

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

April 16, 2012 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: Council members, Mark Haver, Mick Pocratsky, Mike Headley, Ron Jones and Mike Barth; Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins; Administrator, Kent Miller and Solicitor, Troy Essex. Councilmember, Ron Beverly was absent. There were 9 visitors present.

Mayor Haver swore in Diane Collins as Clerk/Treasurer for her new term.

Jones moved to approve the April 16, 2012 minutes. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Pocratsky moved to pay the bills. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Zoning Board of Appeals:

There were minutes of the April 4 meeting to revoke a Conditional Use Permit. The request to revoke a Conditional Use Permit was passed by the Zoning Board.

Cable Committee: Barth reported the committee met on Saturday, April 14. The committee discussed summer programming ideas. They are going to hold an Amateur video production contest again. He told residents that the cable channels will be changing soon. He will put out some schedules of the new channel line up in case anyone misplaced theirs.

Park Board: Park Director, Val Shull was present. Val noted that there was no vandalism in the park the past month. There is a clean up day planned for April 28. Volunteers are needed to paint the inside and outside of the pool house and spread mulch at Adventure Alley. The mulch was donated by Crook-Miller

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Pocratsky reported there was a committee meeting held on April 9 at 5:30 p.m. with Gene Rigby of Environmental Services. Mr. Rigby wanted to give us an update as to the flow meters and to describe what our problems are. Mr. Rigby believes we need to do a total separation of our system. Pocratsky went on to say that Mr. Rigby spoke frequently of the "pinch point" in our system. He provided photos and a description of the 4' x 6' elliptical combined line that goes directly to the sewer plant and feeds into an area that can only accept a fraction of what the elliptical line sends. This is the point where everything gets backed up in our system. Mr. Rigby thought if we could use the elliptical line for storm only and run two parallel lines for sanitary, this would go a long way in our worst Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) area. Like RCAP, Rigby thought we should work on a manageable portion of the town each year until we eliminate all of the CSO's. There is another meeting scheduled for April 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Water Superintendent, Jessica Elson was present. The Water Supply and Treatment Report of Operations was shared and briefly discussed. The amount of backwash water used was surprising to some. When asked, Elson reported the old tower behind the Library is not being used at this time. It would be quite an intensive project to put it into operation and would take a couple days.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- General pickup generated 70 tons of trash.
- The part-time mowing position will be filled by Mike Bailey at \$9.64 per hour and our own employees will pick up the extra time needed. Bailey will make \$10 per hour while doing zoning work. Bailey will be used after his zoning hours are done for the day. He can not work over 39 hours per week.
- Miller attended an OBWC meeting in Lima on Friday the 13th.
- Bailey handled the bid opening for foreclosure property mowing. Billy Laney had the only bid at \$17.75 per hour. He uses his own equipment and gasoline for this. We charge the property owner \$75 an hour.
- Miller will be in Archbold on Tuesday for a Black Swamp Safety Meeting.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2012-05 to establish a Law Enforcement Trust Fund was read by caption only for the second reading.

We were notified that Brickhaus I applied for a D2 liquor license. Resident, Peter Greer commented that the Trinity United Methodist Church has a committee set up to discuss this matter but he is not a part of it so he does not know if they are going to object or not. Council will wait until the May 7 council meeting to see if anyone has any objections.

Mr. Essex explained to council that it was discovered when we loaned Mr. Becker \$100,000 in RLF funds the legal description included property that Mr. Becker did not own. Essex is going to prepare a partial release of the property that should not have been included. Haver moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Release. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

The Clerk/Treasurer has been asked to write a letter of commitment in the amount of \$227,000 to go along with the Rural Business Enterprise Grant application. The project would be a detention pond at the Industrial Park. Pocratsky moved to allow Collins to write such a letter contingent upon Mayor Haver verifying that we are not committed to the project if we are awarded the grant. The funds are to be taken out of the Capital Projects Fund. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Police Report: Chief Szabo reported the police department will be a collection site for unused medications on April 28 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

EMS: Acting Fire Chief, Scott Cramer reported that Wendy Jenkins resigned as a full time EMT. She is still acting as squad chief and working as a volunteer. He feels no need to replace her at this time.

Clerk/Treasurer: Collins passed out quarterly Rescue Run and Utility Collections Reports.

Barth thanked the village employees for putting up the Heritage Festival banners.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver commended the Village employees on the efficiency of doing the General Refuse pick-up last week. He also mentioned that we have a new celebrity in town as local resident Tyler Turnbull is running in the Boston Marathon today. It was noted that Tyler finished in good time today.

Barth moved to adjourn. Headley seconded. All voted yes. (7:25 p.m.)

MAYOR _____ CLERK/TREASURER_____