

**CITY OF MASON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 12, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Chaplain Rick Huff opened the meeting in prayer. All those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members of Council were present: Victor Kidd, Barbara Spaeth, Rich Cox, Charlene Pelfrey, Don Prince, and David Nichols.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the December 15, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth. VOTE: 5 YEAS, 1 ABSTAIN (Kidd).

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

▶ A motion to reappoint Councilmember Cox as City Representative to Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Governments Board of Directors was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

▶ The Bicentennial Opening Ceremony will take place on Monday, January 26 with a social hour beginning at 5:30 p.m. and Council meeting and ceremony to begin at 6:30 p.m. A motion to begin the January 26, 2015 Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. was made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

▶ The City will begin Christmas tree pick-up the first week in January with services ending on January 30. Residents should place their trees at curbside for pickup. Trees placed in bags at the curb will be removed.

▶ The City of Mason in partnership with the American Legion and Pillars of Honor, Inc. will host a Day of Honor & Unveiling of the Original Scale-Model of the National World War II Memorial. WWII Veterans can register to be included in the souvenir program book by writing to Pillars of Honor, Inc. at 770 Lee Street, Suite 103, Des Plaines, IL 60016 or by calling 847-954-0520 for more information.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Pelfrey stated that Opening Ceremony for the Bicentennial year will be on January 26<sup>th</sup> with a reception at 5:30, followed by activities and recognition of special guests beginning at 6:30. She said that this is the first event of the Bicentennial and invited the City's most special guests, the residents, to attend. She said that a calendar of events has been mailed to residents, Bicentennial information can be found on the City website, and that the Bicentennial Committee has formed a media committee.

Councilmember Spaeth reported that Parks and Recreation Board held elections at the January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ginny Sundin was elected Chair for the 38<sup>th</sup> year and Mike Mumma was elected Vice Chair. Parks Volunteer Chris Martin was recognized at the meeting. Councilmember Spaeth stated that 3200 households are registered members of the Community Center. She discussed Community Center activities and programs, including Mason Youth Basketball, Master Swim Meet, Snow Days Camp, and fitness programs. Request forms to use field space will be on the City website. She said that the *Sheri Collins Memorial Run, Roll, and Sun 5K* will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> with proceeds to benefit Common Ground Playground.

### **RECOGNITION OF MASON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY TEAM**

Mayor Nichols congratulated the team on winning their second OHSAA Division I Cross Country State Championship and introduced Coach Tom Rapp. Coach Rapp stated that Mason has great places to run which directly contribute to the Cross Country Team's success. He stated that the team has 118 runners and introduced six of those athletes.

### **PRESENTATION TO THE MASON COMMUNITY BAND AND CITY OF MASON BY MIKE WYLD, COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 194, MASON; JOHN LOOKER, PAST COMMANDER; AND GEORGE LUDE, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

George Lude presented the American Legion Certificate of Appreciation to Mason Community Band representatives, Bill Thompson and Matt Goodrich, in appreciation for contributions to the advancement of American Legion programs dedicated to God and Country.

George Lude presented the American Legion Certificate of Appreciation to the City of Mason for outstanding service in advancing American Legion programs dedicated to God and Country. Mayor Nichols accepted the Certificate on behalf of the City of Mason.

### **PRESENTATION ON PILLARS OF HONOR BY JOHN LOOKER, PAST COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 194, MASON**

John Looker stated that an actual replica of the National World War II Memorial will be unveiled on Saturday, February 21 at 1:00 p.m. at the Mason Community Center. This four hour event is designed to honor veterans and their families. Mr. Looker stated that Veterans of World War II will be recognized and asked them to please contact The Pillars of Honor. The scale-model of the memorial in Washington D.C. will be traveling to Mason from Illinois and will then be returned to the National Archives.

### **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

Karen Arnett of the Mt. Healthy Urban Tree Commission suggested alternatives for coexistence with beavers that have been successful in other communities. Ms. Arnett provided a list of resources.

