

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

8:15 p.m.

Mach 18, 2008

Pursuant to Codified Ordinance Chapter 107 and ORC Section 121.22, notice of the following meeting was given on March 14, 2008:

ROLL CALL

Councilmen Present: Mr. Ranally, Mr. Woodin, Mr. Harrold, Mrs. Manning, Mr. Black, Mr. Carr, Mr. Fiala

Others Present: Mayor Anderson, Law Director Wiles, Service Director Tomaselli, City Engineer Sayles, Fire Chief Zwegat, Police Chief Straube, Chief Building and Zoning Inspector Smith, Parks and Recreation Director Katz, Finance Director Rogowski, Clerk Radebaugh

The meeting was led in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Harrold

Approval of Minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve the Regular Council minutes of March 4, 2008.

Roll Call	6 yes	
	0 no	Motion carried 6 to 0
	1 abstain (Black)	

STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Committee of Full, Mr. Ranally – No report.

Economic Development Committee, Mr. Black – No report.

Environmental Planning Committee, Mr. Fiala – No report.

Finance and Audit Committee, Mrs. Manning – The Finance Committee met this evening to review the 2008 Budget. The committee recommends approval.

Parks & Recreation Committee, Mr. Harrold – No report.

Personnel Committee, Mr. Carr – No report.

Safety Committee, Mr. Black – No report.

Service Committee, Mr. Woodin – No report.

WPCC Committee, Mr. Harrold – No report.

Clean City Commission, Mr. Ranally – The Clean City Commission met last Monday. They discussed the EcoFair to be held on April 26th. The commission is looking for volunteers to help pick up litter on Sunday mornings in downtown Willoughby.

Planning Commission, Mr. Fiala – No report.

Shade Tree Commission, Mr. Carr – We had a meeting last night. Arbor Day will be on April 25th. The first essays have started to arrive. It is the 25th Anniversary of Shade Tree City. Pictures are being taken of all the historical trees in the city and the locations are being documented.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence

PUBLIC PORTION

No one spoke at public portion.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made and seconded that all ordinances and resolutions be read by caption only and that as to legislation not containing an emergency clause, the rules requiring that ordinances and resolutions be read on three separate days be waived.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-31

An Ordinance providing for the Manning Levels and Compensation of elected and appointed officials and salaried and non-union employees of the City of Willoughby, Ohio; repealing any and all other ordinances or parts thereof which may be inconsistent herewith or which may be redundant hereto; and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Ordinance No. 2008-31 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2008-31.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-32

An Ordinance repealing Chapter 775 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby, Ohio, titled, "Trailer Parks".

Motion made and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2008-32.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-33

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept G-2 Sentinel Video Surveillance Equipment from the Office of Drug Control Policy/Counterdrug Technology Assessment Center (ONDCP/CTAC) through the Technology Transfer Program; said video surveillance equipment is valued at \$9,200 and is being offered to the City at no cost for use by the Willoughby Police Department; and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Resolution No. 2008-33 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2008-33.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-34

A Resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Willoughby, Ohio, during the period ending December 31, 2008, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Resolution No. 2008-34 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2008-34.

Roll Call: 7 yes
0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Anderson reported that he will be attending a meeting tomorrow regarding the Riverside Commons property at Rt. 2 and Lost Nation Road. Representatives from the Ohio EPA, USEPA, Army Corps of Engineers and the Attorney General's Office will be meeting with representatives from the developer's office. The area in contention is the wooded area along Rt. 2. Mayor Anderson said that EPA experts say that this area is level 3 wetlands. Level 3 cannot be developed.

Mayor Anderson referred to an article in the News Herald about the Lake County Port Authority's goals for this year. One of the goals is to do an Economic Impact Study of Lost Nation Airport which will determine if the airport has an economic impact on Lake County. Mayor Anderson said that if the airport comes out on the positive side this will give the commissioners a reason to move forward. If its does not come out favorable, we will have to move towards starting to decommission the airport. Discussion followed regarding future use of the land if the airport was decommissioned.

OTHER REPORTS

Law Director Wiles – No report.

Service Director Tomaselli – Commended Ray on the fine job he did with the budget. Councilman Harrold asked about recycling. Mr. Tomaselli said that Waste Management has picked up the specs. Councilman Ranally asked about patching potholes. Mr. Tomaselli said the night crew is doing that now. Mr. Ranally commented on the great job the crews did with snowplowing. Councilman Black said that on Sunday afternoon he saw someone with a pickup truck taking out all the aluminum from the recycling bins at Lowes.

City Engineer Sayles – Reported that within the next two or three days he and Mr. Tomaselli will rate the streets for the road program. The recommendations will be in the Council packets on Friday. Councilman Ranally asked if preliminary work is being done on Erie Road. Mr. Sayles said the surveyors went out and established control but have to wait to locate anything because of the snow. Councilman Ranally asked when Rt. 2 will go out for bid. Mr. Sayles said it will be October of this year. He said that the intersection of Riverside Commons Drive and Lost Nation Road will be reconstructed as part of the Rt. 2 Project because the Lost Nation Road Bridge will be replaced three feet higher than it is now. Mr. Sayles said he was asked if the city would allow a complete closure of the Reeves Road/Lost Nation intersection for two weeks. He said this would be allowed if it was during the summer while school is out since traffic would be routed down Hurricane Drive. Councilman Ranally suggested a city wide informational meeting be held before the start of the project. Mr. Sayles said he was sure that the county would be setting up several public meetings. He will contact them.

Fire Chief Zwegat – Thanked Council for their consideration and passage of their operating budget.

Police Chief Straube - Thanked Council and Mr. Rogowski regarding the budget. Councilman Carr referred to an email he sent to Chief Straube regarding a question from one of the residents asking if Willoughby is a safe zone in immigration policy. Chief Straube explained that an organization through Homeland Security has formed some safe zones through the churches in Painesville. This is not the case in Willoughby. We follow the rules that the government has regarding immigration.

Chief Building and Zoning Inspector Smith– No report. Thanked Council for passing his portion of the budget and thanked Ray for supporting his budget.

Parks & Recreation Director Katz – Thanked Council for the passage of the budget. The Easter Egg Hunt will be a drive thru this Saturday because of the snow conditions at Todd Field. Spring clean up of the parks is running behind. Councilwoman Manning asked if Mr. Katz or the Mayor were contacted by South High's track team. They will be sending kids out on the first Saturday in May to clean up the parks. Mr. Katz has not been contacted. Mrs. Manning will look into this.

Finance Director Rogowski – Thanked Council for getting through the budget tonight and the Directors for the work they did on the budget. Councilwoman Manning thanked Mr. Rogowski for always being readily available for any questions they had during the past week.

COUNCILMEN

Mr. Woodin – No report

Mr. Fiala – Congratulated Mr. Rogowski on the great job with the budget. Commended Mr. Black, Mrs. Manning, Mr. Carr for the part they had in getting the budget through.

Mr. Carr – Thanked Mr. Rogowski and the Mayor for being patient with the many questions he had while going through the budget.

Mrs. Manning – No report.

Mr. Harrold – No report.

Mr. Black – Commented that he recently purchased and watched the City of Willoughby video and recommended that everyone see it.

Mr. Ranally – Thanked Mr. Rogowski and his staff for the fine job on the budget. Thanked all the directors and Mrs. Manning and her committee members, Mr. Black and Mr. Carr. He reminded everyone that the joint meeting with Planning Commission will be held on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the Master Plan and Wind Turbines.

Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Date approved _____

Clerk of Council

Jerome P. Ranally, Council President

David E. Anderson, Mayor