parks and Recreation Department and the men and women of the Police Department. He thanked his family for putting up with him through the whole process, and Deputy Chief Woodard for all his diligent work.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Mrs. Fryman motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to appoint Diane Ullery and Cynthia Holmes to the City Beautiful Commission. A roll call vote was taken: Mayor Gilman –yes, Linda Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones –yes, Mr. Robinson –yes.

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Mrs. Fryman motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to appoint Tammy Russell to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A roll call vote was taken: Mayor Gilman –yes, Linda Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones –yes, Mr. Robinson –yes.

COMMENTS BY AUDIENCE

Rebecca Lucas

Wanted to let the citizens and Council know that she felt that Exit 47 would not make or break West Carrollton. The people of West Carrollton will make or break the city. She stated that she was pleased with the projects and the spirit and the progress of the city. She stated that West Carrollton is not dying but is on the upswing. She thanked Council for allowing her to be a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals and allowing them to attend regional training seminar series.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Mrs. Lotspaih thanked the Police Department for the Open House and stated that it was a well deserved facility. She stated that City Beautiful Commission would be holding the annual Holiday Festival on the first Saturday in December. She stated that CBC had its meetings the third Thursday of the month at the Civic Center at 7:00 p.m. and encouraged residents to come out and participate in the Holiday Festival.

Mrs. Fryman thanked the Police Department for the Open House and stated that it was nice to hear citizens say the money was well spent. She thanked Mr. Robinson for pushing for the latest technology for the expansion.

Mr. Sanner congratulated the Police Department on the expansion and renovation and stated it was well worth the time.

Mr. Bowers congratulated the Police Department and stated it was a wonderful facility.

Mrs. Jones congratulated the Police Department on their Open House, stating that the facility was much needed and that she could tell the officers were proud of their new facility.

Mr. Robinson stated that you could indeed tell that the officers were proud of the new facility.

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Mr. Robinson stated that he had heard that MVRPC was looking at giving some projects additional money and Mr. Norton indicated that this project, along with Alex Road Traffic Signals and the Gibbons Road project were awarded an additional 5% in funding. He indicated that they were asking for applications for the next round of funding, and he and his department were getting ready to get those applications in.

Mayor Gilman thanked the Police Department for a wonderful Open House, she stated that she'd been in the new section but hadn't taken a tour before and the tour was wonderful. She stated that Canterbury Court would be having their annual garage sale on Saturday, October 6, which is also Garage Sale Saturday in West Carrollton. She indicated that Canterbury Court would also be having a bazaar in November.

RECESS

Mayor Gilman motioned, seconded by Mr. Sanner to recess a work session to discuss the items on the agenda, to be followed by an Executive Session as Per Ohio Revised Code 121.22 section G1. A unanimous roll call carried the motion.

WORK SESSION

PRESENT: Mayor Gilman, Councilmembers Jim Bowers, Angie Fryman, Jody Jones, Linda Lotspaih, Harold Robinson, and Jeff Sanner; City Manager G. Tracy Williams; Law Director Lori Kirkwood; and Parks & Recreation Director Christian Mattingly.

CITY COUNCIL SOUND SYSTEM

Christian Mattingly, Parks & Recreation Director and Rich LaRue, from the Miami Valley Communications Council, discussed the proposed improvements to the sound system for the Council Chambers. After discussing this matter and deciding on additional needed improvements Council authorized staff to proceed with making the changes to improve the sound system in the Council Chambers. Following discussion on this matter Christian Mattingly and Rich LaRue left.

ANNUAL BUSINESS APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

City Council authorized staff to proceed with plans to hold the Annual City Business Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday, November 8th, 2007 at 7:30 a.m.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

City Council authorized City Manager Williams to employ the services of Jeff Bothwell to service as an Economic Development Consultant to assist during the interim period until a new Economic Development Director is employed. Mr. Bothwell will be working with for the city approximately two days per week.

HISTORIC MARKER FOR WOODY'S MARKET

City Council discussed the proposed wording for the historic marker to be installed in the vicinity of Alex-Bell Road and Dixie Drive to provide a permanent remembrance for Woody's Market. City Manager Williams said that staff would proceed to submit a grant application to the state.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Mayor Gilman commented briefly on the Ohio Digital Government Summit Conference to be held and also reminded Council that they needed to sign up for the 2nd Annual Greater Dayton Conference on Youth if they had not already done so. Mayor Gilman also noted that the Mayors Awards for volunteer service will be given out at the November 27th City Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following discussion on this matter, City Council recessed to an executive session.

At the conclusion of the executive session Councilmember Jody Jones moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Jeff Sanner to reconvene into regular session.

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.

MAYOR

CLERK OF COUNCIL