

Minutes of Regular Council

May 4, 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; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins. Administrator, Kent Miller was absent.

Beverly moved to approve the April 20 minutes. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

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

Sixth grade students, Eric Contreras, Katy Green and Allie Slattery were recognized for their letter to the Mayor concerning air pollution. Mayor Haver declared June 6th as Car Free Day.

Park Board: The April 15 minutes were passed out. The park board asked the finance committee if they could use contingency money to repair a pool drain. The finance committee stated they needed to use the capital projects funds in their budget. Mayor Haver contacted Gary Shull and asked him to learn how to operate the pool in case Ron Bauer was not available.

Water/Sewer/Refuse/Committee: Pocratsky reported the committee will meet on May 7 at 6 p.m. to meet with three engineering firms to discuss the upcoming sewer separation project. Another meeting has been called for May 11 at 6 p.m. to meet with the Haver Drive residents.

HIXTV: Foster reported the committee will meet May 9 at 8 a.m. A list of the quarterly franchise fees were passed out. Beverly stated he lost three channels and wants his bill reduced. Foster told him to call Mediacom.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Foster reviewed the proposed EMS bi-law changes and he would like it presented to everyone for review after Essex has okayed it. Wendy Goeltzenleuchter would like to take a class that starts May 11 to become a EMT instructor. Foster wants to wait a while until she gets established in her current position and find out if we paid for previous chief, Greg Zimmerman's training. Everyone seemed to agree that it would be most helpful to have Wendy as a trainer not only to save students travel time but also to teach them things unique to our department. Beverly did not see any advantage to delaying training and wanted to allow her to start the May 11 class. Fire Chief, Doug Miller stated he heard there is another class this fall. Haver and Foster feel we didn't get enough notice. Beverly moved we allow Wendy to take the class. It was noted the committee needs to come up with an agreement. Hart seconded. Beverly, Haver, Pocratsky, Hart & Jones voted yes. Foster voted no.

Sidewalk Committee: There will be a meeting May 14 in the council room.

Mayor Haver presented Water Superintendent, Mike Scranton, with an award from the Ohio EPA for Source Water Protection.

Administrator's Report: Kent Miller reported the following:

- Chipping will be during the week of May 18, prior to the Memorial Day holiday. The chipping policy was reviewed.
- 79.1 tons of trash was collected during general pick-up. Letters have been sent to those who had materials not taken and to those who think every week is general pick up.
- Six employees attended a free confined space seminar in Defiance on May 1.
- Miller is waiting for the ground to dry out before removal of stump grinding will begin. AEP will be doing additional tree work this spring but it appears the majority will be trimming, not removal.

Miscellaneous:

Resolution 2009-06 to rehire the village solicitor was read by caption only for the second reading.

Resolution 2009-07 to approve Module 1 of the Strategic Plan was read by caption only for the first reading. Council asked Essex to bring it back as an emergency at the next meeting.

Resolution 2009-08 expressing gratitude to United States Senators George V Voinovich and Sherrod Brown for introducing "The Clean Water Affordability Act of 2009" and urging congress to enact the act was read by caption only for the first reading. Essex was asked to bring it back as an emergency for the next meeting.

- Essex stated he has the railroad easements in final form. He is going to ask Kent to assist him in speaking to property owners since he may know them better.
- Legislation to amend the current well ordinance is still being worked on.
- Essex was asked to prepare a new EMT job description combining the full time position with the squad chief position. He has that done and stated we would discuss it in executive session.

- A representative of the State of Indiana has verbally indicated that he thinks a waiver of certain requirements for providing EMS services in Indiana will be approved. Essex forwarded him a letter requesting the waiver in writing. It has not been received it back yet.
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- FMLA policy is revised and was passed out for review.

Clerk's Report: Collins showed council bid information Maumee Valley Planning Organization sent to replace a roof on a house trailer using Housing Revitalization Funds. Beverly moved to approve Tri-County Roofing for the job. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.
The MTD/YTD Cash report and Income Tax reports were shared. Taxes are down 8% compared to this time last year.

Police Report: Chief Szabo did not have a report.

Fire Department: Chief Doug Miller passed out the April fire report.

EMS Department: Chief Wendy Goeltzenleuchter was not present.

Foster moved to go into executive session to discuss EMT job descriptions. Jones seconded. All voted yes. (7:45 p.m. Ð 8:15 p.m.)
Beverly moved to return to regular session. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver stated there would be Village wide garage sales Jun 12 & 13. Collins mentioned the plant sale this weekend. Mayor Haver reminded everyone to vote tomorrow. The April Mayor's Court report was passed out.

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

MAYOR

CLERK

Larry Haver

Diane Collins