

MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 15

The Municipality of Germantown Council met in regular session on October 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Stephen Boeder, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Lynn Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Robert Rettich, IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Mark Heistand was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Anna Sizemore, Municipal Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Terry Klein, Finance Director; Roy McGill, Chief of Police; Matt Burns, Police Major and one visitor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor and Council reviewed the September 21, 2015 Regular Session minutes.

MOTION: Mr. Johnson moved to approve the September 21, 2015 Regular Session minutes as submitted.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

None.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Sizemore announced that Trick-or-Treat will be Saturday, October 31 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. The Lions Club Costume Contest should follow at 8:00 in Veterans Park.

At the last meeting she had informed Council of the five rail road crossings that the city has been asked to install stop signs at. She contacted the company for additional information and was informed that the state changed the intersections from a yield sign to a stop sign. We will not be moving forward with the legislation until we receive a notice to proceed. She will get a map with the locations of the signage to Council.

Council briefly discussed the amount of traffic on the rail road tracks and the current signage/gates at the intersections.

She thanked everyone who made the Twisted Pretzel Ride, the Pretzel Festival and the Beer Garden a possibility. There will be a meeting to discuss the donations from the Twisted Pretzel Ride soon.

Mr. Johnson suggested that the City look into the future of the Pretzel Festival. Mrs. Sizemore replied that she was told that they have had several volunteers interested in helping with future Pretzel Festivals. She will contact the committee for information regarding their meetings.

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Under Introduction is Resolution No. 15-59 which is the adoption of the 2016-2018 Capital Program. She reviewed the changes from last year.

Under Public Hearing is Resolution No. 15-55 which is the monthly transfer of the first and second quarter Cable Franchise Fees in the amount of \$5,527.63. Resolution No. 15-56 is to enter into a contract with Zimmerman Concrete Construction to complete 56 handicap ramps throughout the city. This is in the amount of \$48,350.00. Ordinance No. 15-57 levies an assessment on a property for grass and weed cutting. Resolution No. 15-58 which is the monthly transfer of funds for September in the amount of \$5,228.02.

She reviewed various maps showing the proposed work that needs to be done to the streets and how the Municipality plans to pay for the repairs; with grants or funds. The maps were created by the Municipal Engineer and she would like to have them on display at the Municipal Building, copies for the residents to pick up and on the website. These maps will be on display during the Street Levy meeting at the Senior Center.

Mr. Wafzig questioned if additional information could be gathered for the Street Levy meeting. Mrs. Sizemore replied that she will have additional information for the public at that meeting.

Mr. Rettich questioned if the purchase of a new street sweeper should had been included in the Capital Program or if we are looking at having someone do this service for the City. Mrs. Sizemore replied that the price of a new street sweeper would be over \$100,000. We are currently looking at having another community provide that service.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Law Director stated he attended the Pretzel Festival and had a good time.

He is waiting on a response from the County regarding the letter he had sent for a buyout for the current dispatch contract. He will let Council know as soon as he has the information.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief McGill stated that he is planning on having the body camera presentation at the next meeting. He apologized for the delay.

There was a preliminary meeting at Centerville to discuss the regional dispatch and at that meeting they discussed a buyout cost of approximately \$125,000 to \$150,000.

Mr. Rettich questioned if that buyout price was just for the police department or both the police and fire departments combined. Chief McGill replied that he was not sure. They are looking into other options to use neighboring jurisdictions radio frequency.

We have nearly completed our in house computer network project.

He stated that the body cameras are really not expensive but what can be very expensive is the storage of the data that is retrieved from the cameras.

Mr. Rettich questioned why we have so many officers in the Police Department and he understood that the officer to patrolman would be more equal after the recent retirement of staff. Chief McGill explained the rank of the officers and the staff. He will provide a list of each Officer and their responsibilities and duties to Council.

Mayor Boeder stated that the Police Department did an excellent job covering the Twisted Pretzel Bike Tour.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Boeder stated that October is annual Breast Cancer Awareness month and he encouraged all women to have the necessary exams.

He congratulated the Pretzel Festival Committee for a well done event.

He attended the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission meeting. He has asked the Manager to look into the bike share program for Germantown and we will discuss it at a later date.

The Manager and he met with members of the County Administration regarding the dispatch fees. They discussed the increased cost for Germantown and the funding for other dispatch centers.

He spoke with Channel 2 regarding the street levy that failed. He has been in contact with them again to help promote the street levy in the upcoming election.

There will be a work session tonight to discuss the Camp Miami RFP.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT:

Mr. Johnson's Report:

Mr. Johnson congratulated and thanked all those involved with the success of the Pretzel Festival.

He thanked the staff at Sycamore Hospital for the professional care he received during his visit.

Mr. Koogle's Report:

Mr. Koogle congratulated the Pretzel Festival committee for doing a fabulous job.

The Senior Oversight Committee will be meeting this Thursday. He has had excellent feedback regarding the new Director and is anxious to meet her.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

None.

Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich thanked the Pretzel Festival Committee and everyone that helped out.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig stated that one of his coworkers attended the Pretzel Festival for the first time this year and said they were impressed and would be returning to visit the shops in the downtown area.

He went on by thanking the Pretzel Festival Committee for all their hard work not only during the event but throughout the year. He thanked those involved with the Twisted Pretzel Tour for their hard work. He went on by thanking the City staff and Police Departments for all their assistance.

Mr. Johnson suggested getting the Pretzel Festival included in the pamphlet that is distributed by the state announcing all the festivals.

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Legislation:

Introduction:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-59
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2016-2018 CAPITAL PROGRAM.

Mayor Boeder stated the Public Hearing would be October 19, 2015.

Public Hearing:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-55
A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE
GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET FUND.

Mayor Boeder opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Johnson moved to adopt Resolution No. 15-55.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-56
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO ENTER
INTO A CONTRACT WITH ZIMMERMAN CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION
LLC, P.O. BOX 1, GERMANTOWN, OHIO 45327, IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$48,350.00 FOR THE CDBG HANDICAPPED ACCESS INFRASTRUCTURE
PHASE III PROJECT.

Mayor Boeder opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Koogle moved to adopt Resolution No. 15-56.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-57
AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR THE CUTTING AND
REMOVAL OF WEEDS AND/OR PLANT GROWTH FOR A CERTAIN
PROPERTY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN, OHIO.

Mayor Boeder opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 15-57.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-58
A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE
GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Mayor Boeder opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Wafzig moved to adopt Resolution No. 15-58.

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ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

Mr. Johnson motioned to excuse Mr. Heistand.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Koogle moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Stephen A. Boeder
Mayor