

Regular Council Meeting

May 19, 2014 at 6:00 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, Ron Jones, Mike Headley, Ron Beverly, Mike Barth, and Mick Pocratsky; Solicitor, Troy Essex; and Administrator, Kent Miller. Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins was absent. Leesa Battershell recorded minutes. 7 visitors

Haver moved to approve the May 5 council minutes. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Jones moved to approve the bills. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Karen Smith was present to discuss writing a policy for indigent burials. The council decided to involve Smith and the area townships to come up with an appropriate policy.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

Ron Daniels will be in Lewis Center, OH for two days of classes on May 21 & 22.

Hydrant flushing will take place overnight on May 21 & 22. Due to one water department employee still being off, he will have to use two street employees to do the flushing.

Also on May 22, the third street department employee will be taking the Mosquito Sprayer to Toledo for testing.

Miller gave the water-sewer-refuse committee his recycling figures. As of this writing he has not heard back from Werlor about any revisions on their end.

Miller and 3 others will be going to Columbus Thursday May 29 for Long Term Control Plan meeting with O.E.P.A.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2014 – 07 regarding probationary periods for new employees was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2014 – 08 regarding funeral leave for employees was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2014 – 09 to vacate an alley was read by caption only for the second reading.

Resolution 2014 – 03 to enter into a contract for fire and emergency services with Mark Township was read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky made a motion to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2014 – 04 to enter into a contract for fire and emergency services with Hicksville Township was read by caption only for the third reading. Headley made a motion to approve. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2014 – 05 to enter into a contract for fire and emergency services with Milford Township was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones made a motion to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2014 – 06 to enter into a contract for fire and emergency services with Farmer Township was read by caption only for the third reading. Barth made a motion to approve. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2014 – 07 to obtain financial assistance to extend Industrial Drive was read by caption only for the first reading.

Police/Fire/EMS: Police Chief Ballinger had no report

Fire Chief Scott Cramer had a report in the packets as follows:

- Bruce Hart has stepped down from the Deputy Chief position. He will remain as a firefighter.
- Cramer is considering promoting Travis Phillips to that position.
- Shawn Marker has resigned from the dept. effective May 12, 2014. He felt he did not have the time to volunteer and be effective within the department.
- The Fire Chief and EMS Chief will be re-writing the by-laws for both departments to reflect the new hiring procedure and implement random drug screening.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Collins put 1st quarter Utility Collection and EMS Collection Reports in the council packets.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver read a letter inviting, council members to the 2014 HHS graduation ceremonies on June 1. He also read the members names that are on the Veterans Committee. The mayor announced that the Farmer's Market starts Tuesday May 20 and will be Tuesdays and Saturdays at the Grace Methodist Church parking lot. Town wide garage sales will be June 6 & 7. To participate call Mary Wann.

Corey Wann was present with concerns about the speed limit of 35 mph in the area of Spencerville Street to Arthur St continuing on to Chicago Ave. He would like the speed limit reduced to 25 mph.

Beverly moved to go into executive session at 6:30 to discuss economic development. Headley moved to return to regular meeting at 6:50. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

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

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer