

Minutes of March 5, 2020 Council

Regular Meeting of the Clayton, Ohio City Council
Clayton Government Center
March 5, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:34 PM. Present were Mayor Stevens and Councilmembers Bachman, Henning, Gorman, Merkle, Kelly, and Lieberman.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Brian Garver, Fire Chief, performed a swearing in ceremony for two newly promoted full-time Firefighters/EMT's, Jason Lawler and Isaac Hivner.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Seim presented the minutes of the February 20, 2020 City Council Meeting. Motion by Gorman, second by Henning to approve the minutes as presented. All yeas, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. O – 03 – 20 – 05 An Ordinance Approving Amendment to Clayton Codified Ordinance Part Nine Titled, “Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code” to Add a New Chapter 907 to Title One Thereof and Entitled “Repair and Maintenance of Ditches and Culverts”. Randy Sanders, Public Service Director, advised this amendment will clarify both the resident and city responsibilities of culvert repair and installation, ditch maintenance, and waterways within the city. Motion by Gorman to approve the Ordinance, second by Kelly. All yeas, motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Rose announced the next council meeting will be on Thursday March 19th, with the first meeting in April being held on the 2nd. The Northmont Education Foundation is holding their annual auction tomorrow Friday, March 6th at 6:30 PM. at Meadowbrook at Clayton. The Northmont Community Market is holding their final Winter Market at Meadowbrook on Sunday March 23rd from noon till 4:00 PM. City Council meetings can be viewed on cable channel 6 on Saturday March 7th at 8:30 AM and repeated the following Monday, March 9th at 10:30 PM, and then again on Wednesday, March 11th at 9:00 AM. I wish to congratulate Ricky Robinson, the Chairman of the city's Planning Commission, he was listed as Top 10 African American Male Honorees in 2020. We received information today from the Health Department dealing with the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We will be sharing this information on our website, and update as we receive new information. The Northmont Chamber of Commerce is holding a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, March 6th at 10:00 for the new Goodwill Store on Hoke Road.

This is my last meeting, after 17 years with the city. I wish to thank you. Everyone here works as a team and we have a fantastic city staff, it has been a pleasure and we have a lot of good

friendships. My last thank you is to the community; I have met a lot of good people here. The last thing I want to say is welcome Amanda, I know you will do a great job for the city.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Cade Smith of Northmont High School advised he listed to the workshop presentation earlier this evening on the streetlights along Main Street. The new lights are very expensive, I recommend you keep the current light poles, and only replace the missing ones. Adam Stanley of Northmont High School stated he learned tonight that we swore in two new Firefighters/EMT's, and we don't do that too often.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Bachman thanked Randy for the presentation on ditches and culverts this evening, we still a lot to address. Congratulations on our two new EMT/Firefighters, it's great to have them here in Clayton. Rick, congratulations on your retirement and thank for your 17-year service, you have been very open and communicated well, and I hope you enjoy your retirement. Henning advised the Northmont Education Foundation auction is tomorrow at Meadowbrook and we welcome all students to attend. The proceeds fund scholarships for Northmont Senior's, and to the students here this evening contact your guidance counsel if you're interested in one of the scholarships. The Winter Market at Meadowbrook at the end of February was well attended and thank you to everyone who worked so hard to put it on. I wish to congratulate Jason and Isaac and welcome them to the Clayton team. I saw where we have advertised the Easter Egg Hunt, it will be held on Saturday, April 11th at 9:30 a.m. at Meadowbrook, rain or shine. Rick, I wish to thank you for your 17 years with Clayton. I have only served on Council for eight years, but it has been a pleasure working with you and I have learned a lot from you, and we will miss you. Gorman advised he attended the MVRPC meeting this morning, it dealt with the long-term disaster relief program to help those impacted by last year's tornados. They can help with insurance, and we were advised there are volunteer groups coming to the area to help with the rebuilding. Rick you've done a fine job, and we welcome Amanda to the city. Merkle stated Rick, thank you. You've helped me with family issues these last few years. I wish to well in retirement and we'll miss you. Amanda, I'm looking forward to working with you. Kelly thanked Randy for the presentation earlier this evening, you helped identify the responsibility of the homeowner versus the City and have made the issue much clearer for everyone. Rick, thank you, you've done a great job, and if you haven't seen the Dayton Daily News, there is a great article about Rick in today's paper. Amanda, I am looking forward to working with you as well. Lieberman stated Rick when you became City Manager it was my first year on council. You treated me with respect and taught me how to be a council member, this job is not as easy as it may appear, there is a lot of work that goes into these meetings before we sit up here. Rick made it easier for me. You have a commitment and dedication to the community that I've never seen before, but it's your sense of humor is the thing I liked the most. Stevens welcomed our two new EMT/Firefighters to the Clayton family. Rick, thank you, you've done a great job, and when I came from council to Mayor you really helped me.

Motion by Gorman, second by Merkle to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.