

Parma City Council
Regular Council Minutes
April 27, 2015

A Regular City Council Meeting was held on Monday, April 27, 2015 at 7:30pm at Parma City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Nathan Leigh, Council Members Keith Vickers, Jim Smith, Oney Eguia, Doyle Fisher, Angie Lee, and Tom Smith

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Jill Holinka, City Attorney; Russell Brooks, City Engineer; Ken Steinhaus, Public Works Supervisor; Albert Erickson, Chief of Police; Garianne Goslin, Deputy City Clerk

VISITORS: Jim Egger, Fred & Lila Faulks

MINUTES: The Minutes of the April 13, 2015 Public Hearing and Regular Council Meeting were read for approval. Keith Vickers moved for approval. Doyle Fisher seconded the motion, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Fred Faulks commented on the weed situation at the Allender property. Mayor Leigh indicated that some clean-up has been done and there are plans to remove some of the trees. Lila Faulks asked if there were a way to “twist his arm” to get the property cleaned up. Thus far, the City has done what it is legally able to. Chief Erickson asked what the billing rate for the work done on the property is as about 40 hours have been put into it so far. That rate has yet to be determined. The City will continue to work on the weeds and trees. Jill Holinka stated that there are some risks in condemning the property. Tom Smith asked how to attach the costs to the taxes paid at the county. Ms. Holinka stated that there could be an opportunity to do that because of the nuisance. She will check into it.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – JIM EGGLER: Mr. Egger wanted to discuss the situation at the corner of 10th and Fisk. There are a lot of cars, trucks, trailers, boats, etc parked on the roadway and in the yard. Also, at 7th and Fisk, there is a fence that stands too tall for a corner lot. There are several cars that have not been moved in years. Finally, Parma Rd has a speed limit of 35 mph with vehicles going well above that limit. He would like to see more enforcement. Doyle Fisher pointed out that the same is true for Ball Avenue.

Angie Lee asked what a speed trailer would cost. Chief Erickson informed Council that they cost about \$7,000 but he is working on a grant to obtain one. He is also working on an unmarked car. Chief is even willing to get a life-size cut-out to put in an empty vehicle.

WATER BILL DISPUTE – KAY WILLIAMS: Mrs. Williams called City Hall the afternoon before the Council Meeting and stated that she would not be attending. She did not state why.

FISCAL YEAR 2013/14 AUDIT REPORT – JO BOLIN: Ms. Bolin asked if everyone had an opportunity to review it. She stated that it looks better than last year and that the City Clerk/Treasurer Angie Mejia is doing a very good job.

On page 3, the table shows the working capital and percent to expenditures exceeds the recommended 30% minimum.

The water bond requirement with revenue at least 1.1 times the annual debt service was met for both 2013 and 2014 at 1.737 and 2.037 respectively.

The sewer bond, having the same revenue to annual debt service requirement was not for either year, with .35 and .70 respectively.

Neither bond has an adequate cash reserve. Because financial conditions can change rapidly, it is necessary to continually monitor each and make adjustments as needed.

Overall, the City is fiscally sound.

STREET SWEEPER PURCHASE:

Ken Steinhaus spoke with Ray at Metroquip to see what possible terms he would be willing to give the City. Mr. Steinhaus believes that we have the funds in Capital Outlay and would like to purchase the sweeper outright and save the \$588 in interest that would be charged over the course of 6-months. Keith Vickers moved to make the purchase at \$39,800. Tom Smith seconded the motion, motion carried by roll call: Tom Smith – yes, Keith Vickers – yes, Jim Smith – yes, Angie Lee – yes, Oney Eguia – yes, Doyle Fisher – yes.

CONTINUATION OF WATER FEE INCREASE – RESOLUTION 2015-6:

Mayor Leigh delivered new tables to each Council member last week for review before this meeting. Council was agreeable to one of the two bottom tables, the primary difference being the cost of the extra 1,000 gallons. Keith Vickers was in favor of leaving the gallons at 3,000 per month. Doyle Fisher wanted to give the users the 4,000 gallons.

Doyle Fisher moved to approve the rates represented in the last table. Tom Smith seconded the motion, motion failed.

Doyle Fisher moved to approve monthly minimums as represented in the last table, minus the base rate and volumetric rate. Keith Vickers seconded the motion, motion carries.

PARKING ORDINANCE 575: Mayor Leigh pointed to the areas that had been changed based on previous discussions. Keith Vickers asked if this Ordinance had enforcement. Jill Holinka showed where the enforcement is addressed and said that fines can be approved by resolution. Chief Erickson gave some recommended amounts to Ms. Holinka. Motion was made by Angie Lee to suspend the three reading rule and read by Title only. Keith Vickers seconded the motion, motion carried.

Doyle Fisher moved to adopt Parking Ordinance 575 with the noted changes. Jim Smith seconded the motion, motion carried by roll call: Tom Smith – yes, Keith Vickers – yes, Jim Smith – yes, Angie Lee – yes, Oney Eguia – yes, Doyle Fisher – yes.

HOLD HARMLESS & INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT – 412 S ROSWELL BLVD:
Mayor Leigh expressed the need to enter into this agreement as the water meter is too close to the foundation. This agreement holds the City harmless for any damage caused by the meter.

Angie Lee moved to allow Mayor Leigh to sign the Hold Harmless & Indemnification Agreement for 412 S Roswell Blvd. Jim Smith seconded the motion, motion carried.

MAYOR REPORT

- A. Memorial Day Council Meeting: Angie Lee moved to cancel the Memorial Day meeting. Oney Eguia seconded the motion, motion carried.

- B. Airport Inspection Update: The three year inspection went well. All the lighting was brought down along with two beacons and a new sock. The lights should be installed by the end of summer.

ADJOURNMENT:

Keith Vickers moved to adjourn at 8:42pm. Oney Eguia seconded the motion, motion carried.