

CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
Special Council Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2020
Approved: November 3, 2020

On Tuesday, October 6, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Meyers called the Special Meeting of the Highland Heights City Council to order. This was a virtual meeting via Zoom and streamed live on the City of Highland Heights Facebook page.

Attendance Roll Call: Councilmembers: John Hoffert, yes; Rene Heinrich, yes; Deborah Ball, yes; Gary Chinn, yes; Virgil Miller, yes; and Michael Kessler, yes; Mayor Meyers, yes. A quorum was present.

Staff Present: Attorney, Steve Franzen; City Engineer/Zoning Administrator, Dave Whitacre; Public Works Director, Steve Lehman; Police Lieutenant, Nick Love; City Clerk/Treasurer, Jeanne Pettit.

Announcements/Correspondence

- Notice of the special meeting, along with an agenda and meeting materials, were emailed to all council members and city staff. Email notifications and agendas were sent to media organizations requesting notification. A notice and the agenda were posted on the door of the City Building and on the City's website. An announcement was also posted on the City's Facebook page.
- All council votes will be taken by roll call vote.
- Mayor Meyers held a moment of silence for Mr. Goleman Hill who recently passed away. Mr. Hill was honored last year for his 100th birthday and his service as a WWII veteran.

Minutes for Approval

Special Meeting Council Minutes of September 15, 2020. These minutes had been previously e-mailed to the Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff for review.

- **Action Taken:** Member Chinn made a motion to accept the minutes from the special council meeting of September 15, 2020. Seconded by Member Ball. Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Ball, yes; Chinn, yes; Heinrich, yes; Hoffert, yes; Kessler, yes; Miller, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Guests: Dennis Elrod from Adkins, Elrod, and Associates; and Tammy Weidinger and Wonda Winkler from Brighton Center to discuss a City Block Grant.

- This grant would be used to renovate a building on NKU property, behind Callahan Hall, and close to the city's ballfield. The purpose is to provide an education program and affordable housing (14-16 efficiency units) for low to moderate income students (18-24 years of age) attending a post-secondary institution as a part-time student, and employed. The target group is young adults aging out of foster care and other vulnerable youth.
- Councilmember Heinrich, who works with at risk young adults through her law practice, expressed her support and discussed the need for this program.

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- **Action Taken:** Member Hoffert made a motion to advertise for a grant administrator. Seconded by Member Heinrich. Discussion, None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Heinrich, yes; Miller, yes; Kessler, yes; Hoffert, yes; Ball, yes; Chinn, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Staff Reports

- Police Lieutenant – Nick Love – Report is attached to these minutes.
- City Clerk/Treasurer – Jeanne Pettit – Report is attached to these minutes.
- Finance Director – Harry Barlage
- City Engineer/Zoning Administrator – Dave Whitacre – Report is attached to these minutes.
- Public Works Supervisor – Steve Lehman – Report is attached to these minutes.
- City Attorney – Steve Franzen

New Business

- Cancel the October 20 Council Meeting
 - **Action Taken:** Member Miller made a motion to cancel the October 20, 2020 council meeting. Seconded by Member Chinn. Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Heinrich, yes; Kessler, yes; Ball, yes; Miller, yes; Chinn, yes; Hoffert, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Old Business

- The October 3, 2020 Arbor Day event went well.

Adjournment

- **Action Taken:** Member Chinn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Member Miller. Discussion: None.
 - **Roll Call:** Member Miller, yes; Hoffert, yes; Heinrich, yes; Kessler, yes; Chinn, yes; Ball, yes. Mayor Meyers declared the motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:02 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2020.

Submitted by: 
Jeanne M. Pettit, City Clerk/Treasurer

Signed: 
Gregory V. Meyers, Mayor