

**Ashtabula City Municipal Building)
City of Ashtabula, Ohio)**

Monday, March 17, 2014

Call to Order

Council met in a **REGULAR MEETING**. The President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Opening Ceremony (Prayer/Pledge/Moment of Silence)

Pastor Doug Wright of First Baptist Church offered the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Mr. August A. Pugliese (Ward 2 Councilor)
Mrs. Josephine Misener (Ward 4 Councilor)
Mr. Kris E. Hamrick (Ward 5 Councilor)
Mr. Richard F. Balog (Ward 1 Councilor)
Mr. Christopher J. McClure (Vice President)
Mr. J. P. Ducro IV (President)

Member(s) Absent: Mrs. Alice T. Cook (Ward 3 Councilor)

Officer(s) Present: Mr. James M. Timonere (City Manager)
Mr. Michael Franklin (City Solicitor)
Mrs. Dana D. Pinkert (Finance Director)
Mrs. LaVette E. Hennigan, MMC (Clerk of Council)

Officer(s) Absent: None

Excused Absence: Mr. Hamrick moved, Mrs. Misener seconded to excuse the Ward 3 Councilor from this meeting; motion CARRIED.

Sunshine Law: The Clerk of Council certified conformity to the Sunshine Law.

Presentations:

The President said it was his honor and privilege to make the following resolution presentation to Kyle; and that, "As a representative of the City of Ashtabula, I want to say you represent our City, our community, and our schools in such a wonderful fashion. Everybody that I know, that has known you, has said nothing but wonderful things – not only about your athletic achievement, but your academics and just the quality of person that you are." Lakeside High School (LHS) Athletic Director Mr. Greg Zannelli and LHS Wrestling Coach Mr. James Brady, Jr. stood with Kyle when he accepted the resolution, and family members and supporters were in attendance.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-36

**A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING
KYLE BRAXTON CONEL
FOR PLACING 1ST IN THE
2014 OHIO HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION 1
INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT**

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of this City Council and these Public Officials of the City of Ashtabula, Ohio, that the 2014 Ohio High School Division 1 Individual State Wrestling Tournament took place on February 27, February 28, and March 1, at Schottenstein Center in Columbus, Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, represented were 94 Division 1 schools, with a total of 224 wrestlers – 16 in the 195 pound bracket, with Lakeside High School finishing 16th overall in the state; and,

WHEREAS, Lakeside High School Senior, Kyle Braxton Conel, has wrestled in grades 7th through 12th; placing 4th in state in the 8th grade, 2nd in state in the 11th grade, and 1ST IN STATE THIS YEAR. Noteworthy are the other titles Kyle has earned: 4x Howland Invitational Tournament Champion, 2012 Ashland Bookmasters’s Tournament Champion, 2x Premier Athletic Conference Tournament Champion, 3x Kenston Invitational Tournament Champion, 2x Sectional Champion, and 2x District Champion; He has a 53-0 record for 2014 and Career record of 165-21; and,

WHEREAS, Kyle Braxton Conel has not only excelled in athletics but academics also, with a current grade point average (GPA) of 3.85; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Council and these Public Officers of the City of Ashtabula, Ohio, that we do acknowledge and salute Lakeside High School Senior, Kyle Braxton Conel, for his more than outstanding accomplishments and 2014 State Wrestling Champion victory. Kyle, you have earned a place on the list of persons in and from Ashtabula who have done great things in the world. Thank you for representing Lakeside High School, the City of Ashtabula, and today’s youth extraordinarily.

ADOPTED: _____

ATTEST: _____

LaVette E. Hennigan
CLERK OF COUNCIL

J.P. Ducro IV
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____

James M. Timonere
CITY MANAGER

Christopher J. McClure
VICE-PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Michael Franklin
CITY SOLICITOR

Dana D. Pinkert
CITY AUDITOR

Rick F. Balog

August A. Pugliese

WARD 1 COUNCILOR

Alice T. Cook
WARD 3 COUNCILOR

WARD 2 COUNCILOR

Josephine Misener
WARD 4 COUNCILOR

Kris E. Hamrick
WARD 5 COUNCILOR

Kyle thanked God for his athletic abilities, his mom for always being there, his coaches for their support, and his former Wrestling Coach Mr. Jerry Brady ‘for being there through everything’. He said he is going to try and get another championship at National’s scheduled for April 4, 5, and 6. He thanked everyone for coming out today, the community and city. He said, “I’ve had nothing but great things come from the people – it’s awesome, and I really appreciate it”. Director Zannelli said, “Thank you Kyle, and thank you all”.

