

**CITY OF MASON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 14, 2000**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McCurley at 7:10 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members of Council were present: Jim Fox, Dick Staten, Tom Muennich, Peter Beck, Charlene Pelfrey, and John McCurley. Mayor McCurley stated Betty Davis would be joining the meeting latter.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2000 meeting was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Beck. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**RECOGNITION OF WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Mayor McCurley recognized Larry Crisenberry and Pat South, County Commissioners running for re-election. Both stated they are running for their third term. They addressed some of their accomplishments while in office and thanked Mason for always providing a good, professional working relationship.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

None

**RESOLUTION 2000-2 SUPPORTING THE MASON CITY SCHOOLS MARCH 7, 2000  
ISSUE**

The Resolution was read in its entirety by Law Director, Ken Schneider. A motion to adopt this legislation was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Staten. VOTE: ALL YEAS

**ORDINANCE 99-207 - AMENDING PART II OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
REGARDING SUBDIVISION AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS.**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Staten seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Richard Fair stated the Home Builders Association had submitted a few changes that he agreed to implement. He stated most of the changes dealt with clarifying definitions.

A motion to amend the Ordinance to reflect the changes was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 99-207 as amended was made by Councilmember Staten, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2000-18 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING APPROVAL OF THE CONCEPT PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE RENNER FARM SUBDIVISION, NOW REFERRED TO AS MASON FIELDS SUBDIVISION**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Staten seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Mayor McCurley set the public hearing for this legislation for March 13, 2000 at approximately 7:05 p.m.

**ORDINANCE 2000-19 - AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CDS FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND REALIGNMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 800 FEET OF SNIDER ROAD SOUTH OF U.S. 42**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Staten seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Richard Fair stated this legislation is required to design a new traffic signal and realign Snider Road south of U.S. 42. CDS has been chosen as the best choice to do the work as they have done similar work in the city. The cost is not to exceed \$53,200. This cost includes a preliminary plat, final plat, construction plans, and dedication plats for new right-of-way.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox: VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-19 was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

**ORDINANCE 2000-20 – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TELEVAC ENVIRONMENTAL FOR SEWER PIPE TELEVISIONING AND LIGHT CLEANING SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

A motion to read by title only was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Muennich, VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Scot Lahrmer stated this legislation is necessary to investigate the sewer lines in the following subdivisions: Manhasset Village, Winding Creek, Wood Creek to the juncture with the main truck sewer at Tylersville Road and US 42. He further stated residents in these areas have experienced basement flooding. Due to the urgent nature of this evaluation, standard purchasing and bidding procedures are being waived. Tele-Vac Environmental has submitted a proposal to televise the sewer for \$2.25 per foot with a not to exceed cost of \$15,750 for the 7,000 linear feet of sewer.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-20 was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2000-21 - ACCEPTING ANNEXATION ON APPLICATION OF THE OWNERS OF CERTAIN PROPERTY CONTAINING 101.7063 ACRES LOCATED IN DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO (BATSCHKE )**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Beck. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Staten, seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-21 was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Staten. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2000-22 - ADVISING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS TO THE BENEFITS OF ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY INCLUDED IN THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION FILED BY CHARLES W. AND VIRGINIA F. ARAUJO TO THE CITY OF MASON**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Scot Lahrmer stated one of the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code is for the municipality to indicate the benefits it can provide for property petitioning to annex into the corporation limits. This legislation complies with that requirement.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-22 was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox: VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Betty Davis joined the proceedings at this time.

**ORDINANCE 2000-23 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH 32 FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2000 FORD F350 4X4 PICKUP TRUCK**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

Eric Hansen stated the next two ordinances deal with replacing vehicles in the Parks and Recreation Department that have served a useful life and now have become expensive to maintain. To be specific the vehicles are a pickup truck and a dump truck. Eric further explained it is now possible for the City to utilize the State Purchasing Contract to acquire the needed new vehicles. The cost for the pickup truck is \$27,438 and the cost for the dump truck is \$41,081. Both items were included in the City's 2000 budget.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Davis. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-23 was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

**ORDINANCE 2000-24 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH 32 FORD MERCURY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2000 FORD F450 4X4 DUMP TRUCK**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Councilmember Muennich. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Davis. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2000-24 was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

**ORDINANCE 2000-25 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CENTURY EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TORO GROUNDMASTER 325D 4WD LAWNMOWER**

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Staten. VOTE: ALL YEAS

Vice Mayor Fox stated as the City parks grow so does the area requiring mowing. With the additional park land, it is necessary to add another mower so the Parks and Recreation Department can continue to provide quality service in all of the parks. The mower is available through the State purchasing schedule. The cost is \$19,138. This item was included in the 2000 budget. The Finance and Equipment Committee have reviewed the proposal and recommend approval.

A motion to suspend the rule was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Muennich: VOTE: ALL YEAS

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Presidents' Day is February 21 and offices will be closed.

A dinner is being sponsored by the Mason's Senior Citizens Pep club to recognize the Lady Comets Basketball Team. The dinner will be held on March 22, 2000. The cost is \$20. Reservations must be made by March 1, 2000.

The Mason City Schools and Mason City Council are holding a joint public information meeting on February 29, 2000. It will be held at the Mason High School Commons at 7:00 p.m.

Warren County United Way is in the process of performing a needs assessment study and has requested donations to help fund the \$43,000 cost. They have asked Mason to donate \$2,000 toward this study. A motion to donate \$2,000 to the Warren County United Way for the purpose of conducting a needs assessment study was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Davis. VOTE: ALL YEAS

### **COUNCIL OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

It was suggested the City look into hiring a part-time position to assist the City in ensuring the Landscape Ordinance is being enforced. The possibility of hiring a college student pursuing horticulture/arborist for summer employment was mentioned as an option. It was suggested ads be run locally in time for the upcoming summer break.

It was requested the Safety Committee look at installing a traffic signal at Donna Jean and US 42. A traffic count can be done at that location.

On February 21, 2000 at 4:00 p.m., Peter Beck will hold a meet the Councilmember night at Mason Christian Village. The upcoming bond issue will be discussed. All of Council is encouraged to attend.

The status of the backflow preventors was discussed. The Utility Committee has reviewed them but feels there is still additional information needed to reach a decision. The residents are being kept informed on this matter.

Fire hydrant flushing will take place from February 22 till the 25<sup>th</sup>.

The seventh Police Academy will begin March 2, 2000. Anyone interested should contact Chief Ferrell.

The City has received an application for a liquor license for Larosas Pizzeria located at 6674 Tri Way Drive. A motion to not require a hearing was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Councilmember Davis. VOTE: 6 YEAS, 1 NAY ( Pelfrey)

#### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

None

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION: LAND ACQUISITION AND LITIGATION**

A motion to adjourn into executive session was made by Councilmember Muennich, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to reconvene into regular session was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Muennich: VOTE: ALL YEAS.

#### **ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Staten, seconded by Councilmember Muennich.  
VOTE: ALL YEAS

TIME: 9:52 p.m.

  
Clerk of Council

  
Mayor