

**TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 19, 2010**

The Trotwood City Council met in their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Monday, April 19, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trotwood Community Center, 4000 Lake Center Drive, Trotwood, Ohio. Mayor Joyce Sutton Cameron asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Council Member Bettye L.Gales, Council Member Rap Hankins, Council Member Mary A. McDonald, Council Member Barbara J. Staggs, Vice-Mayor Ronald Vaughn, and Mayor Joyce Sutton Cameron.

Staff Members present: City Manager Michael J. Lucking, Law Director Steve McHugh, Police Chief Quincy Pope, Acting Fire Chief Mike Gibson, Acting Finance Director Patricia Shively, Public Works Director Thomas Odenigbo, Planning and Zoning Administrator Carl Daugherty, Building Department Manager Scott Adams, Parks and Recreation Specialist Terry Lodge, Clerk of Council Lois M. Singleton (absent-vacation), and Secretary to City Manager/Deputy Clerk of Council Sandy Riege.

VISITORS

George Riber, Rexann Wagner, Diana Whitt, Ronald and Joanne Koester, Dave Norvell, Icee Murphy, Theodore Fowler, Nancy Marino, Henry Crist Trotwood Police Department, Faith Johnson, Juanita Barnett, William Bishop, Cheryl Johnson, State Representative Roland Winburn, Ellsworth Szkudlarek, George Tyler, S. Collier, Janet Foote, Bruce Kettelle, Rhonda Finley, H, Patton, Adrienne Heard, Shirley Barber, Tanya Anderson, Joseph McDonald, Twila Williams, Tom Grady, Oscar & Totsie Holliday, Janice Chinn, Loren & Virginia Gross, Reade Faulkner, Ted Valley, John Fecke, George Weitendorf, and Toni Coleman.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Presentation – Adrienne L. Heard represented by the “Citizens Committee for Trotwood-Madison City Schools” – May 4 Operating School Levy Issue 6.

Mrs. Heard on behalf of the Citizens Committee is the representative of the citizens committee, indicated the schools have been doing a good job being fiscally conservative over the years and would like City Council's endorsement to continue to work together for our city's future. Mrs. Rex Ann Wagner, Acting Superintendent said the school and the city work hand in hand explained this operating levy is needed. They are at the point now more revenue is needed in order to keep the schools operating. Mrs. Diane Whitt the school Treasurer passed out the information flyer along with five year forecast. She said, the last operating levy was passed in 1996, however, the cost of living and expenses has increased. In 2013 their projected forecast would be \$5,063,551. Last year in 2009 two levies were on the election ballot that failed. As a result, cuts were made to the facilities along with staff reductions. If the levy passes it will bring in 1.8 million dollars and collecting revenues in 2011, which will offset the deficit that they now have. They are asking for the support of Trotwood City Council and the citizens for their support as they are now in continuous improvement.

Vice Mayor Vaughn asked if this levy passes will there still be layoffs? Mrs. Whitt said the 34 positions were eliminated last year and will not return.

Motion was made by Mrs. McDonald acknowledge our support for Issue 6 Operating Levy and it was seconded by Mrs. Staggs. Roll Call resulted in 5 affirmative votes with one recusal (Gales) and the Motion passed unanimously.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

This agenda is reserved for routine items requiring a vote of Council. Rather than vote individually on these items, they have been placed on the consent agenda allowing the Council to approve all of the items through one motion. The items on the consent agenda are as follows:

1). RESOLUTION 10-36: A RESOLUTION BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL ENDORSING THE FINDINGS FROM THE EXISTING CONDITION ASSESSMENT PHASE OF GOING PLACES – AN INTEGRATED LAND USE VISION FOR THE MIAMI VALLEY REGION.

Mayor Cameron requested a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. A Motion was made by Mrs. Gales and it was seconded by Mr. Hankins. Roll Call resulted in 6 affirmative votes for approval.

VI. RESOLUTIONS.

1). RESOLUTION 10-37: A RESOLUTION BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A SWIMMING POOL CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND THE YMCA OF GREATER DAYTON. City Manager Lucking explained the city's portion of this cost is \$20,000.00. The pool will begin operation on Saturday, May 29, 2010, hours from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm daily. All staffing will be provided by the Dayton YMCA. Trotwood residents can purchase a family summer pass for \$99.00 or pay to attend daily. This is a great value for our citizens with this partnership between UTS and the Greater Dayton YMCA.

Vice-Mayor Vaughn asked who will be participating on the advisory committee. The city's Parks and Recreation Specialist Terry Lodge is our representative along with Gayle Horton representing the YMCA and their new CEO. In the agreement Vice-Mayor stated the cost of repairs is 50/50, if it becomes more than that how will this be handled? City Manager Lucking along with the Law Director said we will add a clause to the agreement. Mrs. McDonald wanted to know what we budgeted last year and will the costs to operate rise. City Manager confirmed we budgeted 13,000.00 and it is unknown if the cost will rise.

Mayor Cameron requested a Motion to approve Resolution 10-37. Vice-Mayor Vaughn made the Motion and it was seconded by Mrs. Staggs. Roll Call resulted in 6 affirmative votes for approval.

2). RESOLUTION 10-38: A RESOLUTION BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING THE RATIONALE FOR THE AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION CONCESSIONS FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ADDENDUM TO THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT OR A MEMORANDUM ("MOU") WITH THE TROTWOOD CHAPTER OF THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, REPRESENTATING BOTH POLICE OFFICERS AND POLICE SERGEANTS.

