

The swearing-in ceremonies of the Council of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio, following the 2007 municipal election was held on December 3, 2007. Mayor Robert J. Buckman, Jr. called the meeting to order in Council Chambers at 6:30 PM.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Buckman led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilman Rick Bryan, Mayor Robert Buckman, Councilman Lee Czerwonka, Councilman Henry Stacey, Councilwoman Stephanie Stoller, Councilman James Sumner, and Vice Mayor Mark Weber

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager David Waltz, Solicitor Mark Vander Laan, Clerk of Council Jamie Eifert, Deputy Clerk of Council Sue Bennett, Treasurer/Administrative Services Director James Pfeffer, Service Director Dennis Albrinck, Fire Chief Rick Brown, Police Chief Chris Wallace, Deputy Treasurer/Tax Commissioner Sherry Poppe, Human Resources Officer Margaret Main, Facilities Maintenance Superintendent Tom Murphy, Economic Development Director Judy Clark, Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Osler, Secretary Debbie Wallace, Secretary Lynne Latham, Deputy Solicitor Bryan Pacheco, and interested citizens

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Councilman Bryan moved, Councilwoman Stoller seconded to accept the agenda. A voice vote was taken. All members present voted yes. Motion carried.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. OPENING CEREMONIES
3. ROLL CALL - Clerk of Council Jamie K. Eifert
4. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
5. OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONIES – COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES – Oaths of Office administered to members of Council Elect by State Representative James Raussen
6. Resolution No. 2007-16, making Councilmanic appointments (Mayor, Vice Mayor, Planning Commission Council rep)
7. OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY FOR MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND PLANNING COMMISSION COUNCIL REP – Oath administered by State Representative James Raussen
8. Ordinance No. 2007-63, appointing a City Solicitor
9. OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY FOR CITY SOLICITOR – Oath administered by State Representative James Raussen
10. Resolution No. 2007-17, establishing committees of Council
11. Resolution No. 2007-18, appointing Council representatives to various boards (Investment Board, OKI Board of Trustees, and Sycamore School Planning Commission)
12. ADJOURNMENT

(A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONIES IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS)

Pastor Wendell Mettey of Blue Ash based Mathew 25: Ministries presented an invocation.

OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONIES – COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES – Oaths of Office administered to members of Council Elect by State Representative James Raussen

State Representative James T. Raussen administered Oaths of Office to members of Council Elect, including James W. Sumner (Ward 1), Stephanie Stoller (Ward 2), Rick Bryan (Ward 3), Robert J. Buckman, Jr. (Ward 4), Mark F. Weber (Ward 5), Henry S. Stacey (At Large), and Lee Czerwonka (At Large).

The Clerk of Council was asked to read Resolution No. 2007-16 by title only.

THEN WAS PRESENTED AND READ BY TITLE ONLY:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-16

MAKING COUNCILMANIC APPOINTMENTS: ROBERT J. BUCKMAN, JR. - MAYOR; MARK F. WEBER - VICE MAYOR; AND JAMES W. SUMNER - PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilman Sumner moved, Councilman Bryan seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2007-16. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll. Councilpersons Stoller, Sumner, Weber, Stacey, Czerwonka, Bryan, and Mayor Buckman voted yes. Seven yeases. Resolution No. 2007-16 passed.

State Representative Raussen administered the Oath of Office individually to Mayor Robert Buckman, Vice Mayor Mark Weber, and Planning Commission member James Sumner.

The Clerk was asked to read Ordinance No. 2007-63 by title only.

THEN WAS PRESENTED AND READ BY TITLE ONLY:

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-63

APPOINTING A SOLICITOR AND PROVIDING FOR HIS REMUNERATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Sumner moved, Councilwoman Stoller seconded to suspend the rules of Council requiring a second reading of the ordinance. The Clerk called the roll. Councilpersons Sumner, Weber, Stacey, Czerwonka, Bryan, Stoller, and Mayor Buckman voted yes. Seven yeases. Motion carried.

Councilman Sumner moved, Councilman Bryan seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-63. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll. Councilpersons Weber, Stacey, Czerwonka, Bryan, Stoller, Sumner, and Mayor Buckman voted yes. Seven yeases. Ordinance No. 2007-63 passed.

State Representative Raussen administered the Oath of Office to Solicitor Mark A. Vander Laan.

The Clerk of Council was asked to read Resolution No. 2007-17 in its entirety.

THEN WAS PRESENTED AND READ IN ITS ENTIRETY:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-17

ESTABLISHING THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL AND APPOINTING THE MEMBERS THEREOF

Councilwoman Stoller moved, Councilman Stacey seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2007-17. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll. Councilpersons Stacey, Czerwonka, Bryan, Stoller, Sumner, Weber, and Mayor Buckman voted yes. Seven yeases. Resolution No. 2007-17 passed.

The Clerk of Council was asked to read Resolution No. 2007-18 in its entirety.

THEN WAS PRESENTED AND READ IN ITS ENTIRETY:

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-18

MAKING COUNCILMANIC APPOINTMENTS FOR THE
INVESTMENT BOARD, OKI BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND
SYCAMORE SCHOOL PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilman Weber moved, Councilwoman Stoller seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2007-18. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll. Councilpersons Czerwonka, Bryan, Stoller, Sumner, Weber, Stacey, and Mayor Buckman voted yes. Seven yeases. Resolution No. 2007-18 passed.

ADJOURNMENT

All items on the agenda having been acted upon, Councilman Sumner moved, Councilman Stacey seconded to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken. All members voted yes. The Council meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:52 PM.

A celebration of the swearing-in of the 2007-09 Council members was held in Council Chambers following the meeting.

Robert J. Buckman, Jr., Mayor

Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

MINUTES WRITTEN BY:

Susan K. Bennett, Deputy Clerk of Council