

**BROOKVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 16, 2007**

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Vice Mayor Ullery at 7:30 p.m. on October 16, 2007 in the City Council Chambers. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Members Cantrell, Duncan, Garber, Hanos and Reel; Manager Wright, Assistant Manager Sewert, Police Chief Preston, Fire Chief Nickel, Law Director Stephan and Director of Finance/Clerk Keaton were present. Mayor Seagraves was absent.

Motion by Duncan, second by Reel to accept the Agenda with an addition. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Reel, second by Duncan to accept the October 2, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Carolyn Rice, Montgomery County Treasurer, gave a brief presentation on the Treasurer's Office. Ms. Rice stated that she was appointed Treasurer in February of this year and one item she promised was to visit each municipality in the County and introduce herself and keep the entity apprised of what is happening in the Treasurer's Office. Ms. Rice indicated there are 32 employees in the Treasurer's Office and she realized once she took office, what an outstanding team she had. Ms. Rice reported Montgomery County will once again hold a tax lien certificate sale on November 17, 2007. Ms. Rice indicated their mission is to collect delinquent tax dollars that are needed to fund our schools and vital services while offering property owners the opportunity to retain their properties and avoid foreclosure. Their vision is to assist property owners in paying their delinquent taxes through progressive programs. Ms. Rice stated this is the third year for the tax lien sale.

Manager Wright reported the road restriping project is completed. Manager Wright thanked the Montgomery County Engineers for working with the City to get this done. Manager Wright stated this is the third year that we have participated with the County for road striping and it has saved the City a lot of money and we receive a professional job.

Manager Wright reported annual leaf collection began this week. Leaves will be picked up daily, weather permitting, beginning at one end of the city and working completely through all of the streets before starting the route over. Leaf collection should continue for approximately six weeks.

Manager Wright reported we have had several problems within the Service Department. We had to replace the transmission and engine in the main refuse truck. Manager Wright reported we have an 18' steel shaft that is ready to break at the Waste Water Treatment Plant, which is being repaired. Manager Wright commented we are working through these issues and he will keep Council apprized of the situation.

Manager Wright announced there will be a small municipal auction on Saturday, November 3, 2007. Manager Wright stated the City has some surplus equipment that we are taking to the auction.

Member Duncan inquired if it would be best for the City to sell the surplus items online.

Manager Wright stated there are pros and cons to this. Manager Wright commented we usually do not have large expensive items to sell, and that's what people usually buy though the internet. Most of our items are small, and we probably wouldn't be able to sell those items. Manager Wright stated he is familiar with the internet sites that other entities use.

Manager Wright reported a meeting of the Service Clubs was held on Monday regarding the Christmas Light Display. The display has been reconfigured within Golden Gate Park. Previously it was set up as a drive-through display. Now it will be a walk-through display. The display will now be located in the center of the park where people can walk to, and sit and watch. With this reconfiguration, the City will not have to spend funds to extend the electric service.

Member Garber inquired how this will affect the traffic.

Police Chief Preston stated this will be a plus for traffic. The traffic should flow better. Police Chief Preston stated there are approximately 400 parking spaces in the park and they are currently looking at placing overflow traffic in the Brookville Theater parking lot and the parking lot by the Service Garage. The Service Clubs will still charge \$10 per carload. The display will be set up near the Gazebo in the center of the park. Some of the Service Clubs are looking at using Shelters #3 and #4 for refreshments and to have Santa for the children.

Manager Wright reported a meeting was held with the property owners of Hill, Harshman and Mound Streets on a possible reconstruction project in 2008. The next step is for Council to review the information they heard this evening and possibly hold a Work Session in the near future to see if we move forward with this project.

Member Hanos inquired if we move forward with the installation of sidewalks on Westbrook Road, when would that project take place.

Assistant Manager Sewert stated the engineering report should be completed by the end of this year for the Safeways to School Project, but with the grant application process, this would be a project for 2009.