Tom Walker of 209 Dawson Street expressed his desire for the City to leave the beaver. He believes that beavers are part of nature and enhance the park.

Jeff McIntire of Lebanon, Ohio and Safari Club International stated that his organization can provide services to help manage the beaver.

Bob Reiff of 570 Apache Lane believes that the beaver will enhance nature and other wildlife in the park.

**RESOLUTION 2015-1 REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO MAKE TAX ADVANCES DURING THE YEAR 2015 PURSUANT TO SECTION 321.34 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE**

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

Jennifer Heft stated that when taxes are collected by the County, the County Auditor has several months after the due date to distribute the funds owed to local governments. During this delay, the County will earn interest from funds owed to local governments. State law allows local governments to request payments of the taxes prior to the required settlement. In many cases, it helps improve the cash flow for the local government and allows the local government to earn additional interest from these funds.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2015-1 was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**RESOLUTION 2015-2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR THE MODIFICATION OF ZIP CODE BOUNDARIES**

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

Jennifer Heft stated that this request is for realignment of the 45040 zip code to City boundaries. Since 2000 the City has made unsuccessful attempts to realign the Mason 45040 zip code to coincide with municipal boundaries. The most recent effort was in 2008, at the request of residents living in the Avalon Subdivision. Jennifer explained that currently the City is mainly served by the Mason post office (45040), while portions of the community are served by the Lebanon post office to the north (45036), and the Maineville post office (45039) to the southeast. This causes confusion for visitors, deliveries, and service providers. She stated that at the request of a business partner and residents in the past, the City is again pursuing this issue and

has hired a consultant to evaluate procedures used by other jurisdictions that were successful in implementing this change. The consultant will evaluate Mason's best approach and potential alternatives in this matter.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2015-2 was made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2014-122 SECOND READING: APPROVAL OF A REVISED FINAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 7450 MASON-MONTGOMERY ROAD (PREMIER HEALTH ATRIUM MEDICAL CENTER)**

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

Kurt Seiler stated that Premier Health purchased the former Mercy Health facility located at 7450 Mason-Montgomery Road and is renovating the building into a modern medical center and office suites. A major revision to the PUD is the proposal to reconfigure the existing parking lot to accommodate a helipad in the southeast corner of the property. Direct access will be provided between the proposed helipad and the emergency vestibule that is being constructed on the south side of the building. Kurt explained the plan to move some existing parking spaces to a new area under construction. He stated that information submitted by the applicant states that the helipad will be used for transporting patients out of the facility when there is a need for them to receive higher-level care, the helipad will typically be used when the facility's Mobile Intensive Care Unit (MICU) is out on a run, and that the helipad is not proposed to bring patients into the facility. Kurt explained that the property was originally approved as a medical facility in 1997 and the site plan was approved by Planning Commission. At that time, the helipad was shown on the plan, but was never implemented. Kurt stated that Planning Commission recommended approval of the revision to the Planned Unit Development Plan subject to the property owner entering a memorandum of understanding (MOU) describing the operation of the helipad. He stated that although a MOU has not been submitted at this time, the applicant listed items that would be included in the memorandum. Helicopter flight path, road closures not required, patients not to be transported in by helicopter, estimated number of helicopter departures, and offsite helicopter maintenance are items on this list.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:47 p.m.

Carol Turner of Premier Health and CEO of Atrium Medical Center described the Mason facility as a 13-bed emergency unit with ancillary services and physician offices. She explained Premier Health's commitment to the community and how the helipad provides the highest level of care.

Dr. Darin Pangalangan, M.D., Miami Valley Hospital Chair of the Premier Health Emergency and Trauma Institute, explained the evaluation process for emergency care facility equipment and procedures. He explained circumstances a patient may present to the Mason facility which

would require emergency transport by helicopter to another trauma center. Time matters in these critical situations when a patient is in need of a higher level of care and there is risk to the patient, medical staff, and community when a helipad is not available.

