

City of Deer Park
City Council Committee Meeting
Municipal Building
April 4, 2016

Mr. Berens opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests - None

Legislative and Finance Committee

March 2016 Income Tax Report

Mr. Berens reported that the March 2016 income tax report is in council mailboxes and will be presented for approval at the April 11 council meeting. The report shows that we are up \$300,000 because we received a check from a company in Texas that looks to be an error and is being corrected. In reality we are up \$60,000 per Mr. Applegate.

Ohio Liquor License Renewals

Mr. Berens announced that it is time for liquor license renewals. This comes up every year and Ohio gives us the ability to not recommend an establishment's renewal if we have had any problem with them although there has not been any report of any trouble.

Clean Fuels Ohio Grant Application

Mr. Berens announced that he placed agreement and resolution examples in mailboxes. Mr. Tassell and Alan Freeman have been working on getting this grant and are looking for other communities to get involved for alternate fuel sources. Legislation needs to be passed next week so that we can submit a grant application to the Local Government Innovation Fund for an alternative fuel fleet vehicle study. This is drafted as an emergency resolution in order to meet certain application deadlines.

Zoning Code Update Discussion

Ms. Newsom announced that she originally suggested that we add wording to our adult themed business ordinance to include places where people come to expressly meet others for the purpose of sexual encounters however would like to wait to see the outcome from the West Chester lawsuit so we can tweak our ordinance properly.

Ms. Newsom also mentioned that she would like to discuss the business across the street which intends to have some sort of Farmer's Market as the growing season begins wondering if we should get involved to encourage but also look into regulation of such and who coordinates such regulation if other local businesses get involved that serve food, etc. that might need permits to serve food and added that it seems like it would be better to look into it now before it gets going rather than later to help make sure it gets off on the right foot.

Safety Committee

March 2016 Deer Park-Silverton Joint Fire District Monthly Report

Mr. Berens stated that the March 2016 fire district monthly report is in council mailboxes and will be given at next week's City Council meeting on April 11. The fire board meeting is scheduled for April 19.

March 2016 Deer Park Police Department Monthly Report

Mr. Berens stated that the March 2016 police department monthly report is not ready however it will be given at next week's City Council meeting on April 11.

Coffee with a Cop April 9 at Cream of Caffeine

The second "Coffee with a Cop" is being held on Saturday April 9 at The Cream of Caffeine at 10 am.

Public Works Committee

Barry Larkin Championship HOF Trail

Mr. Berens announced that a gentleman named Dane Bryant is still in the process of putting together a bike trail honoring Barry Larkin. The bike trail would span 10 – 11 miles and would go from the Losantiville Country Club to Kennedy Heights Park to Silverton to Deer Park to Sycamore Township to Blue Ash's Crosley field on Grooms Road spanning over 10 parks along the way. Mr. Bryant will either attend the April 11 or April 25 city council meeting to talk more about this pending project. Mr. Tolliver stated that getting rid of the train tracks and putting a bike path in might be a good idea.

Infrastructure Committee

Mr. Lehane stated that both town hall meetings regarding street improvements went well and good information was distributed to residents. Attendance included about 35 people the first week and 25 – 30 people the second week. The committee explained how skip grants work. Mr. Tolliver reported that positive feedback was received with 80% of people stating they would vote for a 2 mill permanent levy, 10% stating they would prefer a 1 mill levy and 10% stating no to an increase due to not being able to afford it. The committee will meet one more time before decisions will be made including placing this on the ballot during the general election in November.

Schedule

City Council Meeting, Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00pm

Park Board Meeting, Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 7:00pm

City Council Meeting, Monday, April 25, 2016 at 7:00pm

Announcements

Mr. Berens announced that Mayor Donnellon will need to appoint Mr. Lenihan as the new JEDZ Board Representative as he will fill the unexpired term for Ms. Newsom, who is stepping down.

Mr. Lenihan inquired about the tennis court project. Mr. Berens stated that there is a meeting on Friday, April 8 with the contractor. A third tennis court will be added as well.

Mr. Lehane asked about Clifford Road and the catch basin. Mr. Berens stated that the city is fixing it.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Christine Hedger
President of Council

Joan Perin
Clerk of Council