

BROOKVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 21, 2001

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Dafler at 7:30 P.M. on August 21, 2001 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Duncan, Garber, Imler, Seagraves, Shellabarger and Trimble; Manager Wright, Assistant Manager Sewert and Law Director Stephan were present.

Motion by Seagraves, seconded by Imler to accept the Agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Imler to accept the August 7, 2001 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Tim Schram, with HLS Surveyors, presented a Preliminary Plat of Brookcreek Estates, that Planning Commission approved at their August 16, 2001 meeting. Discussion followed. The consensus of Council was that the proposed project is a positive development for that site, because it is a lower density use than the maximum uses of the entire property.

Garnett Buckley, of March Avenue, commended the City on how great Clay Street looks now that the project is almost complete. She stated she was looking forward to seeing the Western Avenue Street Reconstruction Project take place.

Steve McNew, of Western Avenue, asked Manager Wright if he had the answers to the questions he asked at the last Council meeting? Manager Wright indicated he did, but it would be presented to Council first, and he would present the answers within his report.

Manager Wright gave his report including an update on the Clay Street Project with the following action taken.

Manager Wright reported the City of Brookville has received their Building Certification from the State of Ohio. This certificate allows the City of Brookville to exercise enforcement authority and to accept and approve Commercial plans and specifications, and make Commercial inspections in accordance with the provisions of the "Ohio Building Code," except Plumbing provisions. This becomes effective September 1, 2001. Manager Wright stated National Inspection Corporation, who currently performs all of the City of Brookville residential inspections, will conduct the commercial inspections.

Motion by Garber, seconded by Imler to accept the Ohio Basic Building Code standard permit fees. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright wanted to express his thanks to the residents along Clay Street for their cooperation throughout the street reconstruction project, and the City Service Department for all of their hard work on this project. The project should be completed shortly.

Manager Wright reported bids were opened for the "2001 Street Resurfacing Program."

Motion by Garber, seconded by Seagraves to accept the low bid of \$32.05 per ton for asphalt overlay, and \$1.51 per square yard for pavement removal from L. P. Cavett Company for the "2001 Street Resurfacing Program" as recommended by Manager Wright. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright stated he had answers to questions that were asked at the last Council meeting by Steve McNew. The definition of an arterial street, which is out of the Municipality of Brookville Subdivision Regulations Construction Standards and Drawings Design Criteria Book, is a street primarily for through traffic, carrying heavy loads and large volumes of traffic, usually on a continuous route. Manager Wright stated an arterial street is 80 linear feet in right-of-way width, and the City of Brookville does not intend to purchase any right-of-way on Western Avenue. Manager Wright reported a traffic count was taken by the Montgomery County Engineers Office in April of 1999 which indicated a 24-hour volume of 2,127 vehicles. Manager Wright reported that Choice One Engineering has determined through traffic counts and usage (high volume of school traffic), and the fact that it is a major connector from Westbrook Road to Wolf Creek Street, that Western Avenue is an arterial street.

Member Garber inquired if there was any new development with surrounding communities on EMS billing? Manager Wright indicated there were none at this time.

Member Duncan inquired if the pond at Parker Hannifin was the city's responsibility? Manager Wright indicated it was, and we are in the process of obtaining estimates to have the pond cleaned.

Law Director Stephan had no report.

Finance Director Keaton gave her report with no action taken.

Mayor Dafler had no report.

Member Garber stated at the last Planning Commission meeting Zoning Officer Summers presented a survey that he conducted, of surrounding communities, on accessory buildings. The City of Brookville is in line with the surrounding communities, so the current Ordinance on accessory structures will remain the same.

Member Seagraves thanked Council for allowing the MDA to hold their fund raiser this year. It was a great success.

Chairperson Watkins, of the Planning Commission, read the Planning Commission's recommendation that Ordinance No. 2001-03 be adopted by Council.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Imler to read proposed Ordinance No. 2001-03. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Duncan to accept the second reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2001-03. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright informed Council, and those in attendance, that crews will be out in the next couple of weeks to dig gas test holes on Western Avenue to check the depth of the utilities.

Member Duncan inquired if the City could look at putting together a quarterly newsletter for the citizens of Brookville? Manager Wright stated the Administrative staff has discussed this recently. We will look into this and report back at a later date.


Member Duncan requested an Executive Session on an Imminent Court Action.

Member Duncan inquired of Mrs. Dull, in the audience, if the questionnaire that he received in the mail today on farmland preservation, was distributed to all of Clay Township, including all of the incorporated areas of Clay Township? Mrs. Dull stated 1,862 questionnaires were mailed within the City limits of Brookville. Member Duncan stated the questionnaire said if the majority of the voters in Clay Township voted for the farmland preservation it would cost the average homeowner about \$30.00 per year. He then asked if the incorporated areas of Clay Township voted this issue down, would it cost a homeowner in the unincorporated area more than \$30.00 per year? There was no reply.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Garber to go into Executive Session on an Imminent Court Action as requested by Member Duncan. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Dafler called Council back into Regular Session.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Duncan to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

  
Sonja M. Keaton, Clerk

  
Thomas L. Dafler, Mayor