Candy Skidmore, Vice President for the Emergency and Trauma service line for Premier Health and CareFlight Air and Mobile services described helicopter operations. She said that CareFlight operates four helicopters within a 150 mile radius from Dayton, with one helicopter based out of the Warren County Airport. Ms. Skidmore stated that an emergency facility with three times more volume than expected at the Mason facility had seven flights in 2014. She explained the capabilities of Air Bus 365N3 Dauphin helicopters and flight staff procedures. All aircraft operations are regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), including flight path, altitude, and obstructions. She addressed concerns and stated that helipad lights would operate only during helicopter approach, take-off and landing noise levels of between 93 to 96 decibels could be expected with levels diminishing with distance, and flight paths would not require roads to be shut down. The FAA has reviewed all plans and did not provide feedback on any issues. She stated that residents in Centerville expressed concerns similar to those expressed by Mason residents prior to opening of the Centerville Medical Center. With seven calls for helicopter services to this facility in 2014, there have been no complaints.

Tom Curtin of 5222 Wandering Way described a vehicle accident involving his son where a motorcycle driver involved was airlifted from the site and survived. He expressed appreciation for emergency services that provide the best chance for a positive outcome.

Jonathan Sams, attorney representing Mason Manor House at 7440 Mason-Montgomery Road, explained reasons for opposition to the installation of a helipad at the proposed location. The first reason is the negative impact it would have on the business of Mason Manor House. The second reason is that it would create hazards to the safety of Mason Manor House guests and the surrounding community. Mr. Sams stated that Mason Manor House serves 100,000 guests annually that access the facility via the driveway and parking lot immediately adjacent to the helipad. He explained how the presence of the helipad would discourage potential customers from choosing Mason Manor House for their events. Events with temporary outdoor structures, serving tables, displays, and live animals would be impacted by high air flow from helicopter rotor wash. The Manor House reputation would be tarnished forever if a helicopter ever disrupts an event. Mr. Sams discussed safety and stated that with rotor wash between 75-100 mph, the FAA warns about helipad placement near pedestrians, large trees, and landscaping. The removal of large trees has already commenced. He suggested that placing a helipad in this location is trying to do too much on a small lot, which makes it dangerous to bring a helicopter into this small and crowded area. He proposed that ground transport for use of the helipad at West Chester Hospital be considered.

Dawn Greenwald of 7765 Yellowwood Drive stated that during her experience at UC Hospital, high noise levels while a helicopter landed disrupted work. She also expressed her surprise that an emergency center would not be attached to a hospital.

David Meyer of 7821 Clearwater Court expressed concerns regarding the proximity of the helipad to his neighborhood and safety record of Air Methods Corporation. He stated that

CareFlight is owned and operated by Air Methods and listed several crash incidents with Air Methods' helicopters.

Alexandra Starcher of 7527 Somerset Drive asked about the quality of care, helicopter readiness, and why a helipad is needed. She expressed many reasons why she believes that a helipad is unnecessary and dangerous.

Michael Myers of 4809 Mallard Creek Drive and Vice President of Mallard Creek Condominium Association stated most of their homes are within 500-1200 feet of the proposed helipad. He provided a petition signed by 75% of the property owners opposed to the helipad. Reasons for their opposition include noise, down drafts, disruption to landscaping and pedestrians.

Martin Carney of Louisville, Kentucky and property owner directly to the south of the proposed helipad expressed his appreciation for the modification in flight path from the preliminary proposal. He voiced his concerns regarding any effects or limitations the helipad would have on future uses for his property.

Marcia Epstein of 7914 Yellowwood Drive expressed her safety concerns regarding children walking and riding bicycles along Mason-Montgomery Road while a helicopter is in the area. She raised the possibility of distracted drivers running off the road and injuring a child.

