



**Coffee with Council – Public Outreach Meetings**  
**August 27, 2016 – 9:30 a.m.**  
**Location: Panera Bread, 91 N Hamilton Rd.**

PRESENT: Karen Angelou, Brian Metzbower, Stephen Renner, Jamie Leeseberg, Nancy McGregor

Finish roundabout; be done next year; pavement done this season; big dip in the road could cause accidents; on Clark State first two sewer grades don't have orange bags; implantation of roundabouts have made roads safer; roundabouts will eliminate all accidents, but reduce fatalities; helps with speed; appreciate the roundabout in City Hall; it helps them understand the flow of traffic.

Senior Center consider building a new one; limited on what they offer; don't offer much for men; couple hours for poker, but no room to play any games; take a look at Reynoldsburg and what they offer; concerns with size and limited programming; bigger room could allow indoor games; need more male programming.

Is there ordinance on mailboxes and upkeep on maintenance; more curb appeal; rusted and rotting; couple are cracked and leaning; thinks post office or home owner's association (HOA) manages this; gets worse Village of Gahanna of Cherry Bottom.

Problems with driveways; a lot of them crumbling down to the base; can city enforce paving; anyone with gravel is grandfathered in; some have weeds and grass; this affects the value; mailboxes are cheap to fix.

New development; building that was started 8 years ago and the basement has been sitting there; end of Beecher Crossing North at the end of cul-de-sac; been taken to court; no action taken to date.

Shorter fences along front of house need to be permitted; unless replacing with existing fence; a lot of fences in city that aren't permitted.

Against free range backyard chickens in the city; don't want them in city; code isn't clear if they are pinned; issues with them running free; sections aren't clear; problem with the square feet; you can have up to 5 depending on acreage; Planning Commission will review code changes and make recommendation back to Council; so many questions; things aren't clear and aren't tight; people have chickens in the city now; don't follow rules now; it could get worse to police chickens; too much for the city to enforce; will City require vaccination; who makes sure they follow rules; board of health could assist with monitoring permits; wants to see due diligence on chicken code.

Swale in backyard at end is catch basin connected to the sewer can't do anything to fill in swale; water lays there; not area being cleaned; it's eroding; 933 Bryn Mar Drive; been going on last 2 years; installed a french drain but his can only handle so much; Clotts between Johnstown southbound is completely eroding away.

What is happening at 62 and Stygler roundabout; nothing is planned; just a concept; contacting someone to design a plan; budgeted money for that; it is a possibility; those areas are being looked at; traffic backs up on Johnstown Road; that idea was in strategic plan; addressing concerns in that part of town; it's a priority.

Council member attended Insight2050; looks at concept; showed 500K people coming into the region; that is reality is half that amount; 115K so far this year in central Ohio; figure out where we are going to put all these people; people coming to Ohio; good businesses and restaurants; Columbus is growing rapidly; 495 square miles will be needed to handle these people; change the way we think; concerns about density; it's coming; making things more walkable and acceptable; change in demographics; shift in what we need; important part for residents remaining that have viable businesses; even slimming width of cars; adding lanes for walkers; public transportation needs to be looked at; buses will be used more; creating a place with all services; shared uses; Gabe Cline author; great book on this matter; called Start Up City; Smart City will help with this progression; different mindset; find where you want to live and you work there; attract more people here; need to have jobs for people; we need to sell ourselves; Pittsburgh has cars that will drive by themselves this weekend; asked if they discussed energy at Insight2050; residents don't trust experts; community wants to be involved; anything we can do to have a better atmosphere; be a part of sustainability; new urban designs will promote walkable environment; more multi use paths; planned unit developing is coming; increase in population; address mobility; building city centers as population grows; need to maintain city where people want to move; different perspective than people are used to; shift in type of houses; more condos; less yard work and upkeep; checking the trends; ebbs and flows; people want to come here and live downtown Columbus; use transit system; can work and do all chores and travel by bus.