

BEAVERCREEK CITY COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD  
Work Session, October 5, 2009 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mr. Hadley, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Petrak, Mayor Vann

ABSENT: Mrs. Howard, Vice Mayor Giambrone

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Cornell, Clerk Gillaugh, Chief Turner, Mr. McGrath

SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Steve Maag, Gale Mabry, Peg Arnold, Richard Eckhardt, Joyce Carter, Al Nels

Mayor Vann called the meeting to order followed by roll call.

Mr. Petrak MOVED to approve the agenda, adding the 9/11 Memorial Site. Seconded by Mr. Jarvis the Motion PASSED by unanimous voice vote

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### Building Construction Update- School Update

Gary Sattler, Beaver Creek City Schools, stated the planning process is continuous and showed several photos of a couple projects that are currently under construction or have been completed. He said one of the more challenging projects they are doing is the remodeling of the heating, ventilation and the air conditioning at all the existing elementary schools and at Ferguson Middle School and reconditioning the systems at the high school and Ankeny Middle School. Mr. Sattler discussed the preparation work needed to be prepared before the new system could be installed at the different schools. He said during the summer they began to work on the heating and air conditioning controls at the high school. Mr. Sattler explained the work that was completed this summer for the high school gymnasium. He stated they replaced the roofs at Ferguson and Ankeny this summer and did a partial replacement at the high school. Mr. Sattler discussed the projects have been running below budget and the process has gone well.

He explained the projects that have been completed were able to be stand alone projects, and the future projects will become more complex. Mr. Sattler said they have been working with Beaver Creek Township and Greene County regarding the new schools and there are a lot of steps to be completed. He stated they are in the process now of planning the renovations for this coming summer and the following summer.

##### Development Update- City Update

Jeff McGrath, Planning Director, stated based on the downturn in the economy that residential housing is down and the City has not received any new residential developments since approximately 2005. He said staff has seen several parcels of land that were zoned for high-density residential be converted to commercial and office developments, mainly along Pentagon Boulevard. Mr. McGrath discussed the approved plan for the hospital, and what amenities it will have. He explained the focus lately has been near the I-675 and North Fairfield area and the I-675 and Indian Ripple Road area. He discussed how well The Greene project is developing, and said it has been a success for the developer.

He explained staff has had some discussion about regional identity with Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission in terms of their "Going Places" initiative. Mr. McGrath stated Beaver Creek is a benchmark in which other communities are comparing themselves to, and said a lot of that has to do with the school system,

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the amenities that are available, and the location of Beavercreek. He said Beavercreek has a regional draw for people coming into our community, and felt there was an opportunity to create more local focus near the Dayton-Xenia Road corridor. Mr. McGrath discussed several amenities that they have been looking at incorporating into the City to draw citizens to Beavercreek. He talked about the joint partnership between Beavercreek Township and Beavercreek City regarding the Parks Master Plan.

#### Safe Schools/Dare Grant Update

John Turner, Police Chief, said he was giving an update on two specific grants. The first grant was a Community Policing Grant for a total of \$720,000 that was going to be used for upgrading the security cameras at the schools. He explained the grant was going to give the police internet access to review the cameras from the dispatch center and the police vehicles. Chief Turner stated unfortunately they did not receive the grant.

He stated the second grant was the annual DARE Grant, which the City received \$23,000. Chief Turner said Officer Don Cole is the DARE officer and does a great job. He said they were notified in September that they were receiving the grant and they have already received the money.

Chief Turner stated that he spoke with Officer David Majercak, School Resource Officer, and he is planning on staying with the police department for a least another year and a half. He explained they recently installed an antenna for radio reception inside the school and is still working with the IT Department on it.

#### 9/11 Memorial

Mr. Cornell, City Manager, stated this is a recently new concept of a 9/11 Memorial potentially in the City of Beavercreek. He explained he was approached by Marc Marderosian to look at the concept of maybe the City of Beavercreek receiving some material remains from the 9/11 disaster back in 2001 and permanently displacing those materials in a memorial site. Mr. Cornell discussed the letters from the multiple partnerships and the preliminary memorial drawing, and said the preliminary site is next to Fire Station #62 on Dayton-Xenia Road. He said a letter has been submitted by Marc Marderosian's son to the Port Authority in New York, New York and the City is waiting for a response if it is favorable or not. Mr. Cornell explained everyone who has become aware of this concept has been in favor and looks at it as an outstanding opportunity for our community.

#### Roundtable Discussion

Mr. Petrak stated when he talks to someone new in the community, he asks what brings them here, and they always say the schools. He stated the school board has made this community what it is.

Mr. Nels stated he does believe we have remarkable schools, but they have remarkable teachers, administrators and he thought the big difference is because of the people in our community, the parents, and the highly educated work force. He said the involvement the parents have with their children and the interest makes a large difference. Mr. Nels explained he was recently challenged by the outside appearance of the schools, and stated his comment was it is not about what's on the outside but what's on the inside of those buildings that really matters and the same concept with the homes in Beavercreek. He thought it was a combination of those reasons that Beavercreek has been so fortunate to have the great schools they do.

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Mr. Petrak MOVED to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. seconded by Mr. Hadley. Motion was PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

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Julie Vann, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deputy Clerk