

**CITY OF CANAL FULTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harbaugh called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor Richard Harbaugh, Council Members - Sue Mayberry, Scott Svab, Danny Losch, Paul Bagocius and Linda Zahirsky

A motion was made to excuse Nellie Cihon by Danny Losch, second by Linda Zahirsky. All Council Members present voted yes.

Others Present: Police Chief Doug Swartz, Fire Chief Ray Durkee, City Manager Mark Cozy, Law Director Scott Fellmeth, Finance Director William Rouse, Service Director Dan Mayberry and Council Clerk Teresa Dolan.

Others Present: Chell Rossi, Joan Porter, Earl Minks, Bob and Barb Schaeffer, James Deans and Sean Craney

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Paul Bagocius reported on the Safety Committee meeting prior to the Council Meeting. The Living Together Arrangement between the City of Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire/EMS Departments was discussed. The meeting was well attended and as of now, six months into the arrangement, everything is positive. The arrangement benefits both parties, and is a good resource for training. The arrangement also benefits the rise in calls. Another meeting will be scheduled in April of 2014.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – AGENDA MATTERS (Five Minutes per Individual – No Yield)

None

Chell Rossi – Oral Report on HPC/Planning

Chell Rossi, 415 High Street N.

Ms. Rossi spoke to Council about a potential beautification recognition program in the City.

She proposed a joint venture between the HPC and TAP committees to establish a Community Beautification Award Commission (C BAC) To recognize business, residential and public sector buildings that exhibit above the ordinary. As property owners improve their site obviously they beautify the city scape Commission could from time to time, as this type of significant improvements arise, award the property owner with a Certificate from Mayor (or Proclamation) and an award sign which they could display at their property for 90 days. The cost of the program would be approximately \$200. HPC and TAP have no funds in their committees, thus they are asking that Council fund this endeavor. The investment would reap benefits a hundred times fold with very little effort, very little cash outlay and very huge rewards.

Council was in agreement that the CBAC was a good idea.

A motion was made to pay the cost, approximately \$200.00, for the CBAC signs by Paul Bagocius, second by Sue Mayberry. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

CORRECTING & ADOPTING THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
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A motion was made to accept the September 17, 2013 minutes by Linda Zahirsky, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Senior Citizens – No Report

Community Service Coordinator – No Report. Sue Mayberry stated that she wanted to recognize John Murphy for the work he is doing cleaning up, as well as scraping and painting around the Blank House.

Fire Chief – Fire Chief Ray Durkee thanked Council for the Safety meeting prior to the Council meeting. He also thanked those in attendance at the West Side Station dedication.

Police Chief - Police Chief Doug Swartz stated that there was a mechanics meeting amongst department heads and thanked Dan Mayberry for the meeting. Chief Swartz reported on sentencing of some criminals that were recently charged in the City.

Chief Swartz reported that Officer Ryan McDowell resigned and is going to Akron full time.

Chief Swartz said that Facebook posts on the Police page have been positive and up in numbers.

Recently there was a K9 sweep in the schools which resulted in Bishop finding marijuana in student's cars which lead to possession charges.

Engineer/Streets/Public Utilities – Dan Mayberry stated that Mr. Svab had a question on Purchase Order 7980 for concrete repair and what the concrete was being used for. Three streets were repaired with approximately 61 square yards.

Mr. Mayberry reported that the curb along the street in front of City Hall would roughly be \$2,300 to \$2,600.

Paul Bagocius asked when leaf pick-up will begin. Mr. Mayberry stated that it would begin when the leaves down are substantial.

Finance Director – Finance Director William Rouse reported that an appropriation ordinance would be needed for the final pay for December.

City Manager - City Manager Mark Cozy reported that he had a written report to distribute.

Mr. Cozy stated that the City Dog Park would be re-opening on Wednesday. There was not a threat of disease or virus at this time and he felt that with Council's input he could have the park re-opened.

Mr. Cozy stated that both OPWC grants that were filed were received and accepted.

The Cherry/Locust Street project is still on schedule.

