

City of Deer Park
City Council Meeting
Municipal Building
September 14, 2015

President Comer opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. The Clerk read the roll. Mrs. Hedger, Mr. Lehane, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Perin, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell, Mr. Tolliver. Mrs. Hedger motioned to excuse Ms. Newsom. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2015 City Council Meeting and the September 8, 2015 Committee Meeting. Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Mr. Tolliver mentioned two typos that need to be corrected on the September 8, 2015 Committee Meeting minutes. Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Lehane seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor's Proclamation Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Donnellon proclaimed the month of September 2015 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the city of Deer Park and urged all residents to increase awareness by knowing the importance of screening for men to prevent this cancer that takes the lives of roughly 30,000 men per year.

Mayor's Proclamation Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Donnellon proclaimed the month of September 2015 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in the city of Deer Park and urged all residents to help by increasing awareness and support. Cancer is the leading cause of death in children ages infancy through age 15.

Change in Agenda

President Comer announced a change in tonight's agenda. Mr. Tim Casto will give an update on Redmont Avenue therefore this Public Works Committee topic will be first tonight.

Public Works Committee

Redmont Avenue Update

Mr. Tim Casto reported that after a review of Redmont Avenue it was found that there is some chipping and the asphalt and catch basins both need work. This is being fixed at contractor expense. Mr. Berens noted that there is a meeting with the contractor on Wednesday September 16 at 3 p.m.

Public Comment – Citizens and Guests - None

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee

July 2015 Auditor's & Treasurer's Reports

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the July 2015 Auditor's and Treasurer's Reports. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

August 2015 Income Tax Report

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the August 2015 Income Tax report. Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

July 2015 JEDZ Report

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the July 2015 JEDZ Report. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Auditor of State Award

Mrs. Hedger announced that the City of Deer Park and Mr. Applegate received the Auditor of State Award from Ohio Auditor Dave Yost after a recently completed financial audit which showed clean and accurate record keeping, which are the foundation of good government.

Municipal Income Tax Ordinance First Reading

Ordinance 2015-20 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 182 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF DEER PARK, OH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Hedger asked the Clerk to read Ordinance 2015-20. An ordinance enacting chapter 182 of the codified ordinances of Deer Park, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. So read. Mrs. Hedger motioned to move to the second reading on September 28, 2015 at the city council Meeting. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Mrs. Hedger – yes, Mr. Lehane - yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp - yes, Mr. Tassell – yes. Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried.

Safety Committee

August 2015 Fire District Report

Mr. Lehane reported that for the month of August there were 41 fire runs and 187 EMS runs for a total of 228 runs. For the year so far there have been 1,689 total runs.

Mr. Lehane announced as a reminder that he will be attending the Fire Board meeting on Tuesday September 15 regarding a possible contract with Columbia Township to provide coverage in their extended areas. Mr. Lehane will report back at the next city council meeting on September 28.

August 2015 Police Department Report

Mr. Perin reported that on August 19, Lt. Farmer attempted to stop a vehicle on Blue Ash at Matson Ave. The driver turned onto Matson Ave., parked the car and ran on foot leaving two subjects in the car. P.O Faehr caught the driver on Duneden Ave. a few minutes later. P.O. Volland and P.O. Faehr searched the area for contraband that the driver possibly dropped while running. It was never located. The two subjects were interviewed and released at the scene. The vehicle was towed and the driver was taken to CJC on multiple charges.

Mr. Perin reported that during the month of August that there were 275 calls on 1st shift, 363 calls on 2nd shift and 252 calls on 3rd shift for a total of 829 calls.

Mr. Tolliver reported that many cars have been broke into lately as a result of cars being left unlocked and reminded all to lock their vehicles.

Public Works Committee

In-House Street Repairs

Mr. Tassell asked if Mr. Berens had any updates on in-house street repairs. Mr. Berens replied that he has not had a chance to talk at length with Mr. Applegate on the funding for this project though the money may come from road funds. For a cost of \$2000.00 in materials the following streets can be grinded and repaired: Superior, Richmond, Matson Ct., Eustis, O'Leary, Quartermaine, MacNicholas, Webster and Lansdowne. Mr. Berens stated that he and Mr. Tassel also spoke about Linden Ave. which is in need of some patching and repairing. Behind Amity school, where the bus stops, there are crumbled curbs and potholes. Mr. Casto looked at it over the summer and noted that there is a problem in this area where water pulls. It can be patched now but repairs may not hold up. This is something we are looking at getting Community Development Block Grant in 2016.

OKI

Mr. Tassell reported that the STI application for road funding is being prepared. There are several modifications and they are all good for our city. They look at whether or not the community to benefit is near investment and new employees. For example: Jewish Hospital. They also look at communities that have pedestrians and bicycles.

Report of Special Committees / Boards

Park Board – Mr. Perin reported that the final numbers from the festival are not yet complete as bills are still being paid. It is estimated that it will be close to last year however a bit lower. The Cars in the Park event will take place this Saturday September 19 in the parking lot near the community center at Chamberlin Park from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far - None

Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous - None

New Business – None

Reports from other City Officials

Treasurer – None

Law Director – None

Auditor – None

Safety Service Director – Mr. Berens reminded council that they may receive notification from Deer Park High School Principal Dr. Stace Orso inviting them to upcoming discussions.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Donnellon announced that, as of September 8, 2015, a wage increase to \$19.64 per hour is in effect for Service Department Employee Jason Osborne after completion of one year of service .

Mayor Donnellon reminded all that the Deer Park Homecoming Parade is scheduled for Thursday September 24 at 6:00 p.m. Council members walking should meet at 5:45 p.m. at St. John's church parking lot, where the parade route begins and will then proceed down Plainfield Road to Deer Park High School.

Adjournment

Mr. Perin motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Hedger. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Joseph W. Comer
President of Council

Joanie Perin-Seitz
Clerk of Council