
Ashland City Council

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL March 6, 2007

Council President Glen Stewart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ward 1:	Robert L. Valentine	Present
Ward 2:	Robert M. Valentine	Present
Ward 3:	Ruth Detrow	Present
Ward 4:	Paul Wertz	Present
At-large:	Glen Stewart	Present

Note: Throughout the minutes, Robert L. Valentine and Robert M. Valentine are designated as to their ward representation, W1 and W2.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

February 15, 2007 *Work session*

Moved by Valentine 2 and seconded by Valentine W1 to accept the minutes as received.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

February 20, 2007 *Regular session*

Moved by Paul Wertz, and seconded by Valentine 1 to accept minutes as received.

Ayes: *Valentine W2, Valentine W1, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart*

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: *None*

LEGISLATION

Ord. 14-07

Item (a) AN ORDINANCE AMMENDING SECTION 221.05 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OHIO, RELATIVE TO THE ALLOCATION OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX FUNDS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Moved by Wertz and seconded by Ruth Detrow W3 to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Comments:

Anna Tomasek: This Ordinance allocates the Income Tax to the following funds for it remains unchanged as last year. 78% will go to the General Fund, 11.5% will go to the Street fund and 10.5% will go to the Park Fund. Unchanged from last year.

Valentine W1: Just 1 question, on the line below that; anything collected over the 7.55, so will it go to the General fund. So if it is less than that, what would it be? We would then follow the actual percentages 78% would go to the General fund, 7.53% and 10.5%. We do that every year. It stays the same.

Moved by Stewart and seconded by Valentine W2 that the Ordinance be passed on the first reading.

Ayes: Detrow, Wertz, Stewart, Valentine 1, Valentine 2.

Moved by Wertz and seconded by Detrow that the rules requiring the reading on three separate days be suspended and that the Ordinance be passed on the second and third readings.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Moved by Wertz and seconded by Valentine W2 that the Ordinance be passed.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Motion carried.

Item (b) AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007.

COMMENTS:

a)In the Fire Department last year they had a lay off of 4 people.

b)On the Ohio Region of Housing 232, otherwise through the City we give \$20,000.00 dollars for Habitat and the rest is (CHIP) program; consists of 3 distinct programs: 1)Home repair for emergency home repairs (roofs and furnaces).

2)Home Owner Rehab where \$35,000.00 dollars will actually do major rehab with the program.

3)Down payment assistance program where approximately \$3,000.00 to 5,000.00 dollars is used to help with someone of that qualification for a down payment of a house and then it will also rehab part of that house. Federal Grant of \$500,000.00 dollars that comes from HUD which is broken down from CDBG funds and Home funds.

Public Transit: Due to the Formula Allocations from FTA it is a 2 year grant cycle and basically our grant has been approximately around 130 to 150 depending on how much actual expenditures have been but the Federal Grant is going to be \$196,000.00 for this year and next year. City subsidy from the General fund is reduced.

Sidewalk Program: \$125,000.00; is it going to be enough. We can come back to Council and appropriate more if have to borrow more money once we get the firm estimate from Engineering. It was just put into plan that we are going to borrow \$100,000.00 dollars to get the program started this year. Once we get the actual fig-

ures, we don't know how many people really need sidewalks, obviously some residents are taking care of the sidewalks on their own vs. some having installments on their property taxes. This is not 125,000.00 dollars to put sidewalks in without repayment. This is borrowed money that will have to be repaid by the property owner. That is at 5.25%, depending on the market and a 2% county auditor fee (also to be installed) in the assessment process.

The General Fund should be 10 million 957 thousand, 815 dollars.

The few questions here are like a grain of sand on the beach, we have asked literally hundreds of questions and when you look at this book, you don't get your questions answered in 5 minutes. And I can say without question that as far as I think we are concerned with various department heads, the Finance Director and the Mayor on several occasions either confronted them on the phone, asking questions and we have had this since the middle of January, so this book isn't new to us. This book is pretty darn well known and what I really use a lot of is the comparison sheets on the re-cap sheet that I have and we all have and it drives us to the areas that we want to discuss and review.

Anna: This appropriation began with cooperation of the Mayor and the Division Directors. A lot of labor went in from the Finance office. Recognition should be given to Larry Rose, Nikki Skafec and Lee Yarman for working on these documents.

Glen Stewart, Move to except this in the first reading, Valentine 1 so moved, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Paul Wertz, Stewart, Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow. Moved by Valentine 2 and seconded by Valentine W1 to accept the minutes as received.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

If there is not a motion to suspend the rules this evening, we will move forward. If there is a desire to suspend the rules in 3 separate readings, so be it, if not we will move on.

We will bring this up again at our next regular meeting and then I will assign a number to that Ordinance.

