Minutes of Regular Council

February 6, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Haver.
The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated by all present. Present were: Mayor, Larry Haver; Council members, Ron Jones, Mick Pocratsky, Tom Haase, Amy Haver, Ed Foster and Ron Beverly; Solicitor, Robert D. Aplin; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Foster moved to approve the January 16 minutes. Haase seconded. All voted yes.
Pocratsky moved to approve the January 23 minutes. Jones seconded. Jones, Pocratsky, Haase, Foster & Beverly voted yes. Haver abstained.

Jones moved to pay the bills. Haase seconded. All voted yes.
Foster moved to revise the bills to reflect the Wilderson property taxes as only $42.27 instead of the amount listed on the bills list. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Matt Gilroy of the County Economic Development group was present to explain the revolving loan being considered for PEC Inc. It is zoned as light industrial and the administrator did feel they could produce bio-diesel under that zoning.

Will Burns of Maumee Valley Planning was present to explain the housing grant available. They are in need of applicants. Burns went over the guidelines. The project runs out in October. There are also funds for home repairs. The loans are forgiven up to 85% over a 10 year period. 15% is recaptured at the time of sale if a home is sold.

<u>Park Board</u>: January board meeting minutes were in packets. Tom Battershell has agreed to stay on the board until a replacement is found.

<u>Police/Fire/EMS:</u> Foster reported a meeting was held on January 28 with himself, the Mayor, the fire chief and the EMS chief. They will meet again soon.

<u>Cable TV:</u> There will be a meeting on Saturday, February 11 at 8 a.m. Mediacom's quarterly franchise fee report was passed out. Gerry Lewis will stay on the board.

<u>Water/Sewer/Refuse:</u> Beverly reported that a newly designed utility bill is in front of each person. Council liked the bill so Collins will go ahead with the printing and usage.

<u>Street/Light/Property:</u> There will be a meeting at 5:30 on Monday, February 13.

<u>Administrator's Report:</u> Miller did not receive any bids to purchase the Wilderson house to move it away. He received bids on the garage and contents of the house. Miller will award the bids. It was noted we will remain liable for any accidents while the contents are being removed.

The EPA recently inspected our WWTP facility. They were not pleased with the sludge buildup, sand filters, final clarifiers or the pumps, to name a few problems. Some council members felt that should have been taken care of by IFM since they were running the plant.

An IFM proposal #10024 dated January 30, 2006 was shared with council. Council was agreeable to using IFM's technicians on a part time basis. Foster would like to see the cost of using a Class III operator of ours vs. IFM's for the necessary reporting.

Jones moved to approve Miller's recommendation to hire another laborer for the WWTP. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Beverly moved to approve Miller's recommendation to take Ron Daniels off probation early due to his outstanding work. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

MICHENDOH folks will come to the next meeting to explain the importance of the protection efforts for the MICHINDOH Glacial Outwash Aquifer.

<u>Miscellaneous:</u> Ordinance 2006-01 to enter into a contract with IFM was read by caption only for the first reading. Jones moved to suspend the rules. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. Res. 2006-01 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Haase move to approve. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2006-03 Authorizing the RLF Committee to enter into an agreement with PEC, Inc., a proposed bio-diesel facility, was read by caption only for the first reading. Haver moved to suspend the rules. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. Res. 2006-03 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Jones moved to approve. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2006-04 to enter into an agreement with Mike's Sanitation for sludge removal was read by caption only for the first reading. Foster moved to suspend the rules. Haver seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2006-02 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Pocratsky moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

A Liquor License transfer was requested by Headley Enterprises. Chapps is the current holder. No complaints/hearing requests were received. Council will not request a hearing.

Foster asked Aplin to have a copy of the laws that make it a criminal offense for meter tampering distributed at the next council meeting.

Foster asked Aplin to look for easements for water/sewer lines where Hicksville Grain plans to build in the Shoe Factory Addition. We know the lines are in the ground.

Police: Chief Szabo asked to dispose of a 1991 Ford Escort that was obtained in a criminal case. Council was agreeable.

Fire Department: Elwood shared a fire report with council. He also mentioned that he is looking in to getting more mutual aid contracts signed.

EMS: No one was present.

Clerk's Report: Collins gave the following reports to council: EMS Revenue Report, Property Tax Schedule, MTD/YTD Income Tax Report, and MTD/YTD Financial Statement

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver reported Poth and Pocratsky will remain on the Cemetery Board.
Gerry Lewis will remain on the Cable TV Board.
On March 11th Carl Roe will be speaking at the Lincoln Day Banquet.

Council seemed agreeable to entering into a ten year contract with the township trustees over re-zoning issues regarding the sharing of future property taxes. The portion of the property taxes that the township would normally receive will be continued. We will send them a check for that amount. Aplin will bring a contract to the next council meeting.

Ruan has agreed to lease their building on West High Street to the fire department.
The property will remain for sale during its use. Worthington will be sending an agreement.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

MAYOR CLERK