

**CITY OF MASON
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2002**

Mayor McCurley called the meeting to order and asked Matt Richardson, an Eagle Scout, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of Council were present: Jim Fox, Victor Kidd, Tom Grossmann, Peter Beck, Charlene Pelfrey and John McCurley. Dick Staten was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 14, 2002 was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mr. John Lazarus, Superintendent of the Warren County MRDD addressed Council and asked for support in the passage of the upcoming levy before the voters this November. He explained it is a 4-mil replacement levy.

Charlotte Hagen of 5836 Running Fox Lane addressed Council and stated she feels the police are very professional and she appreciates their efforts and hopes she did not infer otherwise at the last Council meeting.

ORDINANCE 2002-138 APPROVAL OF THE SANITARY EASEMENT DEDICATION & VACATION PLAT OF THE HERITAGE CLUB, SECTION 10

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

Richard Fair stated the developer is requesting the approval of the sanitary easement dedication/vacation plat for lots 143 and 144 in Heritage Club, Section 10. He explained this plat will allow for the relocation of a sanitary easement by vacating the existing sanitary easement and dedicating the new easement on these lots. The relocation of this easement will provide additional space on lot 144 for the construction of a future residence. Richard Fair stated Planning Commission has reviewed this request and recommends approval. Councilmember Beck asked if the City bears any cost for this relocation. Richard Fair stated the developer bears the total cost.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Grossmann, seconded by Councilmember Pelfrey. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2002-138 was made by Councilmember Grossmann, seconded by Councilmember Beck. VOTE: ALL YEAS

ORDINANCE 2002-139 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WARREN COUNTY'S BRIDGE ON MASON MONTGOMERY ROAD

A motion to read by title only was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

Scot Lahrmer explained to Council the widening of the Mason-Montgomery Road bridge was a joint venture financially with the Warren County Engineer's office. They are responsible for 67.1% of the cost. Scot stated in order to get reimbursed for replacing the bridge, the City is required to enter into a reimbursement agreement with the Warren County Commissioner's to receive the funds.

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2002-139 was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded Councilmember Beck. VOTE: ALL YEAS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The City employees have had a very successful United Way campaign this year increasing last year's donations by 10%, which is 7% over the 2002 goal. The total collected is \$11,200.

Council must pass a motion to continue as in previous years, giving a ham or turkey to fulltime employees at the holidays. Vice Mayor Fox moved to give fulltime employees a ham or turkey at the holidays. Councilmember Pelfrey seconded the motion. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A worksession has been scheduled for Monday November 4, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Center.

A request has been received from the Chamber of Commerce for a \$5,000 contribution for Christmas in Mason. This is the same request and contribution the City made last year. A motion to make a \$5,000 contribution for the same purpose this year was made by Councilmember Beck, seconded by Councilmember Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Beck reported on the activities of the Veteran's Memorial Committee. He stated the CEO breakfast meetings have been completed with two more planned for

November 6 and 7. He also stated a resident, Tom Hudepohl, has agreed to donate his time and act as the General Manager for the construction of the memorial. He stated review of the costs should be completed in 4 to 6 weeks.

Councilmember Pelfrey gave a brief history of the Veteran's Memorial Committee including how it was formed and the development of the mission statement. She explained the details of the next fund raising event planned for November 8 and 9. This Community Challenge will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, November 8. After giving the details of the event, she addressed the needs the committee has in ensuring this event is a success. Staff will work with the committee to provide the necessary items.

COUNCIL OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Beck thanked Becky Osborne and her husband Steve for the work they do organizing the "Make a Difference Day". He stated approximately 50 people were at Hosea Woods to clean up the area.

Councilmember Pelfrey asked if the final report from Poggemeyer has been received and distributed to Council. Scot replied he has just received it and will distribute copies to Council this week.

Mayor McCurley reported Trick or Treat will be on Thursday from 6-8:00 p.m. The Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday November 9 at the Mason Middle School. He has received comments regarding Officer Matt Hayes for his professionalism and his ability to well represent the City

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS--None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and litigation was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to reconvene into regular session was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to add Ordinance 2002-140 to the agenda was made by Councilmember Beck, seconded by Councilmember Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS

ORDINANCE 2002-140 APPROVING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MASON AND MASON PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS, IAFF, LOCAL 4049, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to read by title only was made by Vice Mayor Fox, seconded by Councilmember Beck. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to suspend the rule and allow for adoption after the first reading was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2002-140 was made by Councilmember Pelfrey, seconded by Vice Mayor Fox. VOTE: ALL YEAS

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Beck, seconded by Councilmember Grossmann. VOTE: ALL YEAS
TIME: 8:58 p.m.

Clerk of Council

Mayor