

Regular Council Meeting

August 18, 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 Beverly, Mick Pocratsky, Mike Barth Ron Jones and Michael Headley; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer Diane Collins.

Barth moved to approve the July 21 council minutes. Haver seconded. Haver, Beverly, Pocratsky & Barth voted yes. Jones and Headley abstained.

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

Zoning Board of Appeals – There will be a hearing on August 8 at 5 p.m. to consider re-zoning Lot 24 pt. Plat of Hicksville a/k/a/ 324 Antwerp Drive. It is presently zoned A-1 Agriculture/Public Use. The request is to rezone to R-3 Single Family, Two Family, Three Family.

Park Board: Minutes from the July 16 meeting were in council packets.

Street/Light/Property: Barth reported that he attended the Upper Maumee Valley Watershed meeting last week. They discussed water runoff, sewer separation, long term control plan, hard surface areas, and water treatment. He said they had some good ideas for everybody.

Administrator's Report: An e-mail was received from retired well driller Steve La Londe Jr. from Edgerton OH regarding his concerns for protecting our Sole Source Aquifer, MICHINDOH. He stated it has been confirmed that neither drillers nor well construction or development of irrigation wells fall under no enforceable rules or regulations by any state-wide governing body. He asked council to contact our government officials from the County, State Health Departments as well as the EPA, State DNR and County Commissioners regarding this concern.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2014-11 authorizing the Mayor to transfer parcel 4 in the Hicksville Industrial Park to the Defiance County Community Improvement Corporation was read by caption only for the second reading. Beverly moved to suspend the rules. Headley seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2014-11 was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2014-12 establishing pay ranges for Village employees and making the pay retroactive was ready by caption only for the second reading. Jones moved to suspend the rules. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2014-12 was read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky moved to approve. Headley seconded. Haver voted no. Jones, Headley, Barth, Pocratsky, Beverly voted yes.

Ordinance 2014-13 authorizing the Village Clerk/Treasurer to transfer funds was read by caption only for the second reading.

Resolution 2014-10 to assess Street-Light Millage was read by caption only for the second reading.

Police/Fire/EMS Reports: Patrolman Ken Fraley reported the new cruiser will be picked up tomorrow.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Collins reported the MTD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Reports.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver thanked everyone who planned, worked and attended the Hicksville Summer Fest weekend event. Two letters of correspondence were received from Mediacom. One stated there is going to be a rate increase for Video Only, HSD Only and Video/HSD. The second stated the changes they are making to the cable television lineup beginning Sept. 1. Mayor Haver reported there will be a session presented on Ohio Ethics Laws for all elected officials on October 1st in Defiance. Someone asked if this was the mandatory class all elected officials have to take. Collins stated all elected officials are required to take an Open Records class or assign someone to go in their place. Collins reported she just took the class herself this spring but in order for her to go on behalf of someone else legislation must be passed that designates her. Mayor Haver stated he has a transportation survey in case anyone would like to see it.

Beverly moved to go into executive session for possible land purchase and economic development. Headley seconded. All voted yes (6:12 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.) Returned to regular session. Haver moved to return to regular session. Headley seconded. All voted yes. Someone stated that Troy is going to draw up an ordinance amending the downtown parking regulations. It should be reviewed and comments or requests for revisions given to Essex.

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

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer