

Civil service Commission - no meeting for March

Parks & Rec - Met on 22 March instead of the 15th at 6:30. Both Councilmember Brown and myself were present along with Deputy City Manager Kellum, 3 committee members, Mr Tucker and Ms Adams. Visitors were stuffing the Easter eggs.

Items discussed were the Easter Egg Hunt (March 31, 2018), Mother Son dinner dance (May 19th, place to be determined), and the Farmer's Market (location still being determined).

Easter Egg hunt - donations still being accepted and volunteers are needed.

Mother Son Dance - will be an upscale version of Daddy Daughter dance. Thought was for it to be themed with the Mother's Day event. Mother's Day event is May 12th. Other info will be forthcoming.

Father's Day event - 16 Jun 18

Farmer's Market - major discussion of best location. Choices are John Wolf Park and Trotwood Foodtown parking lot. One of the vendors Renee Baker, Avon Distributor, was invited to speak on behalf of the vendors. She liked the idea of Foodtown but was against John Wolf Park. She would also like to see a permanent spot.

New business:

E waste day, 9 June, 10 am - 4:00 pm. Need a minimal volunteer commitment of one hour to staff during g those hours (board or staff)

Community garden - Five Rivers is willing to assist with tilling, seeds and education. Will probably use YouthWorks.

Board retreat is being discussed, will be in June.

Next meeting will be 19April 18

Respectfully submitted,

Vice Mayor Gales

**Councilman Robert L. Kelley, Jr.**

**Report for March, 2018**

- 1) The Trotwood Board of Zoning Appeals held a meeting on Thursday, March 7, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., at the Trotwood-Madison Board of Education Board Room. This was a make-up hearing because the one held the previous month (February) was cancelled due to the lack of a sufficient quorum to facilitate.

The applicant requested a non-conforming exception to allow for the construction of a 1,728 square foot metal barn at 5227 N. Union Road. This would be an accessory to an existing single-family residence. This would be a replacement barn built in the space where the previous barn was torn down. The reason for the appeal was because the previous barn was zoned for agricultural use only; however, it is now zoned for residential use only. The applicant stated three (3) reasons for garage usage: a) heated portion to work on cars, b) park truck in, and c) storage. The appeal was approved for these reasons by a unanimous vote of all three Board members.

- 2) After the Zoning Appeals Board Meeting, Mr. Steve Johnson, Chairman of the Appeals Board asked me to talk to the City Manager, Mr. Quincy Pope, regarding his neighborhood watch group not being able to receive any police monthly statistic and record report about his neighborhood. He appeared very concerned over this. I encouraged him to talk to the City Manager, but I will still talk to him myself. I spoke to the City Manager a few days later and he told me that the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office had changed the software that had previously been used for that report. He went on to say that they are working on correcting this so that reports will be starting back. I thanked him for this information and encouraged him to talk to Mr. Johnson about the matter.

- 3) I received a copy of a letter of complaint from a Trotwood resident who resides on Runyon Avenue. Her letter of complaint was addressed to Mayor McDonald, with copies to Chief Eric Wilson, Trotwood Police, and Mr. Matt Heck, Jr., Montgomery County Prosecutor, and me. Her letter expressed discontent with drug use and drug activity on her street, which according to her, has been going on for some time. I initially spoke to Chief Wilson to get an understanding of his perception of the problem and to find out

what has been done on his end. Chief Wilson explained he had communicated with the resident and referred the complaint to his DayWatch supervisor and his narcotics detective to follow up on. He said he will personally monitor this problem, as needed.

I went on to consult with the person who wrote the complaint. The resident still expressed concern because she has not physically seen much improvement. I encouraged her and her neighbors to continue to communicate with Chief Wilson, the DayWatch supervisor and the narcotics detective as much as necessary. I also advised, if necessary, not to hesitate to call the City Manager and request a one-on-one meeting with him if there isn't any improvement. I assured her they are good public servants who will eventually dispose of the drug activity on her street.

- 4) I attended a special meeting with representatives of Catapult Creative on March 17, 2018. They reviewed and constructed their comprehensive plan of re-branding and illustrating the methods they intend to use to move the City of Trotwood forward with progressive growth. It was a very good meeting!
- 5) March 20, 2018, I attended the Community Celebration for the Trotwood Undefeated Football Team. The team and coaches were given championship rings for Trotwood High School's state title. Councilwoman Yvette Page and I were invited by Vice Mayor Gales to assist in presenting the team and school with a Proclamation from the Mayor and City Council. It was a great event.
- 6) Also on March 20, 2018, I participated in the Trotwood-Madison Educational Foundation teleconference meeting at 8:30 p.m. This was my first meeting and contact with that group. They discussed a range of topics as follows:
  - a) Reviewed bank statements from Key Bank and Dayton Foundation.
  - b) Updating their website, which is being developed or updated by a student at Trotwood High School. The T-M Educational Foundation Committee will determine the amount of the stipend to give the student.
  - c) Discussed Conflict of Interest Forms and advised all committee members to fill them out and turn them back in.
  - d) Discussed the Trotwood High School Football Championship Rings which were given out earlier that evening to the players and coaches at the school.

- e) Some of the members of the committee had met with the Dayton Foundation and had lunch with them. At the meeting they were presented with a new Event Policy for The Dayton Foundation and it is being reviewed by members.
  - f) The group discussed the Trotwood-Madison Educational Foundation Gala dinner. It will be held Friday, May 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Meadowbrook of Clayton, 6001 Salem Avenue, Clayton, Ohio. The tickets are \$45 per person.
- 7) On March 23, 2018, the Corinthian Baptist Church was presented with a Proclamation for deceased Deacon Alvin Freeman, who was eulogized that day. The Proclamation was presented from the Mayor and City Council of Trotwood in remembrance of the life he lead and the many people he touched. I delivered the Proclamation to the church secretary.