Candy Skidmore of Premier Health responded to questions raised. She said the helicopters have a 40-foot rotor diameter. CareFlight is not owned by Air Methods. CareFlight has been in operation since 1983 and has not had an accident or incident since that time. CareFlight has received National and State safety awards. Regarding the noise ordinance, Ms. Skidmore stated that the helicopter program is licensed as emergency medical service which has exemption to noise ordinances. Regarding response time, all teams are on call and physically present with the helicopter. Lift-off time is 5 minutes with a flight time of 3 minutes from the Warren County Airport to this location. She explained that the Federal Aviation Administration reviews every potential obstacle in the area such as wires, towers, buildings, etc. and will not approve a helipad that does not have a safe approach or departure.

Dr. Darin Pangalangan, M.D., described the different levels of patient care available at area hospitals and provided examples of when a patient may require transport to another facility. He explained that freestanding emergency departments have evolved over the last eight years across the country as a way to provide an access point for communities to get the patient seen as soon as possible. He stated that although there are sites 10-20 minutes away, in emergency medicine one to two minutes does make a difference. Dr. Pangalangan explained that patient preference determines where a patient is sent in order to provide continuity of care. The emergency physician onsite has the responsibility to choose the most appropriate type of transportation for a patient and if a helicopter is required, it will land at an ad hoc site.

David Meyer stated that the Premier Health website states that Air Methods Corporation operates and maintains CareFlight helicopters.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:51 p.m.

Vice Mayor Kidd asked Jonathan Sams to respond to the possibility that if summoned, a helicopter can land at this site without a helipad in place. Mr. Sams replied that he believes without a designated helipad, the number of flights will be reduced. Mason Manor House is still in opposition to a helipad at this location and stated that by choosing this property, Premier Health made a poor business decision. Vice Mayor Kidd stated that he is inclined to vote against this major revision based on the population density, the feeling of the community, and the negative impact it would have on business at Mason Manor House.

Councilmember Spaeth had questions regarding safety. She wanted to know why roads do not need to be closed. Al Burbish, the Program Aviation Manager for Air Methods, stated that a helicopter approaching this location would be flying approximately 300-400 feet above Mason's main thoroughfare at 1000 feet out. He explained that the helicopter makes steep approaches in order to minimize disruption to surrounding neighbors and that roads do not need to be closed. When considering risk management, he expressed his desire to land at approved helipads. Dr. Pangalangan clarified that the attending physician has the authority to determine when a patient needs to be transported by helicopter, whether there is a helipad at the site or not. Jeff Forbes read FAA regulations regarding helicopter landing sites and encouraged Councilmembers to consider this as a modification to the proposed site plan not based on whether you are permitting helicopters to land.

Councilmember Prince had questions regarding current and future uses of the medical facility. Carol Turner of Premier Health stated that currently there are physical therapy and physician offices open and that a 13-bed emergency room is expected to open this spring operating 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. Councilmember Prince expressed his concerns regarding distracted drivers and traffic along Mason-Montgomery Road. He stated that he feels that this location is a shoe-horn fit with hi-tension wires, obstacles in the area, objections from an adjacent business, and the helipad too close to the property line. Candy Skidmore of Premier Health explained that when meeting with the FAA in December, plans for the development to the south were reviewed. The FAA did not find issue with the plans and Premier Health issued a written statement to the property owners that use of the helipad would not impact their plans for the property.

Councilmember Pelfrey expressed confidence in the quality of care Premier Health provides based on personal experiences and believes that in an emergency, minutes *do* matter. She stated that a helicopter landing at the proposed location for the helipad is too close and believes that there are better options.

Councilmember Cox stated that locating an emergency department in this location doesn't make sense and that he believes it is a business decision based on the principle of making money.

