

A Regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin McKeehan on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Those members present were Bob Blackburn, Richard Keebler, Kate Rousmaniere, Mike Smith, Steve Snyder and Edna Southard.

Staff members present: Mr. Alan Kyger, Acting City Manager; Mr. Mike Dreisbach, Service Director; Mr. Bob Holzworth, Police Chief; Mr. Joe Newlin, Finance Director; Mr. Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director; Mr. John Detherage, Fire Chief; Mr. Steve McHugh, Law Director and Ms. Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Blackburn moved to adjourn to Executive Session immediately in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) 2 and 3 for the purpose of discussing the sale/acquisition of property and pending litigation. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Keebler, Ms. Rousmaniere, Mr. Smith, Mr. Snyder, Ms. Southard, Mayor McKeehan (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Southard moved to adjourn from Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McKeehan requested the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Snyder moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PROCLAMATION **'CAROLINE SCOTT** **HARRISON DAY'**

Mayor McKeehan read the Proclamation and presented it to Ms. Kathleen Fox.

Ms. Kathleen Fox, advised this was the second Proclamation for Caroline Scott Harrison Day in Oxford. Ms. Fox noted this year's event would take place on October 5, 2014 from 3-5 p.m. at the Oxford Community Arts Center and Ms. Scott Harrison's 182 birthday would be celebrated.

Ms. Fox advised a lot had happened since the first Proclamation including the installation of a Historic Marker in front of the OCAC commemorating Ms. Scott Harrison and a book had been published about Ms. Scott Harrison written by Marjory Bowers. Ms. Fox noted a bronze statue would be created of Ms. Scott Harrison by sculptors Jerrett and Celine Hawkins who would be guests at the celebration on October 5th and they would unveil a rendering of the statue. Ms. Fox encouraged everyone to attend the event to celebrate Oxford's First Lady.

PRESENTATION

SENIOR HOUSING SURVEY

Dr. Suzanne Kunkel, Director, Scripps Gerontology Center, thanked Council for the opportunity to address them. Dr. Kunkel advised she wanted to speak about the aging of society noting the baby boom was embarking on this new stage of life and had changed expectations of aging. Dr. Kunkel advised the aging of society had been referred to as the 'Silver Tsunami' and she liked to refer to it as an opportunity and a challenge to change everything we knew about aging. Dr. Kunkel acknowledged people in the audience noting there was an impressive group of people who worked on a project to see what it might mean to grow older in Oxford and how to make the community the best possible place to grow older. Dr. Kunkel advised it was almost exactly a year since a forum was held on this topic and now she and Ms. Lind were here to present some data about what was learned as the group moved forward with some of the specific recommendations that came out of that forum. Dr. Kunkel noted Aging in Place was a national and international trend and there were several models for how to do that. Dr. Kunkel advised people wanted to stay in their communities and in their homes for as long as possible and all of the initiatives and all of the models and changes reflected the aging of society and the aging of communities. Dr. Kunkel noted she, Ms. Lind and the others would provide information and support as we faced the challenges and took advantage of opportunities represented by the aging of our community. Dr. Kunkel advised she would summarize our opportunities and challenges at this point in time as the opportunity to maintain and plan for a vibrant and diverse multi-generational community which involved retaining our older residents and attracting new ones that were in their later stages of life. Dr. Kunkel provided some national data to put into perspective what a challenge this was. Dr. Kunkel advised a recent AARP survey indicated that 2/3 of people aged 45 plus wanted to stay in their home for as long as possible and a survey done in 2014 by the National Council on Aging indicated that ¾ of people aged 60 plus planned to stay in their homes for as long as possible and the challenge was that 30% of them were not sure how they were going to do that and 80% of them had not talked to family members about their plans to stay in their home. Dr. Kunkel advised less than 40% of the respondents to this national survey felt their communities were doing an adequate job of providing affordable housing options. Dr. Kunkel noted a survey was done in Oxford as a collaborative grass roots effort and the focus was to find out what people aged 50 plus wanted, needed, planned for and expected in terms of housing and services as they aged in our community. Dr. Kunkel advised Ms. Lind would discuss those results.

Ms. Sherry Lind, Senior Research Assistant, Scripps Gerontology Center, discussed the results of the survey done in Oxford and provided a PowerPoint presentation noting those who responded to the survey had spent between half a year to 86 years living in Oxford and they lived one quarter of a year to 76 years at their current address.