Ord. 15-07

Item: (c) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ASHLAND COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC. FOR FY 2007 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CHIP) WITH THE STATE OF OHIO TO CONSTRUCT AT LEAST TWO (2) SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN THE CITY OF ASHLAND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move for non-reading in full by Paul Wertz, seconded by Detrow to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Comments:

Anna Tomasek: This is an authorization of allowing Habitat to take 20,000.00 dollars of CHIP money to build 2 single-family dwellings of what they passed cycled from 2005 and 2007, the city authorized Habitat for \$50,000.00 dollars to build 2 homes. They are going to be applying for only \$20,000.00 through this Grant cycle and they have until 2009 to build these houses. This is not city money, this is Ashland Grant money, in addition to our \$500,000.00 that we received from the Federal Government.

Move that the ordinance be passed on the first reading by Paul Wertz, seconded by Stewart.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1, to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart, Valentine 1.

Motion for Ordinance to be passed by Valentine 1, seconded by Valentine.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Item (d) FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

Comments: Anna Tomasek: As Fiscal officer of the City of Ashland, I here certify in connection with proposed issue of AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$6,247,000.00 NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF (I)IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL PARK AND RECREATION SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING SOCCER FIELDS, (II)ACQUIRING AND EQUIPPING TWO FIRE ENGINES AND A RESCUE TRUCK, EACH TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND (III)IMPROVING 580,000.00 AND IMPROVING THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AN EQUALIZATION BASIN AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FOR \$5,550,000.00 DOLLARS.

Assessments for these for at least 5 years and maximum maturity of these bonds will be at least 20 years.

Move to be accepted by Paul Wertz, seconded by Stewart.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Ord. 16-07

Item (e) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$6,247,000.00 DOLLARS NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF (1)IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL PARK AND RECREATION SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING SOCCER FIELDS. (2)ACQUIRING AN EQUIPPING TWO FIRE ENGINES AND A RESCUE TRUCK EACH TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND (III) IMPROVING THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AN EQUILIZATION BASIN AT THE

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move for non-reading in full, by Paul Wertz, seconded by Detrow.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Comments:

Anna: This is a note issued, all of this debt has been, it is old debt, and we are required by law to pay off the municipal building which is \$ 65,000.00 dollars. This will be issued on May 24, 2004 and is estimated on the market that the interest rate will be at 5.25%.

Stewart: No new money in this. Again, so we don't have any confusion, these projects are all done. Everything has been done, this is a renewal of our resale of Notes in anticipation of selling bonds. Not new debt.

Do they vary in time? Is it 20 years usually. Yes 20 years for debt to be totally paid off. The soccer fields, then is that a 20 year program? Yes.

Motion to pass on the first reading by Stewart, Moved by Valentine 1, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart, Valentine 1

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Move the Ordinance to be passed by Valentine 1, seconded by Stewart to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Ord. 17-07

Item (f) AN ORDINANCE ENACTING THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OHIO STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (SWMP) IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY RULES AND REGULATIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move for non-reading in full, Paul Wertz, seconded by Detrow to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Comments:

Stewart asks who will be speaking to our Storm Water Management?

Larry Paxton: In the absence of my boss, Jim Cooper, Concerning this, it is a requirement of the Environmental Protection Agency, we enact this ordinance, in con-

junction with our storm water utility we enacted a few years ago with the population of the City of Ashland and we are complied to enact this. We developed it in cooperation with our consultant Burgess and Niple, an Engineering firm and its main purpose is to reduce pollutions with minimal acceptable levels in the city's waterways to develop and implement a program so that we can educate our community about those waterways in an effort to protect them. It does bring the city in compliance with the environmental protection agency phase II Stone Water program and it addresses 6 functions of our plan where we have to develop an educational program for our community. We have to allow the community to participate in that program to get feedback on how the plan is working. It also prohibits the elicit discharge of materials into the waterways, such things as wastewater escaping into our creeks, garbage, leaves, grass and lawn sweepings, it orders substances from being dumped into our waterways. In doing that we also have to address construction sites currently, they regulate any construction site that is over 10 acres and in the near future that will be reduced down to 1 acre in order to contain and restrict settlement in runoff to our waterways. It also addresses our post-construction areas as well. It will keep that green so dirt doesn't get washed into the waterways.

And last of all it requires the city to also give housekeeping to prevent pollution of infrastructure facilities. Such as oil leaking out of trucks and cars. It is a requirement the Environmental Protection Agency for us to complete this process.

There is a lot of work to go into this project. A Consultant was employed to assist us in this process. We have about 180 days from a letter we received until November 1 to complete this process and submit this plan as well as an application to the Environmental Protection Agency. We need a copy of the Ordinance signed so that we can forward it back to our consultants to be included in our plan then submit to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Move to pass on the first reading by Stewart, Moved by Valentine 1, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Detrow, Wertz, Stewart, Valentine 1, Valentine 2.

