

January 17, 2023
City Council, Cheviot, Ohio

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President Kerry Smyth called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Roll was then called, and the following members were in attendance:

Mayor	Sam Keller
President of Council	Kerry Smyth
Safety Service Director	Tom Braun
Law Director	Kimberlee Rohr
Council Ward 1	David Voss
Council Ward 2	John Hardig
Council Ward 3	Brian Smyth
Council Ward 4	Lindsay Jones
Council At Large	Kitty Zech
Council At Large	Stefanie Hawk
Council At Large	Amy Richter

The floor was turned over to Theresa Ciolino-Cline to recognize soon-to-be retired Patty Henry. Many of Patty's family members, friends and co-workers were on hand to wish her well. Mayor Keller also addressed Mrs. Henry, calling out her dedication to the City even while struggling through her personal health battles. Mrs. Klein then introduced Patty's replacement, Tori Hudson.

Minutes from the January 3 meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Smyth, a second by Ms. Hawk and a 7-0 voice vote from Council.

Ms. Jones's report from the Streets & Sidewalks Committee meeting held on January 3 has been deferred to the February 7 meeting.

The following legislation was presented for council vote:

Resolution 23-01 Authorizing The Safety Service Director Via The Ohio Department Of Transportation To Advertise For Bids For The Harrison Avenue LPA Federal ODOT-LET Project. Motion to introduce was made by Ms. Jones, second by Mr. Smyth. Adopted with a unanimous Council voice vote.

Resolution 23-02 To Authorize The Safety Service Director To Enter Into An Agreement With The City Of Cincinnati Regarding The Harrison Avenue Pedestrian Safety Improvements. Introduced with a motion by Ms. Jones, second by Mr. Smyth. There was no discussion. Council voted unanimously to adopt.

Ordinance 23-01 To Affirm Control Of Certain Areas In Connection With Improvement Of Sidewalks And Curb Ramps On Harrison Avenue; And To Declare An Emergency. Ms. Jones introduced by motion, second by Mr. Smyth, and unanimous council voice vote. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Ms. Hawk, second by Mrs. Zech and 7-0 roll call vote. There was no discussion. Motion to adopt was made by Ms. Hawk, second by Mr. Smyth and 7-0 roll call vote.

Administrative Reports:

-Mayor Keller had no report but wanted to make sure that everyone is receiving emails sent from the Hamilton County Municipal League and the Ohio Municipal League. These newsletters often contain important information related to grants.

-Safety Service Director Tom Braun reports that is waiting for a historical assessment of Harvest Home Park in order to move forward with the repaving and other projects on the grounds. He will be seeking authorization to bid out the Applegate project at the February 7 meeting.

-Law Director Rohr had no report.

Public Recognition: John Callon from Cheviot Library stopped by to inform council that the library has a winter reading program for adults, and they're offering some pretty cool swag for participants. He also stated that the after school snack program that was started during Covid continues 3-4pm Monday through Friday for all school children. The library offers free copies (up to 20 pages per day), free faxing, and is encouraging those who may have been avoiding the library out of fear of having to pay late book fees can enjoy the current amnesty program. Cheviot Library will be undergoing some renovations in the near future. Mr. Callon will stop by periodically and keep us updated of those.

Ms. Hawk gave a report from the recent LSDMC meeting.

Treasurer's Receipts are being sent to all of council tomorrow so we can vote to receive and file them at the February 7 meeting.

Mayor's Court Receipts for December 2022 were received and filed with a motion by Mr. Smyth, second by Mrs. Zech and 7-0 voice vote.

There was one property maintenance violation sent since the last meeting.

One More Thing... Mayor Keller reports that the results for the police exam are in, but no announcement can be made until the Civil Service certifies them.

Mrs. Zech motioned to adjourn, Mr. Smyth seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:46.

Jenny Eilermann, Clerk of Council

Kerry Smyth, President of Council