2. The Ward 4 Councilor presented Ms. Christine Seuffert the following resolution on Mrs. Karen Flack’s behalf:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-41

**A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
KAREN FLACK**

WHEREAS, it is with honor that this City Council and these Public Officials of the City of Ashtabula, Ohio give Very Special Recognition to Mrs. Karen Flack; and,

WHEREAS, thirty (30) years ago Mrs. Flack (known to the community as KAREN FLACK), arrived in Ashtabula from Cleveland, moved to East 6th Street, and has maintained the same residence ever since; and,

WHEREAS, Karen Flack has loved the City of Ashtabula with all her heart, her soul, and her mind, and was a regular at ALL meetings of the City Council for years; and,

WHEREAS, Karen Flack is known for her tenacity in doing her part to beautify our fair City and to hold citizens accountable to ‘do the right thing’ by following City ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, Karen Flack spent ten-plus years working on her hands and knees, with her own gardening tools and funds, beautifying South Park – a hobby and community service which she loved; her creativity and love for nature could be seen throughout our community in garden club activities; and

WHEREAS, Karen Flack also served on various volunteer committees, including an Ashtabula City Charter Committee and the Mission Statement Committee, which committee successfully drafted the first ever official City of Ashtabula Mission Statement – that being: OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND PARTNER WITH OUR CITIZENS, BUSINESSES AND NEIGHBORS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL WHO LIVE IN AND VISIT ASHTABULA. Karen Flack is the epitome of our mission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this City Council and these Public Officers of the City of Ashtabula, Ohio, do bestow our **UTMOST APPRECIATION** for Mrs. Karen Flack’s tireless and all-consuming love, dedication, and commitment to the City of Ashtabula. Karen Flack, **THANK YOU!**

ADOPTED: _____

ATTEST: _____

LaVette E. Hennigan
CLERK OF COUNCIL

J.P. Ducro IV
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____

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Kris E. Hamrick
Ward 5 Councilor

Ms. Seuffert commented, “Karen sends her regrets that she is unable to attend this evening, and is appreciative of all who contributed to this recognition. For those of you who do not know Karen, she is a passionate woman. She’s passionate about her family, her friends, her art, and her community. She sees so much potential in Ashtabula and has, and will, challenge all comers to clean up, fix up, and quit making excuses. It doesn’t matter if you’re a city official, a business owner, whether you are wealthy or not, if you ignore or violate city ordinances you will be on her list until the situation improves. Karen is not one to talk about what needs to be done, but rather one who gets things done, as has been mentioned in her resolution. She walks the talk. While many may ask why does she care – she cares because it is her civic duty, and ours, to change our course. Karen works tirelessly to improve our city and our schools for all of us. For her efforts, I will be greatly and eternally grateful to her.”

Ms. Casey (Catherine) Kozlowski-Nichols, Perry, OH: thanked Kyle for being an example, by which she lives her life. She said she is a Perry, OH wrestling mother and follows wrestling. She invited Kyle and his mother to the Perry wrestling banquet, and they honored her invitation. She said Kyle and about 1000 other young men who were in Columbus gave her inspiration. She said, “Way to go kid, you deserve everything you got tonight”.

Mrs. Misener moved, Mr. Balog seconded to adopt the resolutions; motion CARRIED.

Executive Session

On behalf of the City Manager, the President entertained a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss (Personnel – Employment). Mr. McClure moved, Mr. Balog seconded, to convene an Executive Session for the stated purpose. On the roll call to convene an Executive Session: Mr. Pugliese, Mrs. Misener, Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Balog, Mr. McClure, Mr. Ducro IV voted yea; motion CARRIED. All persons on the dais convened into the session.

Reconvene Open Meeting: The President announced the public portion reconvened.

Action resulting from Executive Session: The President reported no action required.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is a means whereby Council is able to more efficiently conduct business by grouping like items together and disposing/enacting them by one motion, second and vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The Clerk of Council presented the **March 3, 2014 Regular Meeting** minutes for disposal. Mr. Balog moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to waive the reading of the minutes; motion CARRIED. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved as presented.