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights, by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Move the Ordinance to be passed, by Paul Wertz, seconded by Stewart.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Ord. 18-07

Item (g) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE CLEANING AND DISPOSAL OF LIME SOLIDS FROM THE WATER TREATMENT DIVISION OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Moved by Wertz and seconded by Detrow to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine W1, Valentine W2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Comments:

Bruce Wiser: This ordinance is supposed to allow us to have this cleaning on our Lime lagoons at the Water treatment division. I think the last time we did this was in 2004, we did a pretty major cleaning at that point. At that time we determined from then on start doing what we call a maintenance cleaning. We are a little bit behind because of the construction of the treatment plant. We will start this Spring. The Lime goes on farmland and is agricultural and generally we try to do this in the spring. Before 2004, it had probably been 10 years since the previous cleaning. Estimated cost \$100,000.00 dollars and in the next section it states, this contract should be for two years with potential for 3 additional years, 1 year periods. It is \$100,000.00 for each year. \$350,000.00 for ten years. A pretty good price.

Motion to passed on the first reading by Stewart, seconded by Detrow.
Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Stewart, Wertz.

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights by Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1, to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Move the Ordinance to be passed by Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.
Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

RES. 2-07

Item: (h) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND TO FILE AN APPLICATION AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, OHIO DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING FUNDS FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move for non-reading in full, by Paul Wertz, seconded by Stewart.
Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Comments:

Anna: This is the Resolution by the City to make application with American Cancer Society and the Ashland County Cancer Association. A total open cases in Ashland County for Cancer patients is 412; this Grant will pay for reimbursement for mileage of transportation of Cancer patients and there are there are huge costs of transportation and it only allows transportation of the cancer patients to and from the Doctor Facilities only. This past year from December until January of this year, they had 37 trips to Columbus, 27 to Cleveland, 51 to Mansfield, 98 to Wooster and had 2 in rural Ashland. So there is definitely a need and this Grant will be for \$4000.00 and there is a 50% match and the match would come from our Transit Fund, not from City funds. These are normal funds that we would use for transporting Cancer patients but we can do this at a more cost effective means with the Grant. It is 50/50.

Move for the Resolution to be passed on the first reading by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights by Paul Wertz, seconded by Detrow. to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 2, Valentine 1, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Res. 3-07

Item (i) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILING OF APPLICATION: PROJECT TITLE FY 2007 SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move for non-reading in full, by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Comments:

Finance Department and Engineering Department. This is an annual Grant application that Engineering and Finance work together. It is a Federal Grant, about \$100,000.00 dollars, normally 15% goes toward Public transit, a public service, \$1,500.00 dollars goes towards Fair Housing Program and the remaining amount of money is totally up to Council and the Mayor's discretion on what project fits the needs of the city and low to moderate income individuals according to the community assessment strategy and has to have 51% or higher to qualify. This is beginning process. A couple of areas we have to poll in conjunction with this application. The engineering department in cooperation with the finance department is working to develop some programs and some applications. This is only the beginning process. The applications are due July 15 of every year and public agencies can submit a letter to Jim Cooper. If they have any needs. We will look at those needs. We advertise this through our legal notices.

Robert Valentine 1: Do you have a public hearing where you have the agency, for those who want to apply for CDBG money? They can also just send a letter also and it has to be on Agency Letterhead. We allocate so much money that for instance she said, certain money was allocated for this and that so the total amount is not available. But certain amounts of it. Normally one project is done with CDBG. One year we updated some traffic lights, signals and road improvements for low to moderate-income areas. A new Furnace one year at the Senior Citizens. Arthur Street Bridge was CDBG projects. We have the Arts elevator, Kno-Ho-Co water line was another CDBG project. It can be a city need or an agency or combination of both.

Motion to pass Resolution on the first reading by Stewart, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate night to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of this Ordinance

has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Move the Ordinance be passed by Valentine 1, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart

Res. 4-07

Item (j) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY 2009-2010 SMALL CITY PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPDATING TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Move to non-reading in full by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Ruth Detrow, Paul Wertz, Glen Stewart.

