

Minutes of Regular Council

October 1, 2007 at 7 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, Ron Jones, Mick Pocratsky, Ron Beverly, Tom Haase and Ed Foster; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins. Councilmember Amy Haver was absent.

Jones moved to approve the September 17 minutes. Foster seconded. Jones, Foster, Pocratsky & Haase voted yes. Beverly abstained.

Haase moved to approve the bills. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

Finance Committee: Jones reported the committee met September 20th & 24th to go over the 2008 departmental budget proposals. The committee recommends taking the East High Street sewer line expense out of the capital projects fund. Jones moved to approve. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

Cable TV Committee: Foster reported the next meeting will be October 13 at 8 a.m. at the TV station. Channel 7 is now on.

Administrator's Report: Miller gave a written report: regarding the following:

- He attended a BWC meeting in Toledo on the 26th and Leesa Battershell attended the Black Swamp Safety Day on the 18th. The rebate checks will be distributed at the Black Swamp meeting in October. Miller will be in Cincinnati at OML October 2-5.
- Our Issue II application was submitted this week. There will be a meeting in early November to rank projects and we should know by early 2008 if we are getting any funds. Our application was for the Spencerville Street sewer main replacement.
- Council received a copy of ODOT's decision regarding the E. High Street center line.
- Miller asked council if they wanted to enter into the two year rate guarantee for our liability insurance that kicks in Thursday, October 4 Foster moved to go with the two year rate guarantee. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.
- We are done chipping until leaf season is completed.
- Haase moved to approve a change order from Peterson Construction in the amount of \$40,120. to furnish and install four additional modules for the UV system at the WWTP. Foster seconded. Jones, Foster, Pocratsky & Haase voted yes. Beverly voted no.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2007-15 to establish collection service fees was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2007-16 to transfer funds was read by caption only for the first reading.

Essex stated the Sewer Reduction Policy for new lawns is fine as written. He felt there should be a sign off form stating the person received a written copy of the policy.

Essex felt the Irrigation Metering and Service Requirement Policy needs to address billing and how the resident can take advantage of the reduction.

The pros and cons of platting the entire industrial park were discussed. There were still unanswered questions about when the CAUV would end and if we would need to reapply. Essex will find out more information.

Mayor Haver reported Nemcomed is willing to waive their first right of refusal for a lot at the industrial park. Essex drew up the necessary paperwork for Nemcomed to sign.

Resident Dave Schooley was present to ask council where the right-of-ways are in the village. He stated telephone poles are normally at the edge of the right-of-way. He was told that is not the case everywhere in the village. He just wanted to know the proper place to put political signs out. Essex responded to Schooley's inquiry.

Clerk’s Report: The MTD/YTD Financial Statement and Income Tax Report were given to council. Medical insurance information to back up a proposed 4% increase was shared. A vote by the BORMA board will be taken soon. Third quarter Emergency Services billing report was passed out.

Police: Chief Szabo did not have a report.

Fire: Chief Elwood passed out monthly stats.

EMS: Elwood reported for Mike Harris that one of the new EMT’s on probation has been released of her duties.

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Haver reminded residents that Trick or Treat night is October 27th from 5 – 7 p.m.

There is a household hazardous waste collection for Defiance County planned for October 6th from 10 – 2 p.m. in Defiance. Information is available at the front door of the municipal building.

The September Court Report was passed out.

Haase voiced his dissatisfaction regarding paving behind the new fire department. A guy wire sticking out prevents a straight drive into the back lot. Council wants Miller to get the area paved.

Haase asked if the property owners at the industrial park needed to put in their own retention ponds. The Mayor responded with a “yes”. Haase then wanted to know why we were discussing putting one in out there. Mayor Haver stated it depended on the ditch project. Beverly asked if anyone has checked with Poggemeyer Design Group on the water study they were doing for us and if this area was addressed in the study. No one had. No one knows what the covenants say regarding individual retention ponds either.

Haase asked Collins to provide council with a history on the revolving loan funds.

Jones moved to go into executive session for possible litigation. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. (8:00 p.m. to 8:35 p.m.) Returned to regular session.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR

CLERK