FORMAL LEGISLATION REQUESTS - None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Consent Agenda Legislation Only) – None

LEGISLATION READING

ORDINANCE

2014-35 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS WITH GIANGOLA INSURANCE AGENCY, INC. FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS CONSULTING SERVICES. (City Manager)

ORDINANCE

2014-40 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CONNEAUT TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INTERNET SERVICES. (City Manager)

Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to waive the reading of the legislation; motion CARRIED. Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded to waive the Charter requirement of two readings. On the roll call to waived the Charter requirement of two readings: Mr. Pugliese, Mrs. Misener, Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Balog, Mr. McClure, Mr. Ducro IV voted yea; motion CARRIED. On the roll call to adopt the legislation: Mr. Pugliese, Mrs. Misener, Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Balog, Mr. McClure, Mr. Ducro IV voted yea; motion CARRIED.

(END OF CONSENT AGENDA)

REGULAR AGENDA

READING AND DISPOSAL OF MEETING MINUTES - None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Tax Abatements

The City Manager requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-37 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MODIFICATION OF A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH MK2 PROPERTIES, LLC, IN ORDER TO REFLECT A NEW TENANT AND REVISED EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL ESTIMATES, (Former location of Medicine Shoppe now Port Conneaut Credit Union). Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Balog seconded to grant the Manager's request; motion CARRIED.

The City Manager requested ORDINANCE NO. 2014-38 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH ASHTABULA CBOC, LLC, FOR TAX ABATEMENT AT 50% FOR 10 YEARS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WEST 19TH STREET & LAMBROS LANE IN THE CITY OF ASHTABULA. (Department of Veterans Affairs Community based out-patient clinic). Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Balog seconded to grant the Manager's request. The Manager explained CRAs are tax abatements. The owners of this project requested 50% abatement. Another percentage option is 75%, which requires School Board approval, which the owners declined. The motion CARRIED.

Board of Health

The City Manager requested the reappointment of Mr. Terence Guerriero as a member of the Board of Health effective May 2, 2014 with a term to expire on May 1, 2019. Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded, to grant the Manager's request; motion CARRIED.

The City Manager requested the reappointment of Ms. Ruth Simon as a member of the Board of Health effective May 2, 2014 with a term to expire on May 1, 2019. Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Hamrick seconded, to grant the Manager's request; motion CARRIED.

The City Manager requested the reappointment of Ms. Christine Seuffert as a member of the Board of Health effective April 29, 2014 with a term to expire on April 30, 2019. Mr. Pugliese moved, Mr. Balog seconded, to grant the Manager's request; motion CARRIED.

Architectural & Restoration Review Board

The City Manager announced the appointment of Ms. Kathy Presciano to the Architectural & Restoration Review Board effective immediately with a term to expire on February 2, 2015.

CITY SOLICITOR'S REPORT - No Report

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

February Financials: The Finance Director reported the City was operating within appropriated expenditure and revenue budgets.

Property Taxes: The Finance Director reported the first half properties taxes were received and will boost the General Fund balance.

Questions/Comments for Finance Director

Salt: The Ward 2 Councilor asked how much was spent on salt this winter. The Manager responded we are close to exceeding 3000 tons at \$38.65 per ton. This includes purchases for dome loading in November 2013.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS and COMMUNICATIONS

Community/Economic Development/Parks & Recreation (Mrs. Misener/Mr. McClure)

The Chair reported on the committee's March 10, meeting, as following:

Ms. Tina Bihlajama, Ashtabula Downtown Development Association (ADDA) Administrative Director announced the upcoming events:

Downtown Laughs: Friday and Saturday, March 21/22, 6:00 p.m., Casa Capelli Restaurant, \$30 per ticket; City Manager, Council President, Finance Director are performing;

Eggstravaganza: Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday April 19, Kevin M. Cornelius Memorial Park. Volunteers are needed, for more details call 966-4418;

Banner Program: Seasonal banners will be placed on Main Avenue poles;

Flowers and Pots: Main Avenue flower and pot donations are welcome; Planting volunteers are needed; and

Multicultural Festival: Saturday and Sunday, July 26/27, Kevin M. Cornelius Memorial Park.

Streetscape Project: ADDA asked Council for a resolution of support for the project (a.k.a. McKnight Plan). Before Council is able to do so ADDA must formally approve the finalized plan.

Shea's Theatre Restoration: A lot of things have to fall into place in order for this restoration project to become a reality. Time is not on our side given the condition of the building. Funding is a challenge, but if the right people come forward to partner in securing grant funding it would be more feasible. A committee needs to be formed to

help with this project. According to recent emails an attorney and a few others, even some outside our community, have offered their support. Persons interested in becoming involved in this project may contact Ms. Roberta Madar-Pruett @ 994-9221.

