

Wickliffe City Council Meeting
April 25, 2016

A regular meeting of Wickliffe City Council was called to order by Council President David J. Krych at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 25, 2016. Serving as Clerk of Council for this meeting was Susan M. Iafelice. The following were present at roll call:

Mayor	William A. Margalis
Council President	David J. Krych
Council Members	James Bala, Ronald Ely, Matthew Jaworski, Sherry Koski, Edward Levon, Edward Matyja
Director of Law	Scott J. Zele excused; William C. Gargiulo in attendance
Finance Director	Martin J. Germ
Service Director	Joseph D'Ambrosio
Engineer	Peter J. Formica
Building Commissioner	Raymond F. Sack
Recreation Director	Timothy E. Stopp
Police Chief	Randy E. Ice
Fire Chief	James G. Powers
Economic Development Coordinator	Jason Laver excused

Approval of minutes - Moved by Ms. Koski, seconded by Mr. Ely, that the minutes of the City Council Meeting of April 11, 2016 be approved. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

Reports and communications from Mayor/Safety Director - Mayor Margalis commented on an article in *Crain's Cleveland Business* regarding ABB's search for a new location. Neither ABB nor Mayor Margalis had offered any comments to the reporter. Mayor Margalis requested that a proposed agreement with Economic Development Solutions be placed in the Finance Committee for consideration.

Reports and communications from Director of Law - Former Director of Law William C. Gargiulo reported on behalf of Scott Zele that the lease agreement for an electronic sign on City property was sent to the lessee's attorney for review. Mr. Gargiulo also reported that in the Miller and Mosley vs City of Wickliffe cases, the plaintiffs' briefs are due May 2, 2016. The brief on behalf of the City is due June 3, 2016 and will be submitted by our insurance company's attorney, Mr. Nick Tomino. Mr. Gargiulo will report back when the appellate brief is received.

Communications from Council President - Two documents were received concerning liquor permits: New permit application for 29000 Euclid Avenue and a TRES transfer application for 30220 Euclid Avenue. Applications will be given to the respective Council persons for perusal and decision.

Mr. Krych added to the Finance Committee a budget transfer for the Swimming Pool Fund.

Mr. Krych scheduled committee meetings for Monday, May 2, 2016 in Council Chambers: Legislation and Welfare Committee at 7:00 pm to discuss prohibited animals; Improvement Committee at 7:15 pm to discuss future projects; and Finance Committee at 7:30 pm to discuss future revenue, the proposed Economic Development Solutions contract, and a transfer of funds for the Swimming Pool Fund.

Additions or amendments to the agenda - none

Administrators

Police Chief Ice stated that the Police Department 2015 Annual Report was sent to Council Members electronically.

Fire Chief Powers stated that the Fire Department 2015 Annual Report was sent to Council Members electronically.

Finance Director Germ replied to Ms. Koski's question regarding tax season that four staff members have been working on income tax returns and he expects all of the returns will be processed by the end of May 2016.

Engineer Formica had nothing to add to his report attached. Mr. Jaworski requested an update on the Buena Vista flood plain. Pete replied that he is currently working on the project and will have a report for FEMA by the week of May 2, 2016.

Service Director D'Ambrosio reported that the concrete was poured on Grand Blvd. on April 22, 2016. Weather permitting, driveways should be re-instated this week. Asphalt repairs on our streets can now begin since the plants have opened this week. The Service Department performed light sewer cleaning and videotaped the lines on East 291st Street and Elm Street in order to save on project costs. Opening Day for both girls' and boys' leagues is Saturday, April 30, 2016 at Jindra Park. Two Service Department staff will work.

Building Commissioner Sack reported that there is a CDBG program available that was designed to assist low-income homeowners in making repairs.

Mr. Margalis added that there are County funds still available to demolish dilapidated, abandoned homes. Anyone who is aware of a home that meets this criteria may contact Mr. Sack.

Recreation Director Stopp stated that he is still accepting applications for life guards. The application form is available on the website.

Audience participation - Barbara Neff, 1409 East 300th Street, expressed her concerns regarding work being performed on a property on Euclid Avenue that in her opinion is creating noise, dust, messing up Euclid Avenue. She asked what was being done to protect the wetlands area on her property. Mr. Formica stated that a wetlands study was performed by the developer and reviewed by the Army Corps of Engineers, designating that the area is not to be touched. Mr. Formica will contact Lake County Soil & Water Conservation for another review of the area. When asked about a permit to operate a crusher, Mr. Sack replied that the concrete being crushed on another 25-acre parcel of land will be left on the site until they sell it and that a permit is not required to perform the cleanup. Ms. Koski asked Mr. Sack to confirm that soils are being trucked in from a sewer project in Cuyahoga County to fill in the property with hopes to make it attractive before selling it. Mr. Sack confirmed. When asked by Mr. Ely, Mr. Sack confirmed that the EPA approves of the land being filled with cement, blacktop, and clean fill. Mr. Ely reported that he visited the site to request truck drivers to keep noise to a minimum.

Committee reports – There were no committee reports.

Commission reports - Ms. Koski reported for Keep Wickliffe Beautiful: Arbor Day celebration is scheduled for April 28 at Jindra Park. Volunteers collected 147 bags of trash during the freeway ramp cleanups on April 22. The shred files/computer recycling event is April 30, 2016.

Old business – There was no old business.

New business – There was no new business.

Ordinances – There were no ordinances on the agenda.

Resolutions – There were no resolutions on the agenda.

Miscellaneous - Council President David Krych reminded all that the first Bicentennial 2017 planning session is scheduled for Thursday, April 28, 2016, 7:00 pm at the Community/Senior Center. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Levon invited all to attend the Opening Day baseball games on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at Jindra Park with Mayor Margalis throwing the first pitch at 9:00 am. Games will continue through 3:00 pm.

Adjournment - There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Levon, seconded by Mr. Bala, that the City Council Meeting of April 25, 2016 be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Approved: May 9, 2016

Susan M. Papelme
Clerk of Council

David Krych
Council President - Presiding Officer