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Huber Heights City Council

Held in Council Chambers January 29 1996
6131 Taylorsville Road

- 1. The Huber Heights City Council met in joint session with the Huber Heights Board of Education on January 29, 1996 in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Mayor Jack Hensley and President Robert Finch, Presiding Officers.
- 2. The Invocation was given by Pastor Lee Anglin, City Council Chaplain, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chair.
- 3. Council members present for this meeting were Mayor Hensley, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Craven, Mrs. Kaleps, Mr. Scott, Mrs. Slagle, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Vargo. Board members present for this meeting were President Finch, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Howlett, Mr. Slagle and Mrs. Studebaker.

Also present for this meeting was Mr. Pierce, City Manager; Mr. Burke, School Superintendent; Mr. D'Amico, Police Chief; and Mr. Schrader, Planning & Development Coordinator.

4. New Business

- A. Mr. Pierce introduced the issue of the City's intent to "hold harmless" the City School District regarding property taxes as affected by the City's acquisition of the Ohio Suburban water and wastewater system. He indicated that the mechanics of how this is done is not really as important as the commitment that the City has made. After some discussion, it was decided to establish a Special Joint Committee of both Council and Board members to try to finalize such a process. Dr. Finch and Mr. Howlett agreed to represent the Board and Mr. Scott and Mrs. Slagle agreed to represent the Council and a meeting time of 10:00 P.M. this evening was set for their initial session.
- B. Mr. Pierce provided a brief highlight of the City's tax abatement program with Mr. Schrader presenting a detailed status report of the companies and dollars involved in each of the projects included in this program. Mr. Finch indicated they are anxious to sit down with the City in April to begin discussing the effects of the tax sharing agreement on 1994 projects. Mr. Burke suggested that representatives of both Administrations meet first to prepare a report for both the Council and Board review. April 23, 1996 was the date established to finalize the tax sharing calculations.
- C. Mr. Pierce introduced the topic of the future development by the City and the School District of both the Standpipe Park and Wildview Park sites. Mr. Burke detailed the location of both sites and presented an initial attempt to Master Plan these areas for the use of both entities. During the discussion it was decided that the City Planning Commission and the Board of Parks and Recreation would both be brought into the formulation of these Master Plans at the beginning of the process.
- D. Chief D'Amico reported on the meetings of the Citizen Committee studying the parking situation in the areas adjacent to Wayne High School. He briefly described the results of the four sessions held since August 16, 1995, citing an improvement in these areas as to less litter and less congestion. The Committee believes it is still premature to go forward with a parking permit program. The Committee will meet again in the spring.

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- E. Mr. Burke presented a report on the new housing construction proposed for the area within the School District and the effect they feel this development will have on their current facilities. The School Administration is projecting approximately 1,000 to 2,000 new students because of these developments spread out over approximately nine years.
- F. Mr. Roy Berger, representing the School District, provided an update report on the Huber Heights Juvenile Court Program listing the current operating statistics from 9-11-95 to 1-27-96.
- G. Mr. Burke explained the School Board's proposed replacement levy that is on the primary election ballot in March. Ms. Cheryl Dale advised Council of the promotional activities that will occur on behalf of the levy.

6. Officials Reports and Comments

A. School Board:

- (1) Mr. Slagle thanked Council for the opportunity to meet with then and indicated he was glad that there will be a joint committee meeting tonight on the "hold harmless" issue.
- (2) Mr. Fisher said he feels we are finally at the point to have some closure on the topics we discussed tonight.
- (3) Mr. Howlett listed recreational activities that are conducted on the various school ground within the District and urged a solution to the "hold harmless" issue.
- (4) Mrs. Studebaker said she is glad we are able to meet with City Council and that there has been a committee established for the "hold harmless" issue. She said she feels better about this issue after tonight's discussion, but she will feel much better once it is signed.
- (5) Dr. Finch encouraged all the Citizens to support the school levy on the March ballot.

B. City Council:

- (1) Mr. Scott said it was a pleasure to be together tonight and that we all need to remember this is a two-way street as we both try to make Huber Heights a better place in which to live for everyone.
- (2) Mrs. Kaleps echoed her appreciation for the opportunity for everyone to get together.
- (3) Mr. Craven thanked everyone who made presentations this evening.
- (4) Mrs. Vargo said she believes we are continuing to move forward and that we have always been in the right direction. It just makes sense for us to work together.
- (5) Mr. Campbell noted that the City has been able to attract quite a few new businesses into the community and said he would like to publicly thank the School Board for their cooperation in these efforts.

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- (6) Mrs. Smith stated that overall she thinks this has been a very informative and amenable meeting tonight and that we are finally reaching accord on some of the issues before us.
- (7) Mrs. Slagle noted that one thing we have in common with everyone is that we are all taxpayers. We have certainly found that we are intertwined in many issues even though we are separate entities.
- (8) Mrs. Turner said she believes the schools have come a long way and that it is important to keep our lines of communication open.
- (9) Mayor Hensley thanked everyone for being so attentive and prompt this evening.
- There being no further business to come before this Council, the Chairs adjourned the meeting at 9:56 P.M.

Mayor

Clerk of Council

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