Ashtabula Township Park Commission (ATPC): Mr. Michael Wayman, ATPC Chair, gave a review of their completed and upcoming projects. He reported on grants they were not awarded, and that a grant was approved for the construction of a pedestrian bridge underneath the Smolen Covered Bridge, located on State Road. They have two years to spend the funding. Grants to enhance Indian Trails were also discussed.

Ashtabula City Parks & Recreation (P&R) Board

Playground Equipment: The Chair said Mr. Earl Tucker, P&R Board Chair, reported to the committee the Board seeks support for their recommendation to put the playground equipment, given to the City by the Ashtabula Area City Schools (due to school closings), in Clifford Kadon Presidential Park (CKPP), located on West 58th Street. The Chair entertained a motion to grant the Board's recommendation of support, Mr. Hamrick seconded; motion CARRIED. Walnut Beach, Smith Field, and CKPP are the three major City parks. The installation of this equipment will bring playground facilities to the southern portion of city, which is sorely lacking due to the closure and demolition of McKinsey and Chestnut Elementary Schools. In order to properly install the equipment, the company from whom the equipment was originally purchased will provide a representative to assist. Funding is required in order to move forward; and hopefully the summer will yield results.

April Meeting: At the Board's April meeting, Ms. Karen Adair, from the Nature Conservancy will speak about Walnut Beach.

Kevin M. Cornelius Memorial (formerly North Park) & South Parks: These parks are located on the north and south ends of Main Avenue and need attention. Spring is coming, clean up will take place in these parks, and changes to them are included in the proposed Streetscape project.

Chairman Tucker's letter:

'03/11/2014

To Whom It May Concern,

As Chairperson of the Parks & Recreation Board I would like to convene an Ad Hoc Committee to make recommendations to the Board concerning South Park and Cornelius Park. I think that we can all agree that these two parks are the anchors of the downtown district and that improvements are needed in both parks. The purpose of the committee would be to meet, discuss and formulate a plan that the board could then place before City Council as our recommendations as to what should be done. The committee would consist of representatives of the Parks Board, Ashtabula City, ADDA and other concerned citizens. I feel that it should not

have more than 12 members as this should give us a good cross section of people throughout the city without becoming too unwieldy. At the suggestion of Sue Ducro I have also reached out to David Marrison from the Ashtabula County Extension Office for the assistance of members of the Master Gardeners group in regards to plantings in each park. Areas of primary concern would be:

1. What planting beds, shrubs or trees can be moved or removed while maintaining the aesthetics of each park.
2. Reducing the amount of maintenance needed to maintain each park.
3. Placement of the Peace Stone and Peace Pole in South Park.
4. What to do with the fountain in Cornelius Park.
5. Making each park compatible with the new Streetscape plan for Downtown.

I believe that the best interests of all will be served by participation, from as many outlooks as is possible, so that we can reach a consensus as to what needs to be done. Please remember that this project will require the ability to compromise, from all, so that we can reach an equitable plan. Please forward to me the names of anyone interested, along with their contact information. I would hope to begin this process early in April. I can be reached by at 536-5536.

Miscellaneous

Ashtabula County Chamber of Commerce (ACCC): Once a month ACCC hosts a morning networking event for member businesses. This month Goodwill Industries, 621 Goodwill Drive, will host the event on Thursday, March 20, at 8:00 a.m. RSVPs requested to 998-6998.

Ribbon Cutting: O'Reilly's Auto Parks, Route 20 & West Avenue, Friday, March 28 @ 10:00 a.m.

Questions and/or Comments for Committee

Saving History of Ashtabula: The President announced the group has a Park-to-Park clean up scheduled for Saturday, May 24, from 9:00 a.m. until crews go home.

Finance and Personnel - (Mr. Ducro IV/Mr. Balog)

The Chair reported on the committee's Friday, March 14, meeting, as follows:

The Finance Director reported:

Year-to-date Financials: were reviewed and all departments are working within their budget.

Joint Economic Development District (J.E.D.D.): The revenue is beginning to come in.

Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP): The note will mature in May; how to proceed was discussed. A Finance Department retirement is scheduled for the end of July.

