

Regular Council Meeting

April 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Headley.
Pastor Jack Teeple gave the prayer.
The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated by all present.

Present were: Council members Mick Pocratsky, Ron Jones, Mike Barth, Ron Beverly, Bruce Hart and Mark Haver; Solicitor Troy Essex; Administrator Kent Miller and Clerk-Treasurer Diane Collins.

Pocratsky moved to approve the March 16, 2015 minutes with a correction. The Personnel Committee report should say “the committee recommended backing Miller on his choice to hire Ethan Hathaway and Austin Zeedyk”. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

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

Defiance County Commissioner Otto Nicely was present to inform council that the County Commissioners have decided to give an additional \$25,000 to the Industrial Drive Extension project for a total contribution of \$75,000. Nicely made note of the training program that A&P Tool is developing, the expansion taking place and the great things that are happening there. He thanked Mayor Headley, Council and the administration for their cooperation in the project. Nicely went on the talk about the county finances and expense/losses in operating CCNO. Mayor Headley thanked the Commissioners for the additional funds and noted that we will all come together and get the job done.

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission has a public hearing scheduled for April 9 at 5 p.m. to consider a lot split at Lot 13, Pt. Edgerton’s Outlet, a/k/a 617 Spencerville Street. The request was made by Lester & Lenare Yoder.

Park Board: Board member Eric Bassett was present. He stated the camera installation should be up and running in three weeks. Minutes of the March 18 meeting were in the council packet. Pocratsky questioned Bassett about something in the minutes relating to some property owned by the school. Bassett explained that the school may be interested in selling property next to the Presbyterian Church and wondered if the Village would have an interest. The acreage is unknown.

Beautification Committee: Minutes of the March 2 meeting were in council packets

HIXTV Committee: Minutes of the February meeting were in the council packets.

Water/Sewer/Refuse Committee: Minutes from a March 25 committee meeting were passed out.

Administrator’s Report:

- General pick up will start April 14. Ads are running and flyers are out at city hall.
- Tentative plan for ODOT/Brooks paving through town is to start doing the handicap ramps at all intersections around May 9. The Village has a catch basin to get raised and Frontier has been contacted about some of theirs which need attention. Brooks plans to work ten hour days, five days a week once the paving process begins. It is still to be worked out when milling of the immediate downtown area will be done. It may have to be done as a third shift job, but regardless, businesses and residents alike should be prepared for some inconvenience for a day or two. There was a lengthy discussion about the best angle to paint the parking spaces after the paving is done downtown. Kent will contact ODOT to ask some questions and report his findings to Mayor Headley.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2015-01 to pay Volunteer Fireman on call pay to drive the rescue squad was read by caption only for the second reading. It was noted that a committee has not met to revisit the wording of this legislation.

A Proclamation to allow golf carts to be used during the Northwest Ohio Volunteer Fireman’s Convention was passed out. Essex noted it does not allow “lawless” driving. No action was taken.

The Dept. of Commerce sent a Notice to Legislative Authorities notifying them that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages are up for renewal and the process to object if so desired.

Police/Fire/EMS Reports: EMS Chief Loni Kesler turned in a March report.
Fire Chief Scott Cramer provided a Quarterly report.

Clerk/Treasurer’s Report: As an item of interest, Collins reported there are currently 335 Mediacom subscribers compared to the 847 subscribers in 1996. The MTD/YTD Cash and

Income Tax Reports were in council packets. QTD EMS Collection and Utility collection reports were passed out. Collins asked Essex if the Deed was ever found to the school property donated to the Village for the Veteran’s Memorial. Essex stated we are going to have to get another one made up as we can’t find the original.

Mayor’s Report – The March Mayor’s Court Report was in the council packets. Mayor Headley thanked all the village employees for a job well done. He welcomed new employees Ethan Hathaway and Austin Zeedyk. The community was asked to keep the family of Randy Edwards in their prayers. Mayor Headley noted the web site is now up to date with his information. He thanked Otto Nicely and Jack Teeple for their participation. Councilman Beverly thanked Mayor Headley for the great job he is doing.

Beverly moved to adjourn @ 6:43 p.m. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

MayorClerk/Treasurer