

**TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2009**

The Trotwood City Council met in their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trotwood Community Center, 4000 Lake Center Drive, Trotwood, Ohio. Mayor Darreyl D. Davis asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff Members present: City Manager Michael J. Lucking; Law Director Steve McHugh, Acting Finance Director Patricia Shively, Fire & Rescue Chief Eugene Lutz, Police Chief Quincy E. Pope, Sr., Police Captain Erik Wilson, Planning & Zoning Administrator Carl Daugherty, Building Program Manager/Code Enforcement Scott Adams, Recreation Program Specialist Terry Lodge, Human Resources Manager Barbara Brooks, and Secretary to City Manager/Deputy Clerk Sandy Riege, and Clerk of Council Lois M. Singleton.

VISITORS:

Theodore C. Fowler, William Krest, James D. Williams, II, Chris Hayward (ACTGRO), Cynthia Monie, George Riber, Glenda Griffin, Ralph & Phyllis Goins, George Weitendorf, Ellsworth Szkudlarek, Dave Szkudlarek, Virginia Litchfield, Pamela Brown, Cozy Smith, Ronald Koesters, Willie Marvin, Mattie Clay, Thomas Clay, Janet A. Foote, Elder Charles Byrd (Residence In Praise), Janice Chinn, Shirley B. Barber, Joseph McDonald, Virginia & Loren Gross, Cindy Baughman, Duane Plessinger, Oscar L. Holliday, Totsie Holliday, Helen Sarsgard, Beverly Tomlinson, George Tyler, Raymond L. Birdsong, Dave Norvell, Herbert Marshall, Tom Grady, Jessica McGrew, Bruce Kettelle (Totally Trotwood), Lowell Forward, Lawanda Walker, Dora Garner, Raymond Garner, Richard Farncomb, and Toni Coleman (Dayton Daily News).

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

PRESENTATION – RESIDENCE IN PRAISE FINE ARTS CENTER – UPDATE OF ACTIVITIES – ELDER CHARLES BYRD: Evening Under the Stars presented at Residence in Praise – 5 Stuckhardt Drive was well received, and well attended. Mayor Davis has put Residence in Praise and the Dayton Gems together for their Friday, October 16, 2009 Season Opener. Residence in Praise will sing the National Anthem at Hara Arena – 7:00 P.M. Residence in Praise is made up of music, drama and the arts. A presentation of High School Musical II will take place on November 13-16, 2009. The tickets are \$10.00, and you may telephone 854-3500 or e-mail residenceinpraise.org for more information.

PRESENTATION – TROTWOOD HARVEST FAMILY FUN WALK - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH – 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. – MADISON PARK – CYNTHIA MONIE: Recreation Program Specialist Terry Lodge and Cynthia Monie, Parks & Recreation Board Member talked about the upcoming event. This is the 7th year for the event, and it is one of the signature events for the region. We have been tracking the attendance as a suggestion of the Mayor. This year Phillips Temple Church is partnering with the City to make the event even more outstanding. There are 50 participants/cars for the Trunk n' Treat event, 4 Hay wagons, bouncers, there are 26 booths and hot dogs will be offered this year. The event is free and open to all children, and provides a safe venue for a Halloween event. Bring your children on Saturday, October 24th 4-6:00 p.m. We are seeking donations of bags of candies. There were 1500 children participating last year. Children are age stroller to 12 years old. Please come out with your children and enjoy this event.

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). Council Meeting Minutes – Regular Scheduled Meeting – Monday, September 21, 2009.
- 2). Motion of the Trotwood City Council to endorse Issue #4 Five Rivers MetroParks Levy on the November 3, 2009 Election Ballot.
- 3). Motion of the Trotwood City Council to request the Law Director to draft legislation for the Reappropriation of the FY2009 Appropriation Ordinance, and to schedule a public Hearing.
- 4). David Szkudlarek, member of the Park and Recreation Board term is expiring effective October 31, 2009.
- 5). RESOLUTION 09-87: A RESOLUTION BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF MIDWOOD BRIDGE TO CK EXCAVATING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$105,164.69.

Mayor Davis requested a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Hankins moved to approve the Consent Agenda, and seconded by Mrs. Gales. Roll Call resulted in 7 yes votes, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION 09-88: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION TO MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL SAFETEA-LU FUNDS:

The Clerk of Council read the caption. City Manager Michael J. Lucking said the Public Works Director has prioritized four (4) projects to be encompassed in the grant: 1) The State Route 49 Connector for resurfacing and various upgrades and maintenance repairs; 2) Wolf Creek Pike from Little Richmond Road to State Route 49 – proposed work would include curb, gutter, sidewalk, pavement repair, asphalt overlay and pavement marking; 3) Shiloh Springs Road/Union Road Intersection – to include traffic signalization, right- of-way acquisition and intersection widening. This upgrade is contemplated due to increased vehicular traffic primarily associated with the Trotwood High School facility on Union Road; and 4) Union Road/Westbrook Road Realignment – this would encompass the entirety of Union Road within the Trotwood Corporation limits. The intersection at Union Road and Westbrook would be realigned to be contiguous. Additionally, the proposed project would include asphalt overlay, culvert replacement, drainage improvements, right-of-way acquisition and pavement markings. The grant is consistent with the City's Thoroughfare Plan, repair and replacement needs and the City's strategic planning for leveraging Federal grant dollars. There is an 80-20 match. Mayor Davis requested a Motion to approve Resolution 09-88. Mr. Hankins moved to approve Resolution 09-88, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Cameron. Roll call resulted in 7 yes votes, and Resolution 09-88 was approved unanimously.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor:

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- 1) Mayor Darreyl D. Davis Office Hours – please call the Clerk of Council at 854-7212 or e-mail Mrs. Singleton at lsingleton@trotwood.org to schedule a meeting at any time that is convenient.
- 2) Dayton Gems Season Opener – Friday, October 16th 7:00 p.m. at Hara Arena. Please support this event.
- 3) Farm Tour – Saturday and Sunday, October 10 & 11th 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. There are handouts this evening for those who would like to attend.
- 4) IAMS PIONEER HARVEST FEST – Saturday, October 10th 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- 5) Trotwood Harvest Family Fun Walk – Saturday, October 16th 4-6:00 p.m. We commend Cynthia Monie for continuing to make this event what it is today.
- 6) Office of Family and Children First – West Third Street – Brother Raymond Fitz has created an award program to honor those who work with children. Contact the Office of Family and Children First to get the nomination criteria, and paperwork which must be submitted by December 31st.