###

*Trotwood City Councilmember*  
***RHONDA C. FINLEY***  
*March 2018 Council Report*

---

FY18 Key focus: Commercial Vacant Property. City's Vacant Property legislation under review. The goal is to enhance legislation incorporating best practices from other municipalities. Primary areas of concerns: Salem Avenue/Shiloh Springs/Denlinger corridor including Consumer Square, former mall, Best Buy, Sears and Walmart sites.

**Citizen and Business Outreach:**

- Facilitated meeting for City Manager, local business owner and citizens to discuss customer service in Trotwood.
- Addressed citizens' request for information pertaining to roadway (pothole) concerns, litter, and job opportunities in Trotwood.
- Forwarded twelve (12) letters, returned seven (7) citizen/business calls for assistance and information. Provided applications for citizens interested in serving on boards.
- Referred three (3) investors to City economic development contact. Interest in starting a business in the City of Trotwood continues to grow.
- Met group of residents at John Wolfe Park on Sunday, March 18 to learn about developments/upgrades taking place. Trotwood citizens and neighboring residents from Dayton, Riverside and Jefferson Twp. contacted me to inquire about what was happening at the site and when the project is to be completed. The group is extremely excited and looking forward to enjoying the upgrades to the fishing pond, water feature and new shelters at the site which is slated to be complete this summer 2018!
- Supported local business Dayton Dance Workshop. The Dayton Dance Workshop Inc. (DDW) has committed to keeping art – and its benefits – accessible to the families in Trotwood and beyond. One of the many goals of the DDW is to ensure that every family in Trotwood who has a desire to experience the arts also has the opportunity to do so. Their 2018 season will showcase a new workshop and production – “The Letter” – by Artistic Director Thomas L. Troutman. For more information about DDW contact Tamiko Troutman at (937) 619.3200.

**Planning Commission 2018 Meeting Calendar:**

Commission meets **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** monthly @ 6:00 p.m. at the Trotwood-Madison Board of Education Meeting Chambers, 3594 N Snyder Road, Trotwood, OH. For more information or to confirm monthly meeting will be held, call (937) 854.7216.

March 27 – No applications received for the month

*Trotwood City Councilmember*  
***RHONDA C. FINLEY***  
*March 2018 Council Report*

---

**Trotwood Madison Board of Education Meeting Calendar:**

School Board meets the monthly **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday** @ 6:30 p.m. at the Trotwood-Madison Board of Education Meeting Chambers, 3594 N Snyder Road, Trotwood, OH. For more information, call (937) 854.3050.

*The mission of the Trotwood-Madison City Schools is to graduate all students prepared to excel in a global society with a commitment to lifelong learning by guaranteeing a challenging curriculum facilitated by an innovative and dedicated staff, community participation and state-of-the-art resources in a stimulating atmosphere.*

To: Honorable Mayor Mary A. McDonald  
and Members of Trotwood City Council

From: Tyna R. Brown, City Council Member

Subject: Monthly Activity Period - March 2018

Date: March 27, 2018

The following is the activity/project report for the month of March 2018:

- ~ 2/28. Attended YMCA Annual Meeting (Parks and Recreation)
  - ~ Networking
- ~ 3/2. Attended Top 25 Women to Watch Gala
  - ~ Recognition of Mayor Mary McDonald
  - ~ Networking
- ~ 3/ 8. Attended YWCA 2018 Women of Influence
  - ~ Networking
- ~ 3/15. Park and Recreation Meeting rescheduled
- ~ 3/22. Park and Recreation Meeting
  - ~Scheduled events update
    - ~Easter Egg Hunt 3/31
    - ~Mayoral Mother's Day 5/12
    - ~ Mother Son Dance
      - ~ Confirming location by 3/29
  - ~Community Market new location discussion with input from a vendor
  - ~ Electronic Recycling event June 9, 2018
  - ~Presented to the board source of communicating community events
  - ~Proposal to follow
- ~ 3/23. Met with Peter Hoshor, Board Member for Habitat for Humanity in regards to possible sites in the City of Trotwood. Meeting to be set with additional board members
- ~ 3/24. Attended Trotwood Madison Ram State Championship game in Columbus
- ~ 3/27. Attended Northgate Neighborhood Watch Meeting
  - ~ Open discussion with citizens addressing concerns and community updates.

## CITY COUNCIL MEMBER YVETTE PAGE REPORT

March 8, 2018 Willow Wood Apt Neighborhood Watch Meeting was cancelled

March 10, 2018 Shiloh Gardens Neighborhood Watch Meeting @11:30 a.m.

Meeting was conducted by Chief Erik Wilson. Mr. Long was there representing Fire and EMS

There were 10 citizens present. The information supplied by Chief Wilson was informative and helpful.

President, George Tyler was absent due to illness. I mailed him get well cards from the group and myself.

Overall meeting was great, citizen's participation was good. There were several concerns from the citizens present.

Stay tuned for further developments.

March 14, 2018 Elected Officials Program 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM Yankee Trace Golf Club, given by Yolanda Stephens,

And Miami Valley Communications Council. Meeting documents are located on line. Certificate of Completion

Will be submitted to Deputy Clerk of Council David Young.

March 20, 2018 Community Celebration Trotwood Madison Championship Ring Ceremony held @ Trotwood High School.

March 25, 2018 Took the Course on The Sunshine Laws Training. Certificate of Completion will be submitted to Deputy Clerk  
Of Council David Young

March 27, 2018 Planning Commission (Advisory) no meeting planned

March 28, 2018 First Tier Suburbs Committee Meeting 5:15 pm 7:30 pm Host City Vandalia @ Vandalia Senior Citizen