Affirmative Action Policy: Human Resources/Payroll Administrator (HR/PA) Carolyn Sheldon told the committee the City's current policy is outdated. The Clerk of Council offered to obtain sample policies. The Manager, Solicitor, and the HR/PA will review the samples and make recommendations.

CRA Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC): The TIRC's annual report was reviewed and accepted. Mr. Ducro moved, Mr. Balog seconded, to formally request ORDINANCE NO. 2014-39 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF FOUR (4) EXISTING COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS UPON CONDITIONS AS INDICATED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL. (Burn's Kid's College, Lake City Plating Co., Inc., Water Street Warehouse, MK2 Properties (former tenant was Medicine Shoppe; new tenant is Port Conneaut Credit Union); motion CARRIED.

Ohio Ethics Commission (OEC) Financial Disclosure Filing: The Ward 2 Councilor issued a reminder that the filing deadline is April 15.

Road Salt: The Manager provided an update on our supply and purchasing.

Public Works 3rd Shift: will continue through March.

Comprehensive Paving Project: The Manager is working on this project, will report on in the near future, and hopes to begin paving in June.

Snow Plow Trucks: The (2) new trucks we purchased last year have not yet been received (*from the company who was hired to outfit them*). State Purchasing pricing was discussed.

Questions and/or Comments for Committee

Snow Plow Trucks: The Ward 4 Councilor asked why the trucks have not been received. The Manager said he does not know if there really is an excuse. He has been in constant communication with Concord Road Equipment, who has had the trucks since October to outfit them with snow equipment. Rush International, from whom the trucks were purchased, completed them on time. Word has been received that the outfitting has not yet begun. The Councilor asked if we have any leverage. The Manager said no, not with State Purchasing, but that they are aware of his displeasure. He said if a resolution is not provided, the trucks will be picked up and another company will be found to do the work.

Public Works/Utilities/Schools – (Mr. McClure/Mr. Pugliese)

Meeting Announcement: The committee's March meeting was cancelled due to a light agenda. The committee is scheduled to meet again on Friday, April 4, at 8:00 a.m.

Safety Forces – (Mr. Balog/Mrs. Misener)

Meeting Announcement: The Chair announced the committee is scheduled to meet on Friday, March 21, at 8:00 a.m.

Police Levy Community Q&A Sessions

The Chair announced the Q&A sessions on the 2.5 mil Police Levy scheduled for the May 6 Primary Election ballot, are scheduled for March 25 @ St Peter’s Church), 26 @ People’s Baptist), and 27 @ Zion Lutheran, at 6:00 p.m. The Manager, Police Chief, and members of Council will be present to answer questions.

Work Session – No Session/No Report

FORMAL LEGISLATION REQUESTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Regular Agenda Legislation Only) - None

LEGISLATION READING

The Clerk of Council presented the following legislation:

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Downtown Laughs: The President announced this event is an Ashtabula Downtown Development Association (ADDA) fundraiser scheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 6:45 p.m., Show at 8:00 p.m. He said it is a nice event for a good cause, and encouraged attendance.

Council Chambers Sound System: The Ward 2 Councilor asked if there was a technical problem this evening The Manager said he received word there was static and will keep checking the equipment connections.

GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING: N/A

ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

CLOSING REMARKS

St. Patrick's Day: The President wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Inspiration Quotes: The President announced he wanted to add "a little something to the meeting", and plans to regularly do so. He shared a few inspirational quotes, the theme of which was [attitude]. He said, "I think it's tremendous the positive energy and attitude that we have with a lot of the people that are leaders in our City, both as heads of departments and certainly our elected officials. And, I very grateful to be working with all them. And, I think a big part of that success is their positive attitude. "

Quotes:

“The greatest discovery of my generation is a human being can alter his life by altering his attitude.” William James

“Attitudes are contagious; is yours worth catching”. Dennis & Wendy Batering

“Happiness is an attitude. We can either make ourselves miserable or happy or strong – the amount of work is always the same.”

“So my message this evening is to just remember life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you approach it. So, you’re in charge of your attitude and that could make all the difference in the world.

Next Regular Meeting: The President announced the next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7, at 7:00 p.m., Pre-Council at 6:00 p.m.

Tag: Remember to keep believing in Ashtabula

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hamrick moved, Mr. Pugliese seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: **April 21, 2014**

ATTESTED BY: _____
J. P. Ducro IV
President of Council

ATTESTED BY: _____
LaVette E. Hennigan, MMC
Clerk of Council