Minutes of Regular Council

April 20, 2009 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, Amy Haver, Mick Pocratsky, Bruce Hart, Ron Beverly, Ron Jones and Ed Foster; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Foster moved to approve the April 6 minutes. Hart seconded. Jones abstained. Foster, Beverly, Haver, Pocratsky & Hart voted yes. Jones moved to approve the April 14 minutes. Foster seconded. Haver & Pocratsky abstained. Foster, Beverly, Hart & Jones voted yes.

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

Isaac Lee of the Defiance County Economic Development was present to present a proposed Strategic Land Use Plan to council. Module 1 of the plan was prepared by DGL Consulting Engineers, LLC, hired by the Business and Industry Council of the Community Memorial Hospital Foundation board. Isaac answered questions and made comments about the contents. Eventually the Business and Industry board would like council to pass legislation approving Module 1. Ideally, more modules would follow. It was suggested that the Merritt Ditch project incorporate the proposed retention pond in the plans. It was noted there is a 40Õ elevation drop from the industrial park towards the hospital. Jones thanked the hospital foundation board for footing the bill. A survey was included in Module 1. Council was curious as to how many surveys were returned. Lee said he can find out.

Water/Sewer/Refuse/Committee: Pocratsky reported the committee met April 7th at 5:30 p.m. and again tonight. A number of issues were discussed. The committee wants to continue the discussion on hiring an engineering firm to do the sewer separation project. There are meetings set up with three engineering firms on May 7 to discuss the upcoming sewer separation project. Complaints about water problems on Haver Drive prompted another meeting to be called for May 11 at 6 p.m.

Beverly spoke to school superintendent, Dr. Miller, about correspondence passed out.

HIXTV: Foster reported the committee met April 11. Mark Leavell would like off the board. Foster asked that he be replaced with DJ Stevenson. Mayor Haver recommended DJ Stevenson to the board. Hart moved to approve. Foster seconded. All voted yes. Mediacom has approved running the fiber optics to the school. Foster did not know when that would take place. Esther Viles is not returning his calls to discuss programming for channels 3 & 5. The meeting minutes were passed out.

AdministratorÕs Report: Kent Miller reported the following:

- Miller asked council to approve a work change directive on the Whitten sewer line. The reason for the changes are due to unknowns discovered during the dig so far. Total amount for the changes is $2,461. Foster moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.
- A backup pool operator does not need to be certified.
- General pick-up is this week.
- Miller will be out of town on Thursday and Friday for the Local Government Officials Conference
- The Safe Routes to School grant has been approved. No specific amount was promised. The Sidewalk Committee will begin work on this project. A member of the school will be included. Miller is waiting for DGL Consulting to answer some of his questions.

Miscellaneous:
Essex got in contact with the manager of a district in Indiana about EMS mutual aid. It was suggested to Essex that we should ask for permission to waive all requirements for incidental runs into Indiana.

Essex reported he has a memo answering Fosters questions about FMLA. Foster told him to go ahead and write the policy and then present it to the committee. Essex said he could bring it back to the next meeting.

Essex had an EMS job description ready to go today when Mayor Haver and Fire Chief Doug Miller held it up. He will bring it back to the next meeting with some changes requested today.

The legislation to amend the current well ordinance has been passed around between people and it is unknown who has it presently. When found and approved by the committee, Essex will make the final draft to present to council.

Ordinance 2009-02 to transfer funds was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Foster seconded.

All voted yes.
Resolution 2009-06 to rehire the village solicitor was read by caption only for the first reading.

Legislation to sell the water van is not needed at this time.

Railroad easements should be ready to approach the landowners with by the next council meeting.

Essex stated there is no statutory procedure to change the name of Maple Street or Maple Street Extended for emergency purposes. The Street/Light/Property Committee will meet on this after Essex finds out if peoples deeds would need re-written. Miller felt that reporting emergencies at Maple Street Extended would even help matters.

ClerkÕs Report: Collins reported that Maumee Valley Planning has received a housing rehabilitation loan request to put roof on a trailer. It appears that it will income qualify. An inspection needs to be done yet and bids put out so council will know how much they would be approving for the loan if they choose to.

Police Report: Doug Willis was present.

Fire Department: Chief Doug Miller reported the weather siren is operational. He is waiting for Bob Arend to set up the encoder system to be able to turn it on locally.

EMS Department: Chief Wendy Goeltzenleucter gave all council members the proposed bi-law changes. She will request councilÕs approval in the near future.

Jones moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. (8 p.m. Ð 8:17 p.m.)
Returned to regular session. Hart moved to return to regular session. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

MayorÕs Report: Mayor Haver did not have a report.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR	CLERK
Larry Haver	Diane Collins