

**MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL**

**MONDAY, MARCH 7, 16**

The Municipality of Germantown Council met in regular session on March 7, 2016 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. Rick Reed and Mr. Brian Wafzig. Mr. Robert Rettich, IV arrived at 7:01 p.m.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Lynn Koogle and Mr. Michael Kuhn were absent.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Also present were Judy Gilleland, Interim Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Roy McGill, Chief of Police; Matt Burns, Police Major; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor and Council reviewed the February 16, 2016 Regular Session minutes.

**MOTION:** Mr. Wafzig moved to approve the February 16, 2016 Regular Session minutes as submitted.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor and Council reviewed the February 16, 2016 Work Session minutes.

**MOTION:** Mr. Johnson moved to approve the February 16, 2016 Work Session minutes as submitted.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC RECOGNITION:**

None.

**CITIZEN'S FORUM:**

Joseph North, 82 Farmersville Pike, local Eagle Scout, handed out plans for a proposed shed to be placed near the tennis courts at Kercher Park. The shed would store any necessary equipment for the tennis team. He met with the Parks Board and they gave their approval for the project. He will complete all required permits for the shed. He is asked Council to consider allowing the construction of the shed.

Mr. Johnson stated that Joseph made his presentation to the Parks Board meeting and all members were in favor of the shed at Kercher Park for the tennis team.

**MOTION:** Mr. Johnson moved to approve the Eagle Scout shed project to be placed near the tennis courts at Kercher Park.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mark Ketzal, owner of Twin Creek Kayak & Canoe Livery, 1456 West Market Street, stated he has done very well for a new business in town and continues to grow each year. He expressed concern of an approximately 50-foot bank erosion issue along Twin Creek through Kercher Park. This area is getting worse and is in need of attention before someone gets hurt. He is proposing that trees be removed and approximately 55 tons of large rocks be placed along the bank. He is willing to help with the work but feels it would only take one Staff member, himself and a backhoe to complete the job. He has spoken with the Metro Parks and Miami Conservancy who have stated that if the City owns the property that lays up to the bank of the creek then the City has the right to maintain/protect the bank itself. He asked Council to consider making repairs to the bank along Kercher Park.

Mayor Boeder stated that Council would take Mr. Ketzal's request into consideration and the Staff will get back with him.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Mrs. Gilleland stated she had spent some time speaking with Mr. Ketzal and feels that he has a valued business in town. She would like to speak with the City Engineer to get their feedback before we move forward. We want to make sure that the river is safe but not take on liability by making adjustments without the appropriate governing bodies' approval.

Spring is a busy time of the year for the Staff and she briefly updated Council on several activities. Recycling was discussed at the last Council meeting and we are currently waiting on quotes from Rumpke for recycling containers at Kercher Park, Veterans' Memorial Park, along the bike path, the City Building and also at some of our community events. We will be able to determine how to structure the recycling program after we receive the information.

The Cherry Street Phase 4 reconstruction project will be bid in April and construction will begin thereafter.

The sanitary sewer rehab project will be Engineered in August and bids will be going out January 2017.

The street resurfacing project for 2016 will be bid in May and completed by October. The streets that have been selected by the Engineer include portions of Huber Street, Warren Street, West Center Street, Gunckel Street. These streets will receive a membrane overlay.

The Pool Board met a few weeks ago and we are gearing up for the 2016 pool season. Pool passes are currently available at the City Building.

The Parks Board met last week and we are currently prioritizing various spring projects and reviewing the Budget.

Mrs. Gilleland stated that the Fire-EMS Department and the Senior Center have received donations and Council needs to accept these donations.

**MOTION:** Mr. Wafzig moved to accept the donation to the Fire-EMS Department and the Senior Center.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

None.

**LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

None.

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**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief McGill stated he will be reviewing the 2015 year-end report at the next meeting. The Department has been active in the local school lately. We have implemented a heroin hotline and will post it in various locations.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Boeder thanked the Eagle Scout for making the presentation tonight.

He taped the State of the City Address at Miami Valley Communications Council to be aired on Channel 5.

He has attended several meetings over the past few weeks which include the Emergency Communications Policy Committee meeting. They discussed the dispatch fees for 2016 that are significantly less than originally projected.

He attended a Community Day at the middle school with the Street Department Staff. The students enjoyed the Street Department equipment.

He attended meetings at Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission.

He met with the Parks Board Chairperson, Mr. Johnson and the Manager to discuss the 2016 season and possible projects.

He met with Mr. Wright with the Cemetery Board and the Manager to keep up to speed with the Cemetery.

Council had a Work Session at the last Council Meeting and discussed various Council Retreat items.

He thanked the Staff and the Manager for their hard work.

He asked Council to be thinking of a definite date in the beginning of July to have a follow up Council Retreat.

He would like to schedule a meeting in the near future to discuss the proposed sign ordinance changes.

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

**Mr. Reed's Report:**

Mr. Reed announced the City Beautiful Commission meeting March 8 at 7:00 p.m. The Commission will be selecting the winners of the Easter Coloring Contest.

**Mr. Rettich's Report:**

None.

**Mr. Johnson's Report:**

Mr. Johnson attended the Parks Board meeting and they discussed the Parks wish list. We will be prioritizing the items and discussing them at a later meeting. He thanked the Manager for taking the time to review the budget with the Board.

**Mr. Wafzig's Report:**

Mr. Wafzig announced the Police Department heroin hot line number 937.522.5052.

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The Valley View Drug Coalition meeting is March 8.

He attended the Miami Valley Communications Council meeting. They discussed the Street Lighting Agreement, the CodeRED contract and they have purchased a drone for footage of many events. They are looking at electric aggregation.

Time Warner Cable will be going to an all-digital broadcast April 12. He encouraged all customers to contact Time Warner and to get the converter boxes.

**Legislation:**

**Introduction:**

ORDINANCE NO. 16-02

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AMENDED AND RESTATED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARLISLE AND THE COUNTY OF WARREN

Mayor Boeder stated the Public Hearing would be March 21, 2016.

**Public Hearing:**

None.

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:**

Mr. Johnson motioned to excuse Mr. Koogle and Mr. Kuhn.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION:** Mr. Reed moved to adjourn to Executive Session under the authority of O.R.C. §121.22 (G) (1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, (G) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes and (G) (4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor and Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**PRESENT:**

The following members were present at the start of the Executive Session: Mayor Stephen Boeder, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich, IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Koogle and Mr. Kuhn were absent.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Also present were Judy Gilleland, Interim Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director and Roy McGill, Chief of Police.

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The aforementioned persons had discussion under the authority of O.R.C. §121.22 (G) (1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, (G) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes and (G) (4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

**MOTION:** Mr. Rettich motioned to return to regular session.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor and Council reconvened into Regular Session at 9:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kelli R. Sanders-Novak  
Clerk of Council

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Stephen A. Boeder  
Mayor