

BROOKVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
December 18, 2001

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Shellabarger at 7:30 P.M. on December 18, 2001 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Duncan, Imler, Seagraves, and Trimble; Manager Wright, Assistant Manager Sewert and Law Director Stephan were present. Member Garber was absent.

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

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Seagraves to accept the December 4, 2001 Regular Meeting Minutes, the December 9, 2001 Special Meeting Minutes and the December 12, 2001 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Shellabarger welcomed the high school students who were attending for their Government class.

Dottie Watkins, representing the Brookville Historical Society, expressed her appreciation to the Brookville Police Department for their quick response to the Spitler House, the previous evening when the alarm went off.

Mayor Shellabarger announced to the audience two council members have been selected from the 11 prospective candidates that were interviewed, at the Special Council Meeting that was held on December 12, 2001. Mayor Shellabarger stated it was a long, hard decision for Council to make. Ron Ullery was selected to fill the vacant seat of Tom Dafler, and Dean Sanders was selected to fill the vacant seat of Stephen Shellabarger. Both individuals will assume the vacancies at the January 2, 2002 Council meeting.

Manager Wright announced a plaque presentation was made today, at the employees' luncheon, to Bob Todd, who has served as a patrolman for the last 21+ years. Fourteen of those years Mr. Todd served as an auxiliary patrolman, with the remaining years as a part-time patrolman. Manager Wright expressed appreciation to Bob Todd for his dedicated service to the community.

Manager Wright announced the Brookville Park Board has received two plaques of appreciation, one from the Brookville Police Department and the other from the Montgomery County Sheriffs Office, for their participation in the annual "Cops & Kids Fishing Derby."

Manager Wright presented a plaque to Mayor Shellabarger, in appreciation of his leadership and service to the City of Brookville from 1994 to 2001.

Manager Wright requested approval to enter into a contract with the Montgomery County Public Defender for 2002.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Imler to authorize Manager Wright to enter into a contract with the Montgomery County Public Defender for 2002, at a cost of \$82.52 per case which will be invoiced on a monthly basis, as recommended by Manager Wright. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright reported there will be an Open House on January 10, 2002 for the Western Avenue Reconstruction Project from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. and again from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the city office. Information will be available for the citizens that live in the area of the Reconstruction Project.

Manger Wright reported Council met in a Special Meeting to take action on the Fact Finders report. Manager Wright stated Council voted unanimously, 6-0, to approve the Fact Finders report. Details of the new contract between the City of Brookville and the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association will be released at a later date, once the city receives word from SERB on how the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association voted on the Fact Finders report.

Manager Wright and Director of Finance Keaton went over proposed rate increases for water, sewer and refuse for 2002. The proposed rate increase for refuse is 7½%, which would generate approximately \$20,000 annually. Residential rates would increase from \$30.00 per quarter to \$32.25, which equates to a \$.75 increase per month. The last rate increase in refuse was in 1993. The proposed rate increase for sewer is 10%, which would generate approximately \$37,000 annually. The last rate increase in sewer was in 1992. The proposed rate increase for water is 3%, which would generate approximately \$16,500 annually. The last rate increase in water was in 1998. Manager Wright stated with the sewer rate increase we are still on the low side and with the water rate increase we are in the middle of a survey compiled by the City of Englewood with 65 jurisdictions in Southwest Ohio. Manager Wright stated operating costs continue to increase for the water, sewer and refuse departments, but we have not made rate adjustments for quite some time. Several examples, on the rate increases, that were discussed are as follows: A quarterly bill with a usage of 1,000 cubic feet would become \$90.65, which is an increase of \$5.15 per quarter. This equates to a total of \$30.22 per month for water, sewer and refuse services. A quarterly bill with a usage of 2,000 cubic feet would become \$126.95, which is an increase of \$7.45 per quarter. This equates to a total of \$42.32 per month for water, sewer and refuse services. A quarterly bill with a usage of 3,000 cubic feet would become \$163.25, which is an increase of \$9.75 per quarter. This equates to a total of \$54.42 per month for water, sewer and refuse services. A quarterly bill with a usage of 4,000 cubic feet would become \$199.55, which is an increase of \$12.05 per quarter. This equates to a total of \$66.52 per month for water, sewer and refuse services. The proposed increases for water, sewer and refuse is an approximate increase of 6% overall.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Seagraves to authorize Manager Wright to prepare Ordinances for water, sewer and refuse rate increases as recommended by Manager Wright. All yeas, motion carried.

Law Director Stephan had no report.

Director of Finance/Clerk Keaton reported the City has prepared their first public newsletter that will be distributed to citizens of Brookville by the end of the year. The newsletters will feature projects, special events and information for each department.

Director of Finance/Clerk Keaton introduced Resolution No. 01-15.

Motion by Seagraves, seconded by Duncan to read proposed Resolution No. 01-15. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Seagraves to accept the first reading, dispense with the second and third reading and adopt Resolution No. 01-15 entitled "A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2001 APPROPRIATIONS, AS SET FORTH BELOW, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.40 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND SECTION 12.35 OF THE OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY." All yeas, motion carried.

There will be a Work Session on Appropriations following the Council Meeting.

Mayor Shellabarger had no report, but stated he has enjoyed serving on Council for the last eight years.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Seagraves to read proposed Resolution No. 01-13. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Seagraves to accept the third reading and adopt Resolution No. 01-13 entitled "A RESOLUTION REGARDING MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE AREA CONTAINED IN A PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF 75.522 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN CLAY TOWNSHIP, IF ANNEXATION OF SAID AREA TO THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO." All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, seconded by Imler to read proposed Resolution No. 01-14. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Imler, seconded by Seagraves to accept the third reading and adopt Resolution No. 01-14 entitled "A RESOLUTION REGARDING MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE AREA CONTAINED IN A PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF 5.963 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN CLAY TOWNSHIP, IF ANNEXATION OF SAID AREA TO THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO." All yeas, motion carried.

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


Sonja M. Keaton, Clerk


Stephen Shellabarger, Mayor SK