Ms. Lind advised 35% of the respondents who were 50-64 years of age said Oxford was an excellent place to live and 49% said it was a good place to live. Ms. Lind noted those who were 65-85 years of age had a higher percentage that said Oxford was an excellent place to live. Ms. Lind advised apparently, the longer people lived in Oxford the more they liked it. Ms. Lind noted respondents were asked what they had ever considered doing and the top options were making modifications in their home, moving to another home, moving closer to relatives and moving to a retirement community. Ms. Lind advised respondents were asked when they thought about staying in their own homes as they aged what might cause them to consider moving and the top answers were: easier home maintenance, declining health and to live in a smaller home. Ms. Lind noted the greater number of respondents would prefer to move (if they were to move) to condos or smaller houses. Ms. Lind advised approximately 1/3 of the respondents planned to move in the next 20 years and 9% preferred to live among people their age and 64% preferred to live among people of all ages. Ms. Lind noted the Center for Housing Policy published a report in 2012 entitled "Housing and an Aging Population – Are We Prepared" and many of their recommendations corresponded with the needs and desires indicated by the respondents in Oxford's survey. Ms. Lind advised many opportunities existed if different entities already part of the Oxford area would combine their efforts to solve some of the larger issues seniors faced as they aged in place in the Oxford area. Ms. Lind noted this research could not have been conducted without the combined efforts of the City of Oxford, Oxford Seniors, and the OxfordVillage Network. Ms. Lind advised volunteer organizations, professional organizations, political entities and major employers needed to work together to plan the future and noted the residents that responded to the survey clearly wanted to stay in this area and she encouraged everyone to work together to make it good for all Oxford area residents.

Mayor McKeehan thanked Ms. Lind and Dr. Kunkel for their efforts and noted Council appreciated it.

NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

New permit for Wills Uptown Pizza & Carryout LLC DBA Wills Pizza 11 W. Church Street
Oxford, Ohio 45056.

Mr. Kyger advised Wills Pizza had a permit to sell beer and wine for off-premises consumption (carry-out) and the new permit would allow consumption of beer and wine on the premises.

Ms. Rousmaniere noted she was involved with the Coalition for a Health Community who had a lot of discussions about alcohol and opiate abuse. Ms. Rousmaniere inquired if this establishment had a history of underage violations or other problems. Chief Holzworth advised he was not aware of any violations at this place of business and in the future records of violations could be provided.

Mr. Keebler moved to receive the notice. Mr. Snyder seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Joan Potter Sommer, Chair, Oxford VillAGE Network and Executive Director, Oxford Seniors, thanked the Scripps Gerontology Center and specifically Shetty Lind and Suzanne Kunkel for their research efforts. Ms. Potter Sommer also thanked the City of Oxford and Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director. Ms. Potter Sommer inquired who would have known that the ideas generated from the Forum on Aging last September would have lead to this research and she looked forward to seeing the information obtained from the survey used for the betterment of Oxford.

Ms. Cheryl Young, Assistant Provost for Global Initiatives at Miami University, noted this organizational unit was formed 2 years ago and they worked with all of the internationally focused efforts at the university including International Student and Scholar Services, Study Abroad programs, Continuing Education, the Center for American and World Cultures and the Confucius Institute. Ms. Young noted Han Ban started Confucius Institutes 10 years ago throughout the world and on September 26, 2014 Hanban and across the world would celebrate the 10th anniversary of Confucius Institutes. Ms. Young introduced Ms. Chen Zhao, Director of the Confucius Institute and noted Ms. Zhao would discuss the Confucius Institute Day events.

Ms. Chen Zhao, thanked Council for the opportunity to present information about the Confucius Institute. Ms. Zhao advised there were over 1,000 Chinese Institutes and classrooms around the world and the purpose of the Chinese Institutes was to share the culture and teach the Chinese language. Ms. Zhao noted the Chinese Institute at Miami University was established in August of 2007 and since then 3 more had been established in the State of Ohio. Ms. Zhao advised each Chinese Institute had a partner in China and Miami's partner was Liaoning Normal University. Ms. Zhao noted the Chinese Institute was also a platform for enhancing multi-cultural awareness for Miami University and for the local community and encouraged everyone to see them as a resource. Ms. Zhao advised September 26th was Global Chinese Institute Day and various activities would take place at Cook Field and in the Uptown Parks from 2-8:30 p.m. Ms. Zhao noted a Tia Chi demonstration and a Kite Flying event would take place at Cook Field and informational booths, games and food would be offered in the Uptown Parks. Ms. Zhao advised if it rained, the event would move to the Shriver Center. Ms. Zhao noted her hope this first Chinese Festival would be a good experience so it would carry on in future years.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

