

## REGULAR MEETING OF CELINA CITY COUNCIL October 27, 2008

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President Rodriguez called the Regular Meeting of Celina City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members Bachelor, Buxton, Jeffries, King, Larmore, Scott and Sell answered roll call. Also present were Planning & Community Development Director Bryan, City Auditor Stewart and City Law Director McKirnan.

CM Bachelor made a motion to accept the amended agenda dated 10/24/08, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

CM Sell made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 13, 2008, Regular Council Meeting as corrected, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

CM Jeffries reported that the Streets & Alleys Committee met on October 16<sup>th</sup>. They discussed the Main Street Reconstruction Project and parking. There was a discussion on parallel parking and CM Jeffries said as the chairman of Streets & Alleys Committee and a member of Council on Aging he can not support parallel parking. He said he spoke with downtown business owners and 22 out of 23 were not in favor of parallel parking. CM Bachelor explained the discussion at the meeting on lane width.

CM King stated that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on October 26<sup>th</sup> for discussion of restrooms at Eastview Park.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Director Bryan asked Danielle Steinhauser from Poggemeyer Design Group to report on where the Downtown Revitalization Grant stands at this time. She said that ten communities applied for the grant and it looks like six will receive a grant. The announcement should be the first part of December to who receives a grant. She said she feels this is one of the strongest applications she has done. There was a short discussion on the type of parking.

**AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS:** (First Reading)

52-08-O: An Ordinance establishing Stormwater Utility Fees and declaring an emergency. Director Bryan said administration is not asking to suspend the rules and pass tonight but they would like to implement this, the first of the year. CM Sell asked why the late payment is not spelled out to what it is. Director Bryan said there is a written policy on the penalty and if we say it in the ordinance, whenever the policy changes we would have to change the ordinance. There was a short discussion on why ERU is not defined in this ordinance. CM Bachelor made a motion to amend the ordinance by adding "square feet" after "three thousand eighty three" in Section One and in Section Four replacing the words "for the further reason begin collection" with "to provide adequate time to prepare initial bills for collection". CM Scott made a second to the motion. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye. CM Scott made a motion to pass the ordinance to second reading, seconded by CM King. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

53-08-O: An Ordinance appropriating funds from the Mersman TIF Fund and authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into an agreement for professional services related to development within the

Mersman TIF District, and declaring an emergency. Director Bryan explained the area and what the project would include. CM Scott asked if any of this money is going towards the Mersman property. Director Bryan said no, this is right of way and city owned property. CM Jeffries had questions about the Hirschfield property and limiting access to his property. CM Sell said he also received a call about access to property on Anthony Street and being able to turn around. Director Bryan explained there is a limited amount of public right of way and what is private property. He also explained how they might turn around to get out. He said people have been using private property to turn around and drive across. We need to pin the corners of property lines to be able to understand and work things out. After a further short discussion, CM Bachelor made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 6-1, Aye. CM Jeffries voted Nay. A motion to pass the ordinance was made by CM Sell, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 6-1, Aye. CM Jeffries voted Nay.

54-08-O: An Ordinance accepting the Governor's Highway Safety Office Grant to fund an Occupant Protection Coordinator, appropriating funds, and declaring an emergency. CM Sell asked Chief Slusser what the dollar division is for equipment and for wages. Chief Slusser said approximately \$17,000 is for equipment and the rest is salary. He explained everything goes through the city books and then reimbursed. He believes the reimbursement is quarterly. CM Bachelor asked if the officer has been through training and the Chief said yes, she is currently doing this job. CM Jeffries asked why this can't start the first of the year. Chief Slusser said the state's fiscal year starts in October and we just got the paper work from the state. CM Sell asked if Angie Ewing will be the administrator for this grant for fourteen counties and the Chief said yes. CM Sell made a motion to amend the ordinance by changing the words "BE IT RESOLVED" to "BE IT ORDAINED", seconded by CM King. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye. A motion to suspend the rules was made by CM Sell, seconded by CM King. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye. CM King made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

17-08-R: A Resolution authorizing the City of Celina to submit a grant application to the Office of Criminal Justice Services for technological advancement, and declaring an emergency. CM Sell asked what JAG-LE stood for and Chief Slusser said Justice Assistant Grant-Law Enforcement. CM Bachelor asked what technological advancements we are doing. The Chief said probably computer. CM Bachelor explained this will be coming from the 2009 budget and will be specified what fund it comes from when we do the 2009 budget. CM Scott made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye. CM Scott made a motion to pass the resolution, seconded by CM Bachelor. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS:** (Second Reading)

50-08-O: An Ordinance establishing a Stormwater Utility Fund and Rate Structure to provide funding for the activities of the City of Celina's Stormwater Utility. CM Bachelor made a motion to move this item to the last item of old business, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

16-08-R: A Resolution declaring the official intent and reasonable expectation of the City of Celina on behalf of the State of Ohio (the borrower) to reimburse its General and or Utilities Fund for the Buckeye Street Utilities and Street Reconstruction Project Number CM02L with the Proceeds of Tax Exempt Debt of the State of Ohio. CM Bachelor asked Director Bryan if he checked on the date of construction start and bid date. Director Bryan said he doesn't have the information with him but the dates have changed. A motion to pass the resolution to third reading was made by CM Sell, seconded by CM Bachelor. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

(Third Reading)

47-08-O: An Ordinance enacting a Stormwater Utility within the corporate limits of the City of Celina, Ohio. CM Scott made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 7-0, Aye.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Director Bryan gave an update on the senior housing project (at the former Mersman site). CM Jeffries explained a similar project he and Director Bryan went to see in Troy.

A Council as a Whole Committee meeting was set for Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the utility building.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

CM Scott said he noticed a smell in town and asked where it was coming from. No one knew for sure but CM Sell explained what someone told him.

CM Bachelor asked if we knew what kind of numbers we are getting on our notes. Auditor Stewart said they are waiting until this week for hopefully better rates.

CM Bachelor noted that Time Warner is raising rates again in November. He asked how far along Wabash Communication are. Director Bryan said that possibly in the next three years they will have the city covered.

CM Buxton said he noticed parking violations almost tripled in September and asked why. Chief Slusser said cars had been parking overnight downtown.

CM King asked when we are going to address additions and height issues as well as infrastructure issues. Director Bryan said the additions and height issues guidelines have been finished but they need to be reviewed. He is hoping to get Danielle involved starting with downtown. He suggested guidelines go to committee for review.

A Community Betterment Committee meeting was set for Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 in the utility building.

Director Bryan said an infrastructure draft is about ready to be presented to council.

CM Jeffries said the waterline on Jay Street has been replaced.

President Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Jackie L. Lacy, Council Clerk