

Minutes of Regular Council

May 18, 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; Administrator, Kent Miller; Solicitor, Troy Essex; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Foster moved to approve the May 4 minutes with corrections. It was added that the solicitor brought up a liquor license notice of transfer to council and there were not objections. Also during the Water/Sewer/Refuse committee it was noted that the group met at some condos on Smith Street to discuss water issues. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Beverly moved to pay the bills after several were discussed. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Personnel Committee: Jones reported the committee met on May 18 to discussed the proposed policy with department heads. Troy will bring it back to the next council meeting for approval.

Finance Committee: Jones reported the committee met prior to this meeting with a local financial institution and will meet again following this meeting.

Water/Sewer/Refuse/Committee: Pocratsky reported the committee met May 4 about the Smith Street condo flooding issues and again on May 11 for the same problem. Beverly asked to have the outcome explained to him. The property owners were told they could put in a catch basin and run tile to the Smith Street storm sewer line and tie it in at their expense or put the lay of the land back the way it was originally. Beverly feels the Village is missing a great opportunity to take care of several residents water problems and wants the Village to pay to tie in the catch basin. Haver Drive residents came to the May 11 meeting to discuss their flooding issues. Miller was told to get costs to get the original swales and ditches back on Haver Drive.

HIXTV: Foster reported the committee met May 9 at 8 a.m. We are buying new equipment to replace the Trinity editing machine. He received a letter from Mediacom on the channels they are willing to provide. None of the choices were what we recommended. Foster asked Mayor Haver to send a letter to Mediacom telling them we would like the Fox Toledo channel and another PBS channel as our choices off of their prepared list. Foster suggested if homeowners feel they should be getting a reduced rate since they are not getting all the channels promised, the resident should call Mediacom themselves. The possibility of putting in our own cable company was discussed. It was suggested we speak to Bryan to find out how that could happen. Joey has made contact with Mediacom regarding the cable at the school. He was told the cable has been ordered.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Foster reviewed the proposed EMS bi-law changes and he has presented to everyone for review. No comments were received so he will have Essex have it ready to approve at the next council meeting.

Sidewalk Committee: Beverly reported the committee needs to meet.

Administrator's Report: Kent Miller reported the following:

- Markus Sargent will be doing the zoning violation mowing. He was low bidder at \$22.50 per hour. Council would like Miller to make sure he is insured.
- Mosquito spraying will not begin until night time temperatures consistently remain at 50 degrees or higher.
- Chipping will be done the week of May 18.
- Asplundh is also back in town doing AEP trimming and once again.
- Miller is planning to attend a BWC/PERRP meeting on May 21 in Perrysburg.
- Miller asked the Ordinance Committee to consider the following changes to legislation:

We should change Ordinance 921.01 (f) to say "All sewer taps will be the responsibility of the owner/contractor and shall be inspected and approved by appropriate Village personnel." Troy will bring this to the next meeting.

Ordinance 1165.06 (pools) needs a penalty for non-compliance and the fencing for the large, inflatable pools still needs addressed. Foster wants this to go to the ordinance committee.

If we are not going to enforce anything on sidewalks (909), you should temporarily suspend the ordinance. Miller's personal opinion is we should be enforcing this as many walks are getting in terrible condition. In June of 2007 council stated their policy was to do nothing. The sidewalk committee will handle this matter.

Council wants Miller to get three separate quotes for the Haver Drive flooding issue.

Miscellaneous:

- FMLA policy was discussed tonight. Troy will incorporate a few new items and bring it back to the next meeting for approval.

- 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 is waiting for something in writing.
- Essex stated he has the railroad easements in final form and they need signed
- Essex was asked to prepare two new EMT job descriptions. The first one is a job description for a full time EMT. Foster moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. The second one was combining the jobs of full time EMT and squad chief. Foster moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.
- Essex as asked by the utility clerk for an opinion on the most acceptable way to mail out utility bills. The choices were to stuff the bill as it currently is in an envelope and mail it or to use a bar code on the current postcard type bill instead of showing an account number. He would like some reassurance that the bar code system does not make the personal utility records more accessible to hackers. Otherwise, he sees no problem with using the postcard with bar codes. The security issue will be looked into.

School superintendent, Kevin Miller, asked if the Village could sweep the school parking lot annually for a fee. Troy states there may be a problem with the Village engaging in that.

Ordinance 2009-03 to further restrictions on the drilling of new water wells was read by caption only for the first reading. Essex noted a change needed to be made and it would be brought back correctly to the next meeting.

Resolution 2009-06 to rehire the village solicitor was read by caption only for the third reading. Foster moved to suspend the rules. Jones seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2009-06 was read by caption only for the third reading. Foster moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2009-07 to approve Module 1 of the Strategic Plan was read by caption only for the second reading. Jones moved to suspend the rules. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2009-07 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Beverly moved to approve. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2009-08 expressing gratitude to United States Senators George V Voinovich and Sherrod Brown for introducing ÒThe Clean Water Affordability Act of 2009Ó and urging congress to enact the act was read by caption only for the second reading. Foster moved to suspend the rules. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2009-08 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Jones moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

ClerkÕs Report: Collins told council about a resident we have done 14 rescue runs on and they refuse to pay, sign up for Medicare or Medicaid so the bills are not being collected. It was suggested to take the normal collection procedures.

Police Report: Monty Ballinger did not have a report.

Fire Department: Chief Doug Miller asked council to approve Matt Kenner to the department. He has training. Mayor Haver recommended hiring Matt Kenner pending a good physical and drug screen. Foster moved to approve. Beverly seconded. Beverly, Haver, Foster, Pocratsky & Jones voted yes. Hart abstained. Miller asked if Essex had prepared a contract for Wendy to take the EMT instructor training class. Essex will bring it to the next meeting.

EMS Department: Chief Wendy Goeltzenleuchter was not present.

MayorÕs Report: Mayor Haver reported that we got word we have 20 years to do our sewer separation and the process will be starting soon to find an engineer for the job.

Hart moved to adjourn. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

MAYOR

CLERK

Larry Haver

Diane Collins