Minutes of the September 2, 2014 City Council Meeting. (Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council)

REPORTS

Report regarding the September 3, 2014 Environmental Commission Meeting. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION **NEW VEHICLE**

A Resolution No. 4856 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Statewide Ford Lincoln for the purchase of a 2015 Ford Interceptor Utility vehicle at state contract pricing at a cost not to exceed \$30,806.00. (Bob Holzworth, Police Chief)

RESOLUTION **NEW VEHICLE**

A Resolution No. 4857 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Statewide Ford Lincoln for the purchase of a 2105 Ford Interceptor sedan at state contract pricing at a cost not to exceed \$28,681.00. (Bob Holzworth, Police Chief)

Mr. Blackburn moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Snyder seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

RESOLUTION **NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION** **OVERLAY DISTRICT**

A Resolution No. 4858 of Council accepting the petition as required by Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1146.03 to establish a Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District for that area of Melissa Drive, Melinda Drive, and part of Dana and David Drives as set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and referring the petition to the Oxford Planning Commission for recommendations to City Council. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Ms. Southard recused herself as a resident of the neighborhood in question.

Mr. Chen advised the proposed district included 70 parcels and the neighbors collected 53 signatures which exceeded the 2/3 requirement based on the Zoning Code Chapter 1146. Mr. Chen noted the petition satisfied the boundary requirement for the overlay district and encompassed Melinda Drive, Melissa Drive and parts of David and Dana Drives. Mr. Chen advised this was the first step in establishing an overlay district and if Council accepted the petition it would go before the Planning Commission for recommendations to City Council.

Ms. Linda Musmeci Kimball, 724 Melinda Drive, advised she was in attendance with Charlene York, another circulator of the petition on behalf of an overwhelming majority of neighbors who were in favor of restricting the rental use of single-family dwellings in their neighborhood and designating their neighborhood an overlay district. Ms. Musmeci Kimball noted the neighbors wanted to preserve the peace, tranquility and character of their neighborhood which was their right as a citizen and it was their right to protect the use of their property and their homes. Ms. Musmeci Kimball noted the circulators contacted or notified every home owner because there were 6 rental properties in the proposed district.

Ms. Rousmaniere advised following procedure, Council should move this item to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Snyder moved to adopt Resolution No. 4858. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

ORDINANCES
SECOND READING

ORDINANCE
OVERLAY DISTRICT

An Ordinance No. 3280 Accepting The Planning Commission's Recommendation And Granting A Zoning Map Amendment To Establish A Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District In A R 1-A Single Family Low Density Residential District, For 17 Parcels Located In The Vicinity Of Cedar Drive In The City Of Oxford, Ohio. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised he had no new information to report since the first reading of the proposed Ordinance.

Mr. Jim Michael, advised he was asked to read comments into the record for Allan Winkler who was out of town this evening. "We are here to follow up on our comments from prior meetings of Council and the Planning Commission to ask you to complete the overlay process we began in May, specifically we ask you to approve unchanged the petition that was crafted with the help of Sam Perry and Jung-Han Chen accepted by Council on June 3rd by a vote of 6-0, endorsed by the Planning Commission on August 12th by a vote of 6-1 and then considered sympathetically by Council at the first reading on September 2nd. We argued then and repeat now that we have followed the process to the letter laid out by Council in September 2012. We have signatures from 2/3 of the residents of a discrete block that follows detailed instructions for boundary outlines. The effort to preserve the neighborhood is fully consonant with the Oxford Comprehensive Plan. We seek to maintain a sense of peace and harmony in a neighborhood that has had single family homes for the past 60 years and there will be damage by further traffic on our narrow street. We underscore that this is an owner generated petition that speaks to the wishes of the community. We wish to note that every one of the signatories has a firm commitment to students and their welfare, we are or have been closely associated with Miami University and other institutions and have spent decades working closely and successfully with students. We have invited students living at 926 Cedar Drive to our September block party and will continue to do so. We simply wish to maintain the character of the neighborhood as it is and not let it become a student enclave as has been the case with so many other parts of Oxford. We wish to note that we have followed the democratic process every step of the way. The Council's procedures democratically passed and explicitly described, mandated that an overlay process could proceed with a 2/3 majority of the residents. We have provided that. We have gone to Council, the Planning Commission, and back to Council as specified in the democratic processes. In a democratic society people may disagree with an outcome but they are required to accept the will of the majority. The overlay change we seek is clearly within the contours of the law. Signatories would reject any change. We ask for your support in endorsing this overlay and making it possible at long last."

