

BROOKVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 16, 2003

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Imler at 7:30 p.m. on September 16, 2003 in the City Council Chambers. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Members Duncan, Garber, Sanders, Seagraves, Trimble and Ullery; Manager Wright, Assistant Manager Sewert, Law Director Stephan, Fire Chief Nickel, Police Chief Preston and Director of Finance/Clerk Keaton were present.

Motion by Seagraves, second by Duncan to accept the Agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Sanders to accept the September 2, 2003 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Imler administered the Oath of Office to EMT Carly Ross.

Franz Hoge, Chairman of the Human Services Council, gave a brief presentation and requested Council support of the Montgomery County Human Services levy that will be on the November 4, 2003 ballot. Mr. Hoge reported the Human Services Issue helps children with immunizations and health care, foster care and adoption of children who need a safe place to live, treatment for emotionally disturbed children; the Human Services Issue helps seniors with home-delivered meals for elderly homebound citizens and home healthcare for frail seniors; the Human Services Issue protects families by providing services for children and adults with mental disabilities, public health and disease prevention and hospital and health care for those who can't afford it. Mr. Hoge commented that more than 50 agencies receive funding to provide these critical services. Mr. Hoge stated that without this Issue, \$40-million a year in critical services for children, senior citizens and families would have to be cut. Mr. Hoge reported the Human Services levy replaces an existing 5.03 mill issue and adds 1 mill, which would cost a homeowner of a \$100,000 home an additional \$6.25 a month. Mr. Hoge commented that an increase is needed now because our population is aging and our frail elderly need services to stay in their homes, the slow down in the economy means increasing demands on services, far too many people can't afford medical care and more than \$8 million in federal and state funding has already been cut. Mr. Hoge stated there has not been an increase on the Human Services Issue since 1995.

Motion by Garber, second by Seagraves to read proposed Resolution No. 03-21. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Garber, second by Seagraves to accept the first reading of proposed Resolution No. 03-21. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Seagraves, second by Garber to endorse the Human Services Issue on the November 4, 2003 ballot. All yeas, motion carried.

Kevin Kerschner, representing the Brookville Fire Department, invited Council and the Brookville Police Department to participate in their Annual Fire Prevention Parade.

Kevin Kerschner requested approval to block off a municipal lot near Fire Station #1 for Care Flight to land on Saturday, October 11, 2003 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for demonstrations. Discussion was held on using the SK8 Park lot.

Motion by Duncan, second by Sanders to allow use of a municipal lot, to be determined by Manager Wright, near Fire Station #1 for Care Flight to land, on October 11, 2003 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for demonstrations. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Wright reported work should begin next week on the Street Repaving Project. The project should be completed within three to four days, once work begins.

Manager Wright reported leaf collection will begin the first or second week of October. Leaves will be picked up on a daily basis as needed.

Manager Wright commented at a previous Council meeting, discussion was held on the possibility of constructing a water park within one of our parks. Manager Wright stated Park Board discussed this at their last meeting. Manager Wright reported it is Park Board's preference to have Council address an upgrade with the existing pond at Golden Gate Park first, before spending money on a water park. Discussion followed. The consensus of Council is to obtain cost estimates for the upgrade of the pond at Golden Gate Park, but still research to see if there are any grants that may be available for both a water park and the upgrade of the pond.

Manager Wright reported Perry Township will hold a zoning hearing on Thursday, September 25 beginning at 7:00 p.m. for the proposed residential development that is located along Westbrook, Heckathorn and Diamond Mill Roads, if any Council member is interested in attending. Manager Wright commented that Brookville will be represented at the zoning hearing. Some of the issues that Brookville is concerned with are how will the development be served with water and sewer and how will the increased traffic be handled on Westbrook Road.

Manager Wright requested an Executive Session on a Real Estate Matter.

Member Garber inquired on the Gateway Park improvements.

Manager Wright reported the city's work on Gateway Park is completed for this year. Landscaping will begin next week. Manager Wright commented the parking area will be paved next year.

