

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 21, 2009

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

Acting President David Silvestri called the regular meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers by asking everyone to rise and join in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present: Jon Ansel, Mike Buytendyk, Bob Henery, David Silvestri, Jeff Steiner and Jon Ulbright. Ed Schuch was absent.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Steiner moved, seconded by Mr. Henery, to approve minutes of the September 8, 2009 meeting. Upon voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman updated council on various activities in the city: Completion of street construction projects; Cleveland Rd. soon to be finished and an opening ceremony is being planned for the College of Wooster section of the Beall Avenue Streetscape project. He expressed gratitude to Wooster Rotary Club for their generous donation of \$50,000 for the construction of a pavilion at Oak Hill Park. Mayor Breneman read a Mayoral Proclamation honoring and thanking Thomas E. Hilt for his service on the city's Parks and Recreation Commission for 32 years. Also, Mayor Breneman asked council to consider adjourning into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss the possible purchase of property.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Three notices of liquor permit applications were received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

Greystone Group, LLC, DBA Somar Wine Cellars, 211 S. Market Street, applied for a new C1 and C2 liquor permit. Privileges for a C1 permit are beer only in original sealed container for carry out only and privileges for a C2 permit is wine and certain prepackaged mixed drinks in sealed containers for carry out. Mr. Ulbright moved, seconded by Mr. Ansel, not to request a hearing. Upon voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

El Rancho Grande Inc., DBA El Rancho Grande, 117 West Liberty Street, applied for a new D5L liquor permit. Privileges for a D5L permit are sale of beer and intoxicating liquor at retail by the glass or container for on premises consumption until 2:30 a.m. (retail food establishment or food service operation meeting certain criteria). Mr. Ulbright moved, seconded by Mr. Buytendyk, not to request a hearing. Upon voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

MMVRR LLC, 244 Market St., also applied for a new D5L liquor permit. Mr. Steiner moved, seconded by Mr. Henery, not to request a hearing. Upon voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

The following members of the audience spoke: Darin Campbell and Tim Swift of the Wooster Rotary Club were present on behalf of their club to make a donation of \$50,000 to the City of Wooster for the construction of a pavilion at the new Oak Hill Park. Tom Hilt, Chairman of City of Wooster Parks and Recreation Commission, extended deepest gratitude and appreciation to the Noble Foundation and to the Wooster Rotary Club for their generous donations.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS (None)

VI. OLD BUSINESS (None)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2009-24 ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM THE WOOSTER, ROTARY CLUB FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PAVILION AT OAK HILL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Henery)

Mr. Henery stated he was pleased to introduce this legislation and felt there had been sufficient discussion about the donation from the Wooster Rotary Club for the design and construction of a pavilion at Oak Hill Park.

Mr. Henery moved, seconded by Mr. Ulbright, to suspend the rules and place on third and final reading. Upon roll call, motion carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes).

Mr. Henery moved, seconded by Mr. Buytendyk, to adopt. Upon roll call, motion to adopt carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes).

2. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2009-25 AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE (Ansel)

Mr. Ansel stated the Parks & Recreation Division's 1998 Ford pick-up truck is unsafe to use and is in need of significant repairs estimated at over \$3000. Rather than repairing the older vehicle which gets poor gas mileage, the recreation division has requested to purchase a newer fuel efficient vehicle for use by office staff to travel between recreation facilities. Funds for this purchase must be transferred from the General Fund (recreation operating) to the Capital Improvements Fund.

Mr. Ansel moved, seconded by Mr. Ulbright, to suspend the rules and place on third and final reading. Upon roll call, motion carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes).

Mr. Ansel moved, seconded by Mr. Henery, to adopt. Upon roll call, motion to adopt carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes).

Mr. Silvestri announced a RFP (request for proposals) for video taping Wooster City Council meetings for calendar years 2010-2011 has been prepared. Those wishing to receive a copy should contact the Clerk of Council at City Hall, 538 N. Market Street. All proposals must be submitted to the clerk by October 30, 2009.

Mr. Steiner moved, seconded by Mr. Ansel, to go into executive session to discuss the possible acquisition of real estate. Upon roll call, motion carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes). Council adjourned to executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Steiner moved, seconded by Mr. Ansel, to adjourn from executive session. Upon roll call, motion carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Buytendyk-yes; Henery-yes; Silvestri-yes; Steiner-yes and Ulbright-yes). Council adjourned from executive session at 8:45 p.m.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Ulbright asked Daryl Decker, Parks Manager, to elaborate on the location of the pavilion at Oak Hill Park. Mr. Decker indicated the map provided was an early conception of the park and the pavilion will probably be moved forward towards Oak Hill to make it more visible due to safety concerns. The design of the park is under contract and is in the final drafting stages. Within the next 8 months the final design and plans will be brought forward. Mr. Decker further explained the environmental concept of the park, that it would be a park of the land, not on the land.

Mr. Silvestri thanked Mr. Decker for the summary and for utilizing this opportunity to not only provide a park for enjoyment purposes, but to also offer educational concepts for citizens to implement at their own homes.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Steiner moved, seconded by Mr. Buytendyk, to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting so adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

David J. Silvestri
Acting President of Council

Cheryl K. Collins
Clerk of Council