

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

January 7, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Haver.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated by all present.

Present were: Council members, Ron Beverly, Mark Haver, Ron Jones, Mick Pocratsky, Mike Barth and Mike Headley; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk Treasurer Diane Collins. There were 6 people present.

Jones moved to approve the December 17, 2012 minutes. Haver seconded. Beverly abstained. Jones, Pocratsky, Headley, Barth & Haver voted yes.

Barth moved to approve the bills. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Jones nominated Mike Headley for council president. Haver seconded. Beverly moved to close the nominations. Barth seconded. All voted yes. Jones, Barth, Pocratsky and Haver voted yes. Headley abstained and Beverly voted no.

Bruce Guilford was on the agenda but called to cancel once he found out the items he needed to discuss were in the process of being taken care of. Essex stated he got the Old Mill Road Plat recorded today and he brought the South Columbus Street plat for Collins to sign and get recorded.

Planning Commission: David and Delores Michael requested a lot split at Lot 78 pt. Auditor's Plat, a/k/a 603 Antwerp Drive. Minutes of the December 20 hearing were passed out. The split was approved.

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 23, 2013 at 4 p.m. to consider a Conditional Use Permit at 211 Pearl Street, applied for by Ben Carnahan. He would like to operate a home bakery.

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 24, 2013 at 4 p.m. to consider a lot split at Auditor's Plat Lot 257 at Old Mill Road. Owners are Bruce and Debbie Guilford.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Barth reported a meeting has been set up for January 21 at 5 p.m. to go over ideas on separation. Barth reported that Jeff Rumble asked the committee's permission to take classes to obtain a Class III Operator's License. He stated all the village would need to pay for are the test fees and the application fee. Council seemed pleased at the interest and seemed very supportive. WWTP Superintendent, Ron Daniels was present and stated he also wants to take the Class III classes and testing. A Class II Operator's License is all that is needed to operate the plant right now. There was no explanation of how the Village would benefit having a Class III operator when asked. Ron Beverly suggested that it be clarified up front whether this will result in pay increases and if so how much. In the past a pay dispute occurred when a license was obtained without clarification of whether the council requested it or the employee just wanted to do it. The ordinance states there is a fifty cent per hour pay increase when a license is obtained. Miller pointed out that Rumble is paid hourly and Daniels is paid salary so they need to figure out how a pay increase would be handled for each of them. Beverly stated that would be for Miller to figure out. Rumble pointed out that there is a position established for a Class III operator hourly rate in the pay ordinance. It was pointed out, however, that Rumble is considered a Class I Laborer. Beverly moved that if Rumble passes the test it will result in a 50 cent per hour pay increase. Barth seconded. All voted yes. WTP Superintendent, Jessica Elson appeared and said today she was looking at options to get her Class III or Class IV license.

Barth reported at the end of the meeting that Water and Soil has a new engineer. Barth will ask him to come to a meeting to give the committee options to deal with South Gordon Creek. The engineer suggested we use the Army Corp of Engineers

to do the project.

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Cable TV Committee: The \$4200 Mediacom tower rental was found to be paid today when Collins discovered it was posted to the wrong account line.

Essex gave Collins direct deposit banking information he received from Verizon dated December 20. She needs to update the information and return it.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- The two general pick ups for Christmas and New Years weeks saw 44 tons of trash collected.
- We are still picking up Christmas trees. The guys have hauled five loads away thus far.
- There was a water main break January 2.
- Hohenbrink Excavating plan to begin the Perry/Oak water main replacement project next week. This is our Issue II project for 2012-2013.
- Miller is getting calls about sections of bad sidewalks and what the Village plans are for making residents correct them. Council suspended enforcement several years ago so the Zoning Inspector and Miller I need to know what to do. Zoning Inspector, Mike Bailey can spend the winter months getting things ready for spring work if you want to get back into having sidewalks repaired.

Miscellaneous:

Resolution 2012 – 25 granting ARC Solutions the right of first refusal on industrial park property was read by caption only for the third reading. Beverly moved to approve. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Essex brought three policies to the December 17 meeting and asked council review before passing. They are as follows: 1) privacy of personal information policy; 2) Hospitality Policy; and 3) EMS billing and collection policy. No discussion or action took place.

Police/Fire/EMS Reports:

Police Chief Willis did not have a report.

Assistant Fire Chief, Bruce Hart reported the firemen's association donated \$6,294.90 towards the purchase of six air pack face pieces. They intend to purchase six more this year at a cost \$1,049.00 each.

He asked council to hire Amy Baker as a second part time EMT to cover the balance of the 30 hours that Bryan Tonneas was not able to cover due to his busy schedule else where. She is from Pioneer OH and holds an Intermediate license. Mayor Haver recommended hiring Amy Baker pending a good physical and drug screen. She will be on probation but will not have any pay reduction during that period of time. Beverly moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Hart also reported that three students finished the class that has going on for the past year. He asked council to approve hiring them pending passing the national registry test and good physicals and drug screens. Hart could not name the students so no action was taken at this time.

Hart noted that the response between the firemen and EMT is going well.

Council approved the Volunteer Fire Fighter's Dependents Fund Membership roster.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: The MTD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Reports were passed out. Income Tax collections were up 8% compared to last year. Collins passed out year end expense and revenue reports for review.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver asked council if they want to refuse a CDBG grant for the proposed Oak Park sanitary sewer line project. The project consists of replacing 480' of sanitary sewer line. Mayor Haver and Ron Daniels figured the project

will cost around \$50,000 to do ourselves. Haver moved to do the project ourselves and not use CDBG funds. Barth seconded.

Mayor Haver wished all his constituents a Happy New Year.

Mayor Haver recommended that Josh Flanary, Patrolman II, be removed from probation. Beverly recommended that he be removed from probation. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

The End of the Year Mayor’s Court Report was passed out.

Beverly moved to go into executive session for possible litigation. Headley seconded. All voted yes (6:30 p.m. – 6:37 p.m.) Beverly moved to return to regular session. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Beverly moved to adjourn. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

MAYOR _____ CLERK/TREASURER _____