Chief Nickel reported the 9-11 public ceremony went very well. Chief Nickel commented that the event is growing every year, and next year the Fire Department may incorporate an open house along with the ceremony.

Chief Nickel reported the Ohio Task Force One was deployed to New Jersey in anticipation of the hurricane heading up the coast.

Chief Preston presented an overview of the Incident List and the Brookville Police Department Time Analysis from September 2 - September 15, 2003. Police Chief Preston reported there were 287 calls for service in this time period. Police Chief Preston reported the number of reportable incidents are up approximately 1% and the total calls handled are up approximately 22% from this same time last year.

Council expressed their congratulations to the Brookville Police Department for an exceptional Fishing Derby that was recently held.

Law Director Stephan reported the proposed skateboarding Ordinance before Council, prohibits skateboarding on the public grounds of the Community Center zoning district and adjacent streets to promote the safety of the public entering and exiting businesses in that area. Law Director Stephan commented that he has reviewed the ordinances of a number of communities that prohibit skateboarding on any street except while crossing a street on a crosswalk. Law Director Stephan stated those same ordinances do allow skateboarding on streets that have been designated as play streets. Law Director Stephan portrayed other communities that limit skateboarding in various districts in their communities. Discussion was held on including other areas within Brookville in the proposed Ordinance.

Motion by Trimble, second by Ullery to table proposed Ordinance No. 2003-06 which prohibits skateboarding on certain public rights of way in the City of Brookville. All yeas, motion carried.

Law Director Stephan reported the Perry Township Trustees, at their September 2, 2003 Board Meeting, passed a Resolution supporting the annexation of Brookville Grace Brethren Church to the City of Brookville. Law Director Stephan thanked Perry Township, on behalf of the City, for their support of this annexation.

Law Director Stephan requested an Executive Session on a Real Estate Matter.

Finance Director/Clerk Keaton presented the August 31, 2003 Fund Balance for Council approval.

Motion by Seagraves, second by Duncan to approve the August 31, 2003 Fund Balance as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Finance Director/Clerk Keaton reported the Fall-edition of the City Newsletter will be mailed out this week.

Mayor Imler commended the Brookville Police Department on an excellent Fishing Derby.

Mayor Imler requested approval for Brookville High School to hold their annual Homecoming Parade.

Motion by Garber, second by Ullery to authorize the Brookville High School Homecoming parade to be held on October 2, 2003 with the line-up to start at 5:30 p.m. and the parade to start at 6:30 p.m. The parade will start on Cusick Avenue and proceed left onto Albert Road, left onto Salem Street, left onto Market Street, left onto Wolf Creek Street, right onto Westbrook Road and left onto June Place ending at the stadium. All yeas, motion carried.

Member Duncan requested an Executive Session on a Confidential Matter.

Motion by Garber, second by Trimble to go into Executive Session on a Confidential Matter. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Imler called Council back into Regular Session.

Motion by Duncan, second by Trimble to read proposed Ordinance No. 2003-05. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Seagraves to accept the third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2003-05 entitled "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT AMONG THE CITIES OF BROOKVILLE, ENGLEWOOD AND VANDALIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING, PLANNING, FINANCING, OWNING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING A MUNICIPAL JOINT VENTURE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAXES AND THE TAKING OF CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH." All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Ullery to read proposed Ordinance No. 2003-07. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Duncan, second by Sanders to accept the first reading, dispense with the second and third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2003-07 entitled "AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY." All yeas, motion carried.

Member Garber commended the Brookville Board of Zoning Appeals for the way they are conducting their meetings and for the thoughts that they are putting into their decisions.

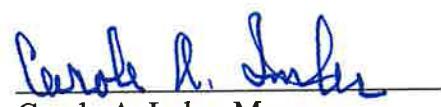
Member Garber asked Chief Preston to review the proposed skateboard Ordinance for the purpose of the enforcement side.

Motion by Seagraves, second by Trimble to go into Executive Session on a Real Estate Matter as requested by Manager Wright and Law Director Stephan. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Imler called Council back into Regular Session.

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

  
Sonja M. Keaton, Clerk

  
Carole A. Imler, Mayor