

**CITY OF MASON
COUNCIL WORKSESSION
JUNE 2, 2008**

Mayor Grossmann called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of Council were present: Victor Kidd, Christine Shimrock, Don Prince, Tony Bradburn and Pete Beck. Todd Wurzbacher was absent.

CITY LOGO

Jennifer Heft stated the purpose of this discussion is to bring the newer Councilmembers up to date on the progress of selecting a new city logo. Jennifer Trepal provided a brief history of how the City reached the point of contracting with the firm *Rocket Science*. Greg Fahrenbach discussed the potential "tag lines" and the design options that were discussed by the previous Council. A general discussion took place among Councilmembers on the pros and cons of each design. A consensus was reached to request additional design options be submitted.

TRIHEALTH PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Eric Hansen provided an update on the current status of the ongoing discussions with TriHealth. He explained the costs are now becoming available and with that input, the concept plan can be further developed. He noted this project has an aggressive time line as it is desired to break ground this year if possible. He noted the project is on track. He stated TriHealth remains very committed to providing a 31,000 or 32,000 square foot facility.

CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

Richard Fair explained to Council, the City has three road improvement projects in the foreseeable future. The first is Bethany Road from SR 741 to SR 42. He reported it is anticipated the City will receive a \$3.6 million dollar grant for this project. He noted a change order would be coming to Council at the next meeting to prepare the drawings in ODOT form. He said the construction time for this project is 2012. Warren County is preparing the west end of Bethany Road and it is planned for 2010 or 2011.

He said in 2009 the City will be starting the Mason Road project. He noted for this project the City received a \$1.6 million dollar grant. It is necessary to proceed with the right of way acquisitions to retain the grant funding.

The third road project is slated for 2010 on US 42.

Council discussed these projects and reflected on the priority of each one. They also discussed the new public works facility and use of the old property.

COMMITTEE ITEMS


Vice Mayor Beck discussed the skateboard park project. He displayed plans that are available for a versatile design that can be expanded in the future if it receives a large amount of use. Councilmember Bradburn said he would like to discuss partnering on this project with Liberty Township, West Chester Township and Deerfield Township if they agree. He also said it could be located on the Voice of America park property.

Eric Hansen stated the next meeting will be on June 9, 2008 and July 14, 2008.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Bradburn, seconded by Councilmember Kidd. VOTE: ALL YEAS

Time: 8:34 p.m.


Clerk of Council
Mayor