CITY MANAGER:

- 1) Reminder for citizens to use the Trotwood Website - www.trotwood.org

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Council Member Mary A. McDonald:

Support for the Neighborhood Block Party: Saturday, October 3rd 2:00-5:00 p.m. Thank you to those who supported the block party. There was music, fun, unity and diversity. Thank you to the residents who came out. We had a great time.

Donations for Thanksgiving Baskets: We will be collecting foodstuffs and donations for the citizens of Trotwood. No one will go hungry.

Council Member Bettye L. Gales:

Attendance at the Block Party: The event was great fun, and well attended.

Attendance at the 175th Anniversary of the Sisters of the Precious Blood: Great turn out on Sunday at Precious Blood Church.

Council Member Rap Hankins:

Attendance at 175th Anniversary of the Sisters of the Precious Blood: Mr. Hankins Represented Mayor Darreyl D. Davis and read the proclamation for the event. The Sisters of the Precious Blood are proud to be a part of the community.

STAFF:

NEW LIQUOR PERMIT: TO: WALGREEN CO., DBA WALGREENS 01548, 5271 SALEM AVENUE, TROTWOOD, OHIO 45426: Police Chief Quincy Pope said the Police Department does not have any reason to request a hearing on the request for a new permit, Class I and Class II permits. Mr. Vaughn said he contacted the Department of Liquor Control and was told this is a statewide effort for Walgreens. Mayor Davis requested a motion to approve the permit request with no public hearing.

Vice-Mayor Cameron moved to approve the permit request with no public hearing, and seconded by Mrs. Gales. Roll call resulted in 7 yes votes, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. McDonald asked for an update on Higgins Station. Police Chief Quincy Pope said he is working with Code Enforcement and other Law Enforcement officials. There is an ongoing investigation and therefore some information that I cannot provide. I want to assure everyone that we are monitoring this situation and will have a resolution.

VISITORS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Theodore C. Fowler – 5113 Weddington Drive 45426-Ward 2: I am on the committee for both the Trotwood Road Levies and Trotwood Fire & EMS Levies. The levies are on the ballot on November 3rd. I am going to talk about the Trotwood Road Levies tonight, Issues 16 & 17. These levies are critical for the City and will cost a homeowner approximately .12cents per day. The passage of these levies will impact pothole repair, snow removal, cleaner and safer roads, safe roads for emergency vehicles, reinstatement of leaf collection program. The passage of Issues 16 and 17 will enhance the level of our current services. Pastor Washington at Phillips Temple is the Chair of the Committee. We enlist your support of these vital issues for the City of Trotwood.

James D. Williams, II – 4538 Freudenberger Avenue 45417-Ward 4: Thank you for the Midwood Bridge Project. I have been working with the City Manager on some issues in Townview, the culverts off Guenther and Little Richmond Road.

George Riber – 8 Caisson Street 45426 - Ward 3: Leaf collection should continue as was voted in last year. I am working against the levies. Barbara Staggs and others are taking a vacation on the residents.

Chris Hayward – 1285 Graystone Drive 45417 – Ward 4: The education of our Council is important. Mary McDonald has been less than respectful and exhibited bad behavior. Chris Hayward has not asked for anything for herself, but support of Townview. It is disrespectful to talk in the manner she has. Mary McDonald does not respect low income people.

Virginia Litchfield – 1435 Stuben Drive 45417 – Ward 4: There is a stigmatism about Townview associated with the merger. There was an article in the October 9th Dayton Daily News. Thank you to Police and Fire Departments for all that you do in the neighborhood.

Janice Chinn – 5213 Weigold Ct. 45426 – Ward 2: People have attacked Mrs. McDonald this evening. People are very negative. I appreciate what you do. I know Mrs. McDonald has supported Chris Hayward down in Townview. I apologize for the citizens this evening.

Helen Sarsgard – 5879 Horrell Road 45426 – Ward 1: I am disappointed that Greyhound has been approved for Trotwood. I do not shop at Sears or Burlington Coat Factory. I would pay \$416.00 additional taxes if the levies are approved on my \$100,000.00 home. Get Salem Avenue straightened up. You cannot travel on Salem Avenue.

Beverly Tomlinson – 5855 Horrell Road 45426 – Ward 1: Intersection on Salem Avenue, left turn by Shell Station. Poorly designed. Someone will get hurt. Reevaluate the way the City looks. Allen Refrigeration – made claims about how they would improve the property. Several have made complaints about the way the property looks – trees have been planted along the weeds on Shiloh

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Springs Road. Pray for the City of Trotwood. There is too much division. Let's work together and agree to disagree.

Council Member Ron Vaughn – Go to any City around Trotwood. I challenge you to open your mind and see what is happening around us. We are not unique and we are not alone. The unstable economy has come full circle. Let's have a positive attitude. The nay sayers will be proven wrong. The City Council is working together to get some positive results for the City.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Mayor Davis said the Meeting is adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Lois M. Singleton, Clerk of Council

Darreyl D. Davis, Mayor