Fire Chief Nickel thanked everyone for their participation during the Annual Fire Prevention Parade and activities, which was a great success. Fire Chief Nickel thanked Bob and Sally Batz for organizing the parade and activities. Fire Chief Nickel reported the fire prevention activities at the various schools is winding down.

Fire Chief Nickel presented the Monthly Fire & EMS Activity Report through September. Fire Chief Nickel commented according to the report, we are running about the same number of Fire & EMS runs this year through September as last year. Through September the combined total for Fire and EMS runs is 1,143.

Fire Chief Nickel reported the new medic has been put into service.

Vice Mayor Ullery remarked hats off to the Brookville Fire Department for an excellent Fire Prevention Parade. There was a tremendous turnout.

Member Garber commented the parade was a success, but he would like to see speakers along Market Street and not just at the staging area, so people lined up along Market Street could hear the announcers.

Fire Chief Nickel stated that may be a possibility if we look into wireless speakers.

Police Chief Preston presented the Brookville Police Department Call Analysis for September 2007. Police Chief Preston reported the Brookville Police Department responded to 172 Priority 1 calls, 423 Priority 2 calls, and 149 Priority 3 calls. The Brookville Police Department has handled a total of 5,423 calls from January 1 to September 30, 2007, which is a decrease of 627 calls compared to this same time last year. Total reportable incidents are down 21.9% from this same time last year.

Police Chief Preston reported the Football Homecoming Parade was a bit challenging this year and recommended that the parade either move back to Thursday evening, start earlier, or change the route. Numerous people were held up from driving to the football stadium for the game due to the parade.

Law Director Stephan reported Planning Commission held a preapplication conference, at their September 20, 2007 meeting, with Mr. Allen Thrush. Mr. Thrush requested to rezone 201 Sycamore Street from its current zoning classification of Light Industrial to Office Residential Planned Development Overlay District. Mr. Thrush is proposing to construct a 4-unit and a 9-unit apartment building at this location. Proposed Ordinance No. 2007-20 is before Council tonight.

Motion by Cantrell, second by Garber to read proposed Ordinance No. 2007-20. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Garber, second by Cantrell to accept the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2007-20. All yeas, motion carried.

Vice Mayor Ullery set a Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance No. 2007-20 for November 6, 2007 at 8:00 p.m.

Law Director Stephan commented that he is still reviewing possible legislation that could address the issue that was raised at the last Council Meeting on an individual living in his recreational vehicle on public streets. Law Director Stephan stated we currently have legislation that does not allow anyone to live in a recreational vehicle while parked or stored on private property. Law Director Stephan commented that we could look at adding public streets to the existing legislation.

Finance Director/Clerk Keaton had no report.

Vice Mayor Ullery reminded everyone about trick-or-treat that is scheduled for October 30 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

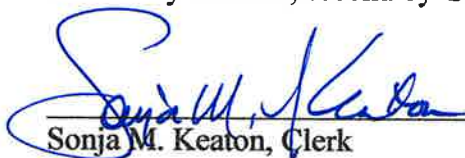
Motion by Duncan, second by Garber to read proposed Ordinance No. 2007-18. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Reel, second by Garber to accept the third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2007-18 entitled "AN ORDINANCE REZONING LOT 1747 OF THE REVISED AND CONSECUTIVE NUMBERS OF LOTS OF THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO, FROM ITS PRESENT CLASSIFICATION OF "OR" OFFICE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, TO THE NEW CLASSIFICATION OF "PC" PLANNED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT." All yeas, motion carried.

In Old Business, Member Duncan inquired on the status of the Mulberry property for the CDBG Grant.

Assistant Manager Sewert stated we are waiting on the Federal Government to release the money to the County. We hope to close on the property yet this year. We hope to demolish the building next year.

Motion by Duncan, second by Garber to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.


Sonja M. Keaton, Clerk


Ron Ullery, Vice Mayor