Mayor Nichols explained that he enjoys working together with our Corporate Partners but voted against this at Planning Commission because he believes it is the wrong fit for this area. He feels that that there are other alternatives.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-122 was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Cox. VOTE: ALL NAYS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-1 FIRST READING: AMENDING THE ZONING CODE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF MASON OHIO TO PROVIDE FOR THE REZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 34.3 ACRES FROM O-1 OFFICE PARK TO R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (A PORTION OF THE FORMER CROOKED TREE GOLF COURSE, NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF SENTINEL OAK DRIVE AND BENTLEY OAK DRIVE)**

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

Jennifer Heft announced that a second reading and Public Hearing regarding Ordinance 2015-1 will be held on February 9, 2015.

**ORDINANCE 2015-2 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PRE-ANNEXATION AGREEMENT WITH PAUL AND AMANDA BARRY**

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

Kurt Seiler explained that this pre-annexation agreement has been submitted by Paul and Amanda Barry who are considering the purchase of a vacant 2.21-acre lot located across from Grand Oaks Court at 7907 Butler-Warren Road in West Chester Township, Butler County. The property owners are requesting to tap into the City of Mason's sewer system, located across Butler-Warren Road, for a home they are looking to build on the lot. Kurt stated that a pre-annexation agreement allows them access to the sewer and/or water system, but requires them to pay 150% of standard rates until such time as the property is annexed. The agreement does not mean that the property is annexed or part of the city.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

Councilmember Prince inquired about a non-annexation agreement in this area. Kurt Seiler stated that there is an agreement with Liberty Township pertaining to the JEDD, this property is in West Chester Township and not included in the JEDD.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-2 was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-3 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE WITH WARREN COUNTY AGENCIES**

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



Jennifer Heft stated that the City has a number of mutual aid agreements with surrounding jurisdictions related to safety and public works services. Warren County Prosecutor, David Fornshell, is requesting a revision to the current agreement between law enforcement agencies in Warren County, last updated in 2009. She explained that the most significant change is the addition of language that allows the County to receive reimbursements from FEMA during emergency situations.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Prince, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-3 was made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-4 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BYERS CHEVROLET FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2015 CHEVY TAHOE POLICE INTERCEPTOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,018**

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

Jennifer Heft discussed Ordinance 2015-4, Ordinance 2015-5, Ordinance 2015-6, Ordinance 2015-7, and Ordinance 2015-8 together. She explained that vehicles to be purchased provide the backbone to service delivery for the City which includes police and fire services, snow/ice removal, brush and leaf programs, and maintenance of signs, catch basins, and right-of-way. Over the last several years the City has deferred replacement of City vehicles as a temporary cost cutting measure and developed a strategy to not schedule individual vehicles for replacement, but to rely on contingency amounts to more closely align vehicle failure with replacement. She stated that staff recommends the purchase of fourteen vehicles. Jennifer stated that there may appear to be a significant increase this year because purchases in 2014 of Police and Fire vehicles were delayed as staff evaluated vehicle options for these departments. The Ford Crown Victoria which has made up the majority of the police fleet for many years is no longer being produced. In 2013, two Ford AWD SUV's and two Chevy 2WD Tahoes were purchased and placed into service in the spring of 2014. Staff recommends purchase of the Ford Interceptor Utility for its fuel efficiency, high test ranking in handling, acceleration, and stopping distance, and 4WD is standard equipment on this vehicle. She stated that the initial cost to purchase the Ford Interceptor is approximately \$3000 less than 2WD and \$6000 less than a 4WD Tahoe with similar options. She stated that purchase of eight police vehicles are proposed in 2015, with four police cruisers deployed into service as soon as they become available. Later this year the four additional vehicles would be ordered. Jennifer discussed vehicle purchases for the Fire Department and stated that staff recommends the Chevrolet Tahoe for replacement of the Battalion 51 vehicle due to its larger size and ability to accommodate the necessary equipment. The Ford Interceptor is being recommended for the Paramedic/EMS vehicle, which doesn't need the additional capacity for equipment. The Safety and Finance Committees have reviewed these vehicle replacements and recommends Ordinance 2015-4 and Ordinance 2015-5 for adoption. Jennifer stated that the 2015 Budget includes \$400,000 for police vehicles that should have been purchased in 2014 along with the vehicles proposed for purchase in 2015 and all changeover