Mr. Cozy also reported on the Clinton Sewer and the flow test study needed to be done to determine current flows. Mr. Cozy stated that he thought it was a better plan for us to pay for the study, rather than Summit County. Mr. Cozy stated that they could then move those annexed customers over to the City which would thus increase revenue for sewer. Mr. Losch asked if there was an agreement now where we share revenues with Stark County. Mr. Mayberry said no, the county owns 40% of the capacity of the waste water treatment plants and some lift stations. When there are capital improvements we share the expense. The operating expenses are based on a single family equivalent. Mr. Cozy stated that he had spoken to Bill Dorman about his position and wanted Council's input. Mr. Cozy stated that he will review the agreement with the County and advise Council at the next meeting

Mr. Cozy stated that the YMCA of Central Stark County Finance Committee approved the Canal Fulton YMCA to proceed with the Foursquare Survey. The next step is to review the survey outline and prepare it.

Sue Mayberry asked about the Canal Boat and wanted to know financially where we were at. Mr. Rouse state that the Canal Boat revenue was down around the time of the flood but the numbers have risen. Mr. Rouse stated that the September numbers were not in yet.

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Paul Bagocius asked if we do not get approved for the OPWC grants what would happen then. Mr. Cozy said we would seek Bond Council on the project.

Report of Mayor – Mayor Harbaugh stated that he had an appointment for the Civil Service Commission, Sam Wilson of 980 Colonial Drive. Council advised him to bring the information on the next agenda so Council could vote on the appointment.

Parks & Recreation Board – No Report

Law Director – No Report

THIRD READINGS

Resolution 21-13: A Resolution by the Council of the City of Canal Fulton, Ohio to enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio Development Services Agency.

A motion was made by to pass Resolution 21-13 by Linda Zahirsky, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

SECOND READINGS

None.

FIRST READINGS

Ordinance 23-13: An Ordinance by the Council of the city of Canal Fulton, Ohio granting a Salary increase for Clerk of Council Teresa Dolan

Ordinance 24-13: An Ordinance Amending Part Nine, Title Three-Utilities of the Codified Ordinances of Canal Fulton, Ohio to Create Chapter 934. Billing and Repealing any Ordinance in Conflict Therewith.

Ordinance 25-13: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 7-13, and Providing for Supplemental Appropriations for the Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the City of Canal Fulton, County of Stark, Ohio for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013.

A motion was made to suspend the rules by Scott Svab, second by Linda Zahirsky. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

A motion was made to pass Ordinance 25-13 under suspension of the rules by Linda Zahirsky, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted ye. Motion approved.

Ordinance 26-13: An Ordinance of the City of Canal Fulton, Ohio to Hire a Full-time Police Officer for the Canal Fulton Police Department and Declaring and Emergency

A motion was made to suspend the rules by Linda Zahirsky, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

A motion was made to pass Ordinance 26-13 under suspension of the rules by Linda Zahirsky, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

P.O.s

P.O. 7996: to EJ USA, Inc. in the amount of \$5,830.76 for sanitary sewer manhole risers.

A motion was made to approve P.O. 7996 by Linda Zahirsky, second by Sue Mayberry. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

P.O. 7995: to Jim Sims in the amount of \$4,725.00 for a horse shelter in St. Helena Park.

A motion was made to approve P.O. 7995 by Linda Zahirsky, second by Sue Mayberry.

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Scott Svab asked if we received several quotes on the project. Mr. Mayberry said yes, three quotes were received. Mr. Svab also stated that maybe we should wait and build the shelter in the spring. Mr. Svab asked if there was a line item for contingency.

Vote was as follows: Linda Zahirsky – yes, Paul Bagocius – yes, Sue Mayberry – yes, Danny Losch – no, Scott Svab – no. Motion approved.

P.O. 7998: to J.D. Striping & Service, Inc. in the amount of \$4,511.20 to paint double yellow lines and edge lines/ road striping after chip and seal.

A motion was made to approve P.O. 7998 by Sue Mayberry, second by Scott Svab. All Council Members present voted yes. Motion approved.

BILLS None

OLD/NEW/OTHER BUSINESS None

REPORT OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Linda Zahirsky stated that she had several people talk to her about the blockage of the road behind the plaza. She would like the City to consider ways to obtain the rights to that road.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS – Open Discussion (Five Minute Rule)

Larry Steiner – 7382 Akron Ave.

Mr. Steiner stated that he had several rental properties and he wanted to know about the bill going to the landlords only.

Mr. Steiner was advised to come to the Public Service meeting on October 29, 2013 to address the committee on concerns. Mr. Fellmeth said that the meeting would be advertised in the paper.

Sue Mayberry stated that she was disappointed that Meet the Candidate Night was cancelled. Mr. Deans from Friends of the Library stated that there was not enough time to get the program advertised.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm