

PRESENT: Mayor Maxine Gilman; Council Members, Jim Bowers, Mrs. Fryman, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lotspaih, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Sanner; Law Director Patrick G. Carney, Service Director Rich Norton, Finance Director Tom Reilly, Police Chief Rick Barnhart, Deputy Police Chief Doug Woodard, and Assistant Clerk of Council Alicia Waymire.

Excused: City Manager Tracy Williams

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gilman. Pastor Ken Duke, West Carrollton Assembly of God, 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 May 9, 2006. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Jones –yes, Mr. Robinson –yes, Mayor Gilman –yes, Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Sanner –yes, Mr. Bowers -yes. The motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

NATIONAL SMALL CITIES AND TOWNS DAY

Mayor Gilman read a proclamation proclaiming June 10, 2006, as National Small Cities and Towns Day.

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

MR. KOUSEFF

Mr. Kouseff asked God to watch over the troops, and bring them home safely. Encouraged residents to support the American economy and conserve gas.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS.

ORDINANCE NO. 3322

An ordinance replacing the current One, Two, and Three Family Residential Dwelling Code adopted via ordinance with the Residential Code of Ohio as adopted by the Ohio Board of Building Standards, and establishing a Residential Board of Appeals, to be effective May 27, 2006.

Held for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 3323

An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of West Carrollton, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, amending Section 2 of Ordinance No. 3313, and repealing any ordinances in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Fryman motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Ordinance No. 3323. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2006

A resolution accepting the report of the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Housing Council concerning the status of properties currently receiving tax exemptions.

Mr. Bowers introduced and motioned, seconded by Mrs. Fryman to approve Resolution No. 9-2006. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2006

A resolution accepting the report of the Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC) concerning the status of properties currently receiving tax exemptions.

Mr. Robinson introduced and motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve Resolution No. 10-2006. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 3324

An ordinance amending Chapter 93, known as Trees, Weeds, and Grasses; Chapter 150, known as Building Code- "Nuisances Relative to Premises"; and Chapter 158, known as the Property Maintenance Code of West Carrollton, to increase the administrative fee and specifically include it in the relevant Sections of the codified ordinances of the City of West Carrollton.

Held for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 3325

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to advertise for bids for the purchase of city vehicles and to expend a sum in excess of \$25, 000 therefore.

Mr. Robinson motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to dispense with the second reading of Ordinance No. 3325. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

Mrs. Jones motioned, seconded by Mr. Bowers to approve Ordinance No. 3325. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES OF A PLANNING CONSULTANT

Mrs. Fryman motioned, seconded by Mrs. Jones to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the services of a planning consultant with Jeff Bothwell. A roll call vote was taken: Mrs. Lotspaih –yes, Mrs. Fryman –yes, Mr. Bowers –yes, Mrs. Jones- yes, Mr. Robinson – yes, Mayor Gilman - yes. The motion carried.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Mr. Williams talked about the agreement with County Corp to refurbish houses in the older section, and their willingness to make loans available etc. He indicated that Miami Valley Cable Council was going to do a television show which would be a West Carrollton version of "This Old House" in half hour segments showing some of the renovations, and there would also be a spotlight on Take A Closer Look. He indicated that he felt this would be very positive for the city.

Mr. Williams indicated that bids had been opened for the new slide at Wilson Pool, and that Parks and Recreation staff would be installing a new 100 foot long slide.

He spoke about the 1st Suburbs of Ohio, 1st Tier Suburbs, and that they are addressing issues facing older communities. At the last monthly meeting, they voted to support the Exit 46 project, and indicated that they would write letters of support. He thanked this group for their support.

Mr. Williams gave an update on the grants from MVRPC, indicating that over 1 million had been awarded in the following increments:

- o \$500,000 for construction of Exit 47
- o \$309,694 for Exit 47 for enhancement phase of Exit 47 (landscaping, etc.)
- o \$216,923 for Gibbons Road enhancement between Alex and Elm Street. (landscaping, etc) which would not take place until the road work had been completed.

Mr. Williams concluded by expressing gratitude to all who were honored, and thanked David Humphreys for all his dedication and service to the city, stating he would be missed.

Mr. Carney congratulated all who were honored, and thanked David for the opportunity to work with him over the years.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

None

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Dobson

Addressed council regarding the sign code ordinance, stating that he felt it was solid as it was. In regards to the political sign issue, he reiterated that he understood that political signs are permitted in yards, 60 days prior through 2 days after, with 1 sign on normal lots, and 2 signs on corner lots. He concluded that he felt changing the political sign regulations would infringe on the freedom of political expression.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Mrs. Lotspaih congratulated Brian Neiford and the three heroes. She indicated that she was impressed to know that there are people who still care. Mrs. Lotspaih thanked the 1st Tier Suburbs for their support. She indicated that David Humphreys would be missed, and said she had fond memories of Bulgaria, and thanked him for his involvement to help them. She concluded by stating that she had voted for the budget, and that council had agreed to look quarterly at the budget to see where expenditures stand. She thanked Mr. Reilly for his help and support with the budget.

Mrs. Fryman congratulated the three heroes and said they give a whole new meaning to community policing. She also thanked 1st Tier Suburbs for their support. She spoke about the 4th of July Committee, indicating that it was getting to be quite large. The committee

will be meeting the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 in the Civic Center, Council Chambers. She concluded by stating that she felt David Humphreys was very fair, and always tried to get everyone to see both sides of everything.

Mr. Bowers congratulated the three heroes and indicated that we couldn't ask for a better example of community involvement. He extended his congratulations to Alex Lewis, and thanked David Humphreys for all his work and dedication. He concluded by thanking 1st Tier Suburbs for their support.

Mrs. Jones congratulated all who were honored, and indicated that if she ever needed anyone, she hoped the three heroes were around. She thanked David Humphreys for all his work, and wished him Good Luck.

Mr. Robinson stated that the honorees made him proud to be a part of this community. He stated that he was proud of the Lewis family, and the Police Department. He indicated that the three citizens honored were very brave, and truly heroes. He indicated that David would be missed and will be a great asset to the community in Maryland.

Mayor Gilman read a letter from the United Way thanking the city offices for their support. She extended a thanks to Libby Storer and Tom Reilly for their work on the United Way Campaign. She congratulated Chief Barnhart on getting the new radar equipment. She indicated that she is always pleased when she receives compliments on the Police Department, and indicated that she had received praise regarding Officer Apple and Officer Jarman for their compassion to a family who had lost a loved one. She indicated that two detectives had received a commendation from the Drug Task Force.

Mayor Gilman thanked Joe McKenzie for filming the council meeting, and indicated that the League of Women Voters directory lists the council meeting at 7:30, it had been published prior to the time change for the meeting. She indicated that County Corp was sponsoring a home show on April 1 at Sinclair College. She reminded residents that daylight savings time would start this weekend, and to turn the clocks forward. She concluded by reading safety tips from Fred Pickle, reminding residents to change the batteries in their smoke detectors.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mayor Gilman, seconded by Mrs. Jones, 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. A unanimous roll call vote carried the motion.

Council adjourned.