Ms. Tara Jones, Attorney, 14 W. Park Place, advised she was in attendance representing the petitioners. Ms. Jones noted some of the comments from the first reading addressed the possibility of amending the overlay boundary line and advised this boundary was drawn carefully in a geographically logical way as the Ordinance dictated. Ms. Jones noted the Ordinance gave the example of a cul-de-sac or an entire block as a preferred overlay boundary which was what this petition included. Ms. Jones encouraged Council to accept the boundary line as presented without change. Ms. Jones advised the overlay created an almost perfect rectangle and included the properties on and immediately adjacent to a cul-de-sac as suggested by the Ordinance. Ms. Jones noted excluding certain properties from the overlay opened the door for 'checkerboard' zoning and advised there might be an argument to exclude certain properties from the overlay since they were at the end corner of the boundary line but doing so undermined the overlay process. Ms. Jones noted the overlay Ordinance was not designed to require unanimous consent to the boundary line, it was designed instead to preserve the attractiveness, desirability and privacy of residential neighborhoods by precluding all or certain types of rental properties. Ms. Jones advised excluding properties from this overlay opened the door for carve-outs to every other overlay petition presented to Council in the future. Ms. Jones again encouraged Council to accept the overlay boundary line as presented without change.

Ms. Melanie Brinkman, 5720 Old Pfeiffer Lane, Blue Ash, Ohio, noted she communicated most of what she wanted say in writing earlier today to each Councilor. Ms. Brinkman advised she represented 920 and 926 Cedar Drive. Ms. Brinkman advised in looking at the previous petition Council accepted tonight she noticed it did not create a perfect rectangle. Ms. Brinkman referred to the Cedar Drive petition and noted based on the cemetery next door and university property across the street it did not create a checkerboard pattern to exclude 4 properties and the impact of including them did not make a big difference in the traffic flow. Ms. Brinkman noted a proposal was offered today which would allow the 4 properties access directly from Chestnut Street as opposed to using Cedar Drive as their main thoroughfare. Ms. Brinkman advised the Engineering Department supported plans to create a driveway network that would allow the 4 parcels to not increase congestion.

Ms. Pat Willeke, 1007 Cedar Drive, advised the Cedar Drive residents were again asking Council to approve the entire rectangle for the Cedar Drive overlay. Ms. Willeke noted the residents appreciated Council's thoughtfulness in making this decision. Ms. Willeke advised they knew that 2 of the property owners would not be happy if the entire rectangle was approved but 10 of them would be very happy. Ms. Willeke noted the residents knew that there would always be rental properties on their street. Ms. Willeke advised the residents had met every criteria to become an overlay community and their request for 14 properties and 12 owners whose properties touched each other was the only logical way for Cedar Drive to be an overlay neighborhood. Ms. Willeke again thanked Council for their careful consideration.

Mr. Tom Brinkman, 5720 Old Pfeiffer Lane, Blue Ash, Ohio, advised he represented 331 E. Chestnut Street and noted he purchased the property as a rental property, it sat next to a rental property and a cemetery and it was across from university property. Mr. Brinkman advised during the purchase process he never once drove down Cedar Drive. Mr. Brinkman noted he purchased the property for his family to enjoy for generations to come. Mr. Brinkman advised it was obvious that the owners of the 4 parcels did not want to be included in the overlay district and none of them were notified which was bad due process.

Mr. Brinkman noted he purchased the property for the flexibility of the future and when he purchased it overlay districts did not exist. Mr. Brinkman advised he respected the other property owners if they wanted to voluntarily put their home in an overlay district. Mr. Brinkman noted he had no way to voice that he didn't want to be included and when he did voice concerns at the Planning Commission meeting he was ignored. Mr. Brinkman advised excluding the 4 parcels would not create a checkerboard pattern and there would be a unanimous consent overlay district. Mr. Brinkman noted he felt this was an attempt to restrict what he expected when he purchased the property. Mr. Brinkman advised he offered to connect the properties specifically and completely to Chestnut Street but there had been no dialog until today and then it was rejected. Mr. Brinkman noted he was frustrated that there was no compromise.