Comments: This is an application with the cooperation of Ohio Department of Transportation in small cities. It addresses several heavily traveled corridor intersections with signal upgrades and safety features to protect pedestrians and motorists. The intersections that we are applying for is the Hillcrest Drive, Center Street intersection, Sloan, Lee and East Main Street intersection, Holbrook, Liberty and East Main Street, East Washington, Miller and East Main. West 3rd Street and Cottage Street and West Fourth Street and Cottage Street and 9th and Union intersections. This program will provide these intersections with new lights. Controllers as well as energy saving LAD lights and possibly some free standing poles. It is an 80/20 match, with money coming from the Federal Government Highway programs through the State of Ohio and able to offer 80% of the construction as well as 80% of the Engineering construction or inspection of that program. It is not scheduled to be completed until the year 2010, so we have a little time to work on this process. The final design will not take place until 2008-2009 in preparation for bidding by ODOT for this project. Each of the intersections will be scrutinized by ODOT and the city will have to pay for the Engineering of the program as well as the Environmental Reviews that have to be done and the testing for that. Other features of the intersections, they will also include pre-emptor systems for the Emergency vehicles, (Police and Fire). It will allow the lights that turn green as the Emergency Vehicles approach the intersection in an effort to clear out the lane so that the Emergency Vehicles can go through. Something new for us, they also include battery back-ups for about an 8 hour period of time so if we lose power, these intersections will continue to operate for a period of time. Even though the Grant says it is needing 20, by the time we have the construction and the design work too, it ends up being about a 30/70 split because the cost does go up because there is a portion that we have to pay. The City's share estimated at this point and these are hopefully worse case scenario because we are not building until 2 years from now. The City's share will be about \$231,000.00 dollars. Not a small venture, but overall scheme of things, if you take the 7 intersections that equals out to about \$33,000.00 dollars the city shared. It is less than what we paid last year for the upgrades of intersections at Washington and Walnut and Claremont, East Liberty were into the \$40,000.00 dollar range. Even though it is a good amount of money by applying for this Grant it does lower the overall cost of the intersections to us.

Stewart: Are the Signals on 250 prior to Wal Mart, are those State Signals or are they ours to maintain?

Larry Paxton: I believe those are State Signals. Those have cameras on them to sense the vehicles rather than having a sensor in the pavement.

Stewart: The Yellow paint is gone on those.
So if we move forward with this program, do we have any say in specifications or this is the package we get?

Larry Paxton: We have all kinds of say in specifications because we are actually employing the Engineering firm to design them. The problem is, it is a traditional bid program with the Department of Transportation, so they will be handling that, it is going to be a cooperative thing between the City and ODOT.

Valentine 1- Does Council give permission to the Engineering Department?

Larry Paxton: All you are doing this evening is giving Engineering permission to apply for the Grant. In June we will know if we are selected for this program. Once we get to that point, then we are going to have to come back and get authorization to enter into some final design and Engineering firms to do this work. It is going to have to be a cooperative thing between the State of Ohio and the City on the final design and then they will actually bid it and oversee the construction of it because it is a traditional plan.

Stewart: Will we have to spend any money this year?

Larry Paxton: We are not budgeted for it. This is just a program we were made aware of in the last 2 months and we have been working on it to complete the application. Our time schedule is not until 2008 to begin any of this.

Motion to pass on the first reading, by Glen Stewart, Moved by Valentine 1, seconded by Valentine 2.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Move to suspend the rules, 3 separate meetings, 3 separate nights by Paul Wertz, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Move that the Resolution be passed by Paul Wertz, seconded by Stewart.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Concludes Legislation.

WARD REPORTS

Ward 2: Bob Valentine: None

Ward 1: Bob Valentine: None

Ward 3: Ruth Detrow: None

Ward 4: Paul Wertz:

(a) Had 3 calls regarding Armstrong Cable and the people were told we are having negotiations this year and a work session scheduled and they are welcome to come to that work session. Complaints regarding Internet.

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS

(a) *Budget Updates*

Suggested to have one more regular meeting this month. Glen Stewart will not be present for that meeting. If this Council would be inclined to have 3 readings, you will have to schedule a special meeting or do 2 readings in the next meeting that you have. Appropriations needs to be passed by the end of this month, March 31, 2007.

We will have another meeting in two weeks, Regular Session. If you want a Special Meeting next week or the 4th Tuesday, keep that in mind.

(b)Liquor Permit- Submitted by Byanka, Inc.,

Doing Business as El Campestre, 1616 Claremont Ave., Ashland, Ohio 44805. They have submitted a permit request as all of you may or may not know, this is in the old Chinese Restaurant, Oceans Buffet, Golden Corral. We have options we have exercised in the past. We can request a hearing in May or we can request not to have a hearing. If we request a hearing to be made, it can be in our County Seat or we can request it in Columbus, Ohio. Is there any history from the Mansfield area on these? A new Business owner in Ashland.

Move that we do not request a hearing, by Glen Stewart, seconded by Valentine 1.
Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Acting Mayor, Richard P. Wolfe, II, Law Director: *None*

Work Session To Follow: Various Current Issues.

a)None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn, by Glen Stewart, Moved by Valentine 2, seconded by Valentine 1.

Ayes: Valentine 1, Valentine 2, Detrow, Wertz, Stewart.

Council adjourned the regular session at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted by
Valarie Bishoff
Clerk of Council