City Manager Lucking explained the city has been working with the collective bargaining units over the past several months with the intention of no layoffs of personnel. A concession

agreement was made by the Patrol and Police Sergeants Union that provides a savings for the city as follows: a). Furlough of 8 hours per month, b). relinquishment of 24 hours of holiday pay and c). Voluntary reduction in uniform allowance equivalent to 20 hours of pay. City Manager and the Trotwood City Council thanked everyone who participated in this process.

Mayor Cameron requested a Motion to add resolution 10-39 to the agenda. Mrs. McDonald made the Motion and it was seconded by Mrs. Gales. Roll call resulted in 6 affirmative votes for approval.

3). RESOLUTION 10-39: BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROTWOOD, OHIO APPOINTING NICOLE JOHNSON TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE CITY COUNCIL.

Mayor Cameron requested a Motion to approve Resolution 10-39. Mrs. McDonald made the Motion and Mr. Hankins seconded. Roll Call resulted in 6 affirmative votes for approval.

4). Oath of Office to Nicole Johnson Selected for appointment at the Special City Council Meeting Saturday, April 17, 2010 to fill Ward 1 District City Council position. Mayor Cameron announced Nicole Johnson to fill this vacancy and the Oath of Office was given.

Congratulations and welcome to Trotwood City Council. She is honored to serve the citizens of Ward 1, please contact her at any time.

VII. Old and New Business:

A). Mayor

1). Mayor Joyce Cameron Office Hours – Friday each week 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Please call the Clerk of Council at 854-7212 or e-mail [lsingleton@trotwood.org](mailto:lsingleton@trotwood.org) to schedule a time for you to meet with the Mayor.

2). Acknowledgement – 2009 Rotarian of the Year Award – Ted Fowler Mayor Cameron recognized Citizen Ted Fowler for their outstanding contribution, and volunteerism throughout the year 2009. Trotwood City Council congratulates him with the prestigious award.

3). Reminder - "Mayors Walk and Talk" scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in the Ward 1 - Oakview Estates neighborhood.

B). City Manager.

1). Reminder: Trotwood website [www.trotwood.org](http://www.trotwood.org).

C). Council Members Comments.

Mrs. McDonald inquired about the "Group Home" meeting last week as she could not be represented in her Ward. City Manager Lucking attended last week for a group home located on Stormont. He explained they are protected by the Federal Fair Housing Laws. Concerns with the neighbors were addressed resulted in a positive light.

Mrs. Gales wanted to remind citizens about turning in their 2010 Census forms.

D). Staff Reports.

1). Carl Daugherty, Planning and Zoning Administrator - East Main Street CDBG Redevelopment Project.

Carl Daugherty explained back in 2009 the city received CDBG allocation in the amount of \$75,000.00 earmarked specifically for streetscape improvements on the Main Street Corridor funding by the American Recovery Act. Three components are involved: 1) construction of landscaping, 2) decorative lighting, and 3) additional pedestrian and transit improvements. Changes will take place from west bound Olive Road to Broadway. New Decorative Lighting arms with tear drop lamps will be on 38 poles that DP&L will service and maintain utilizing energy efficient soft white lights illuminating the streets below. The annual increase of this new system lease calculates for \$104.10 per month. This lighting project will have numerous benefits to the corridor and very cost effective.

Mr. Hankins asked why isn't LED lighting used. Carl explained the confidence level and technology is still unknown at this time. Mayor Cameron wanted to know what will happen with the property located in Ward 1 Broadway & Stuckhardt. Carl said it's his desire to come back to this site resources permitting for cleanup. A new owner has come forward and wants to rehab the building. Carl announced there's a new Donut Palace will have a satellite location on Main Street next door to the Trotwood Florist to be occupied in the month of May.

2). Pat Shively, Acting Finance Director - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Revenue Review.

Acting Finance Director Patricia Shively made the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Revenue showed an ending 1 qtr balance of \$4,929,629. Most expenditures were done in the first quarter over 8 million The principal and interest on our notes calculated The Property tax advances we had two levies that were passed in November, Fire/EMS capital purchases and Public Works Street Levy showed wit the total revenue for 2010. The current expenses totaled \$14,540,217 less the debt is at 20.9% of the budget for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter. The comparison 2009 vs. 2010 is under what we did in 2009. We have implemented a spending diet program for all departments. The home foreclosure here in Montgomery County filing increased to 31% overall. She researched our city and found we had 1,724 delinquent accounts which total less than 8% of the total.

Mrs. McDonald asked for a five year projection and should be on going. to track our progress.

Mrs. Gales said she would like to see a monthly report instead of quarterly. Vice-Mayor Vaughn thanked the City Manager for implementing the "spending diet" program.

IV. Visitors and Communications.

Ronald L. Koesters, 7849 Post Town Road, Ward 3

Asked if City Council has the same spending diet for their travel? Thinks everyone should tighten their belts.

Mayor Cameron thanked everyone for attending this meeting.

- V. Motion to Adjourn. Mrs. Staggs moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and was second by Mrs. Gales. Roll Call resulted in six (6) yes votes, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Sandra L. Riege, Deputy Clerk of Council. CMC

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Mayor Joyce Sutton Cameron

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Ronald Vaughn, Vice-Mayor