Ms. Christine House Shumway, 1000 Cedar Drive, noted Mr. Brinkman also owned 920 and 926 Cedar Drive along with his wife. Ms. House Shumway advised the residents started this process on June 3rd with Council and the Brinkman's closed on their properties on June 30th. Ms. House Shumway indicated that the Brinkman's were aware that the overlay process had started before they purchased the house. Ms. House Shumway noted at the last meeting references were made about the residents of Cedar Drive being biased against students and advised most of them were teachers, mentored students and had no bias against students, the Brinkmans, landlords or the right to own and rent property. Ms. House Shumway advised the residents were only here to preserve the character of their street and they wanted to maintain it as a peaceful, quiet place to live and a safe place to raise children. Ms. House Shumway noted her hope Council would keep the overlay boundary as presented and the residents appreciated everything Council had done.

Ms. Carol Michael, 409 E. Chestnut, noted what affected Cedar Drive also affected Chestnut Street. Ms. Michael advised for many years Cedar Drive and Chestnut Street residents had worked together to maintain a high quality neighborhood of residential homes. Ms. Michael noted they worked together to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph on Chestnut Street and to get yellow curbing installed for better visibility for motorists. Ms. Michael advised they also countered the plan to re-route U.S. 27 down E. Chestnut Street. Ms. Michael noted quality of life was an important issue to them and this was a perfect application of the overlay district legislation. Ms. Michael thanked Council for the opportunity to have the overlay and encouraged Council to support the residents in maintaining the quality of this residential neighborhood.

Mr. Gene Willeke, 1007 Cedar Drive, noted he felt the driveway proposal made by the Brinkmans for a R1A District needed to go before the Board of Zoning Appeals for a zoning variance.

Mr. Blackburn advised he was not in favor of the proposal for a private driveway off of Chestnut Street to serve 4 properties and noted another curb cut was not needed there.

Mr. Snyder echoed Mr. Blackburn's comments noting he felt it would create problems in the future for that area.

Mr. Keebler advised he was not in favor of the proposal for a private driveway off of Chestnut Street noting there could be as many as 12 cars going in and out on a daily basis in close proximity to Oak Street and Cedar Drive which was a safety issue.

Mr. Keebler referred to the issue of notification and stated he didn't know what it would have changed. Mr. Keebler advised this was the notification and this was the due process to create an overlay district.

Mr. Keebler advised he would like to offer an amendment to remove 2 properties from the overlay district located at 331 E. Chestnut Street and 401 E. Chestnut Street. Mr. Keebler noted 401 E. Chestnut had been a rental for 11 years according to the owner and 331 E. Chestnut had been a rental for 7 years. Mr. Keebler advised those 2 properties were not really a part of the neighborhood, they just squared off the boundary. Mr. Keebler noted the rental permits were grandfathered for those properties and he saw nothing to be gained for the neighborhood by including those properties in the overlay.

Mr. Keebler moved to amend the proposed Ordinance by changing 17 to 15 in the caption and in Section 3 after Council hereby accepts add *and modifies* and after Planning Commission add *by removing 2 parcels shown on Exhibit "A" as "not signed" with Chestnut Street Addresses* and after District add *for the remaining 15 parcels*.

Ms. Rousmaniere noted she understood Mr. Keebler's position but she was still inclined to object to carving-out, exempting or making changes to an overlay district that was designed specifically by staff. Ms. Rousmaniere noted concern with setting a precedent. Ms. Rousmaniere advised the overlay was set-up to have 2/3 of a community as homeowners and 1/3 as rental properties and those that had rental permits may continue to hold those rental permits. Ms. Rousmaniere noted as Mr. Blackburn said at the last meeting, a family could move into a rental property and maintain the rental permit and still keep it as a rental property. Ms. Rousmaniere advised the claimed loss of flexibility of the rental properties in the proposed district perplexed her. Ms. Rousmaniere reiterated that staff created these boundaries and she was not convinced that Council should make changes.

