

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 26, 2009

7:00 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Public Service & Safety

*David L. Samuel, Chair
Shane Ewald
Nancy R. McGregor*

Members Present: Nancy R. McGregor, David L. Samuel and Shane W. Ewald

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

John Dobbie, Ken Shepherd, Karl Wetherholt, Mike Andrako, Jerry Isler, Gen. Jim Williams, Grant Reveal, Dep. Chief Ken Bell, Terry Emery, Dottie Franey, Chris Miller, Brandi Braun, Tom Evers; Gaylon Vickers.

Dave Samuel said he would like to resign as Chairman and would nominate Nancy McGregor as Chairman; Ewald seconded the nomination.

ISSUES - From Chief of Police:

2009 Cruiser Purchase

Deputy Chief Bell said we are requesting legislation to authorize the purchase of two Dodge Charger police vehicles; out of the Police Major Capital Budget; they will replace two Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors due to high mileage and wear; some equipment can be salvaged; this is the normal rotation of cruisers.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; no need to come back; 2nd Reading, Consent.

ISSUES - From City Engineer:

TechCenter Drive - Hamilton to Morrison, Imp. No. ST762

Wetherholt said this will finish out design work for the project and modify the scope of work; have received a proposal for \$396,915 to complete the design; this reflects the latest Federal Highway Design requirements; appropriated \$175,000 last year to keep the project moving; remaining is \$221,915 for this planned work which was set aside in the 2009 Appropriations; requesting ordinance to modify the scope of work with Transystems for the design of Tech Center Drive.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; no need to come back; 2nd reading, Consent.

ISSUES - From Director of Public Service:

Permission to Bid - Materials, Fire Hydrant Program

Emery said we bid these materials each year now. After question Emery said 95% or better are operational; do 20 to 30 each year depending on bids; like to stay ahead of the game; we do the inspections of the fire hydrants.

Recommendation: Motion Resolution, Consent.

Gahanna Cable Franchise Code

Emery said Chris Miller of SZD is here if you have any questions; also have 3 members of the Cable Advisory Board here; John Dobbie, Joe Gatesman and Ken Shepherd. Emery continued that the members of the Cable Advisory Board have served the citizens of Gahanna well and just want to thank the. With SB 117 going into affect the Board

along with recommendation of Miller agreed that it would be in the best interest to repeal, in their entirety, two chapters of code, 150 and 751; back in 2007 Council did approve Chapter 753, Video Service Authorizations of which contained some of the items initiated with SB 117; transition period from cable franchises into VSA's; asking for legislation to repeal, and asking for emergency to put us into compliance; this is fully supported by the Board, and will result in the elimination of the Board.

Everyone thanked the members for their years of service.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; no need to come back; 2nd Reading, Consent. (Will be two separate ordinances.)

Parkedge Swale

Emery said this is to enter into contract with Watcon Engineers; this is to help alleviate the erosion problem; tried to do in house and erosion continued; do have sufficient funds; just need to authorize contract for the design services; area is fenced off so there can be no access..

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; no need to come back; 2nd Reading, Consent.

Fiber Restoration/Protection & Management Agreement

Emery said in building out fiber system over the last year and a half we always knew we would bring this forward; for fiber restoration and protection and management; to assist us and to provide maintenance and restoration when necessary and manage our fiber optic network; will need assistance in care and maintenance of the fiber system; could be as simple as OOPS calls when construction work is going to take place; they would do check within a certain time frame which is outlined in the agreement; also work in right of way; they would put fiber back in working order if it is cut or breaks; they would also maintain records of fiber assistance; this will be something we will be bringing forth each year; funding is available from the interest incurred from investment of the project's bond money.

Ewald asked if the scope of the coverage expands with our network? Emery said the only thing that might happen with the restoration and protection agreement more chances for OOPS checks; that aspect could increase over time because of the fiber network; right now we want to see how it works out and how much we need to call them; we do retain data ownership.

Samuel asked if other companies made proposals? Emery said CFN is tied into the network that encompasses the central Ohio region; found them very responsive and will be monitoring over the next several years.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; no need to come back; 2nd Reading, Consent.

Supplemental Appropriation - DHB Purchase Agreement

Emery said this is part of the original agreement that we set out the WiFi portion of the contract; a portion of the funds to pay DHB for the wi-fi/fiber purchase agreement was not included; agreement calls for the City to pay DHB \$87,500 per year during the next 4 years; set up this way because we did not want to pay up front; asking for emergency and waiver of 2nd reading..

Recommendation: 1st Reading; Waiver of 2nd Reading, Consent.

ISSUES - From Clerk of Council:

Liquor Permit - A2Z Xess Wholesale Inc, DBA Cigara, 471 Morrison Road

Sherwood said this is for new C-1 and C-2 permits for A2Z Xess Wholesale Inc., DBA, Cigara, 471 Morrison Road; Police Department has no objections.

Recommendation: Motion Resolution, Consent.

Donna L. Jernigan, MMC, Sr. Deputy Clerk of Council