costs. The 2015 Budget includes \$80,000 for purchase of the proposed fire vehicles. Jennifer explained that the purchase of the final four maintenance and service vehicles was delayed due to delays in the State Purchasing Program. She described the condition of the vehicles to be replaced. She said that Truck #21 is a 2001 model year dump truck with over \$21,000 in repair costs to date. This truck is currently using 4 quarts of oil per week and needs an engine overhaul/replacement. Truck #22 is a 2002 model year dump truck with over \$23,000 in repairs. This truck is in need of a new wiring harness, the dump bed is rusted out and needs replaced, and the truck frame is showing corrosion damage. One wide deck mower – Mower #9016 is used to mow both Heritage Oak Park and the Sports Park. This mower is a 2002 model and has over \$13,500 in repairs. One backhoe, a 1996 model year Case backhoe is used for the sidewalk program, storm sewer maintenance and repair, and parks maintenance. It has over \$12,000 in repairs and the cab has rusted beyond repair, the hood and boom pins need replaced. Jennifer stated that the Equipment and Finance Committees reviewed this request as part of the 2015 Budget process. The 2015 Budget includes a vehicle contingency fund of \$600,000 plus a carryover contingency balance of \$493,141 for the purchase of these replacement vehicles. She stated that the State has not yet accepted pricing on pickup trucks, vans, and tractors. Staff expects to provide additional legislation for vehicle replacements later this year as more of the State Bid proposals are accepted.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-4 was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-5 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LEBANON FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF NINE (9) 2015 FORD UTILITY POLICE INTERCEPTOR VEHICLES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235,414**

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

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-5 was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-6 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KINSTLE STERLING/WESTERN STAR TRUCK CENTER FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE(1) 2015 WESTERN STAR 4700 SINGLE AXLE DUMP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,750 AND ONE (1) 2015 WESTERN STAR 4700 TANDEM AXLE DUMP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$163,864**

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

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-6 was made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-7 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CENTURY EQUIPMENT CO. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) GROUNDSMASTER 4000-D MOWER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,541**

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

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Cox. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-7 was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE 2015-8 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHEASTERN EQUIPMENT CO. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) CASE 580SN BACKHOE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$77,227 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

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

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Cox, seconded by Vice Mayor Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-8 was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Vice Mayor Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

**OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

Councilmember Pelfrey discussed the addition of flag poles in the downtown plaza and stated that Veterans organizations have offered to provide the flags and poles with the City providing lights and installation.

Councilmember Cox asked about the band for the Bicentennial concert in September. Jennifer Heft stated that the City is currently considering a replacement for *Foreigner*. The band will be touring in Europe and is unable to perform in Mason. Staff is working to determine if *REO Speedwagon* is available.

Mayor Nichols stated that Council will be scheduling interviews to fill the vacancy on Council.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

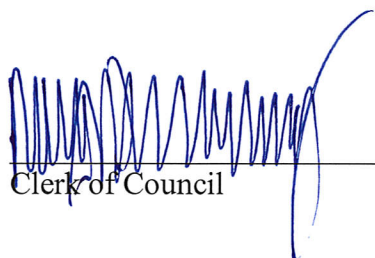
**EXECUTIVE SESSION: LAND ACQUISITION**

A motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing land acquisition was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Prince. VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 9:47 p.m.

A motion to reconvene into Regular Session was made by Vice Mayor Kidd, seconded by Councilmember Cox. VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 10:03 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Councilmember Cox. VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 10:03 p.m.

  
Clerk of Council

  
Mayor