Mr. Keebler noted Council was the voice of those who wanted to be in the overlay and those who did not and he felt there were reasonable accommodations that could be made by Council looking at the whole picture and not having a vested interest in the properties. Mr. Keebler advised he would never consider carving out properties in the middle of a proposed district. Mr. Keebler noted Council had a vested interest in protecting all of the home owners not just the ones who wanted to be in the overlay and he did not see the value of the 2 properties on E. Chestnut Street being included in the overlay when the owners did not want to be included. Mr. Keebler advised those owners had no other way to opt-out except by Council opting them out.

Mayor McKeehan referred to comments made earlier and corrected the fact that the Ordinance did not grant 1/3 the right to rent it simply said a 2/3 majority was needed to support a proposed overlay district coming before Council.

Mr. Snyder inquired if the Ordinance allowed for the changing of boundaries at this point in the process and Mr. McHugh advised Council had the authority to make changes as they deemed appropriate.

Ms. Southard noted ideally she would like to keep the overlay intact but it was also in Council's best interest to get this done sooner rather than later. Ms. Southard advised she agreed with not having a private driveway off of Chestnut Street.

Mayor McKeehan advised he could not support the private driveway because of the additional egress and the off sets in that area would create more calamity with 12 or more cars coming and going each day. Mayor McKeehan applauded Councilor Keebler for his proposed amendment noting he felt it had merit.

Mr. Keebler moved to amend the proposed Ordinance by changing 17 to 15 in the caption and in Section 3 after Council hereby accepts add *and modifies* and after Planning Commission add *by removing 2 parcels shown on Exhibit "A" as "not signed" with Chestnut Street Addresses and after District add for the remaining 15 parcels.* Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 6-1-0 with Ms. Rousmaniere voting nay.

Mr. Snyder moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3280 as amended. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Smith, Mr. Snyder, Ms. Southard, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Keebler, Mayor McKeehan (6)

NAY: Ms. Rousmaniere (1)

ABS: None (0)

ORDINANCE **SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET**

An Ordinance No. 3281 Amending Ordinance No. 3249. Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 5 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2014. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Newlin advised he had no new information since the first reading of the proposed Ordinance.

Mayor McKeehan inquired if there were any comments from the public or from Council and there were none.

Mr. Snyder moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3281. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Smith, Mr. Snyder, Ms. Southard, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Keebler, Ms. Rousmaniere, Mayor McKeehan (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kyger advised Mr. Elliott was attending the International City Managers Association conference which was why he was not in attendance.

Mr. Kyger noted the Oxford League of Women Voters would host on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the LCNB a session on the Electric Aggregation Program which would be on the ballot in November. Mr. Kyger advised the City entered into an agreement with Eagle Energy who would assist with the informational campaign and with the regulations and requirements as this program moved forward. Mr. Kyger noted this was the first informational session and others would be held prior to the election.

Mr. Chen advised on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 the Housing Advisory Commission would hold their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the LCNB Community Room and Sherry Lind and Dr. Kunkel would provide a detailed presentation of the housing survey. Mr. Chen noted the presentation this evening was only a small portion of what would be presented on the 23rd.

Ms. Southard noted Uptown Oxford was a very exciting place to be these days and advised Council just heard about the Chinese Festival which would take place on September 26th and the Hispanic Festival took place last Friday which was very successful. Ms. Southard advised the annual Harvest Moon Festival would take place on Sunday, September 28, 2014 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Uptown Parks which would include farm animals, music, food, Farmers Market vendors, free activities for kids, cooking demonstrations, educational speakers and mule drawn wagon rides. Ms. Southard noted the event was co-sponsored by the Miami Oxford Organic Network Educational Committee and by the Moon Market.

Ms. Rousmaniere advised a Health, Wellness and Safety Expo would take place at Oxford Seniors on Monday, September 23, 2014 from 3-6 p.m. sponsored by the Butler County Fall Prevention Task Force. Ms. Rousmaniere noted the Expo would feature various interactive vendors, booths, risk assessments and speakers.

Ms. Rousmaniere advised the Freedom Summer 50th Anniversary Conference and Reunion would take place October 11-14 primarily at the Marcum Center. Ms. Rousmaniere noted on Monday, October 13, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at Hall Auditorium a free concert would take place with music from the Civil Rights Movement called 'People Get Ready'.

Mr. Blackburn noted the passing of Ronnie Brown last night noting he was a visionary and had been a teacher at the Talawanda High School.

ADJOURN

Mr. Snyder moved to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Ms. Southard seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.