

Regular Council

November 4, 2013 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, Mike Barth, Ron Jones, Mike Headley, Ron Beverly and Mick Pocratsky; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins. There were 10 visitors present.

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

Pocratsky moved to approve two bills list. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Board of Zoning Appeals: Minutes of a Public Hearing on an application for a sign variance was in council packets.

Insurance Committee: Headley reported that the committee met prior to this meeting. They recommend we stay at the current levels and they will look at it again next year.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Headley reported that his committee met with EMT's on October 28th. He feels there are some grey areas to talk about but it appears Mr. Hall has the support of his group.

Water/Sewer/Refuse Committee: Barth reported his committee met on October 26 at 8 am and discussed the possibility of eliminating the exception for certain dwellings from being required to have refuse service collection. They discussed plans for proposed well #7 and necessary work on well #1.

They decided to clean well #1. The committee also looked over information supplied by Soil & Water regarding log jams in Gordon Creek. They would like to get the log jams removed and get Gordon Creek on ditch maintenance. The Village has been on a list for several years to get the ditch cleaned up and it sounds like it may be a few more years before anything is done. Beverly stated it is standard procedure to assess land owners for the work.

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Finance Committee: Jones reported the committee met on Monday, October 28th to review the departmental budgets proposed for 2014. Collins is currently preparing the appropriations to be presented to the entire council. They decided to reduce the refuse fee by fifty cents per month per household since the Village refuse fund is built up.

Personnel Committee: Collins asked the committee to A meeting is scheduled for November 18 at 5:15 to go over proposed changes to the Personnel Manual.

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Administrator's Report: Miller shared a report from ODOT that suggested parallel parking downtown. He also informed residents that there is a lot of nice mulch available at the recycling lot. Beverly offered to be at the recycling lot Saturday, November 9 to operate the back hoe to fill people's trucks. Leaves are being picked up. Miller reminded residents that they do not need to call him and tell him they have their leaves raked.

Miscellaneous:

- **Resolution 2013 - 17** to update the Investment Policy of the Village of Hicksville was read by caption only for the first reading.
- **Ordinance 2013 - 12** to reduce the Refuse rate was read by caption only for the first reading. Beverly moved to suspend the rules. Headley seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2013-12 was read by caption only for the second and third reading. Beverly moved to approve. Headley seconded. All voted yes.
- **Ordinance 2013 - 13** to eliminate ability to opt out of refuse collection was read by caption only for the first reading. Beverly moved to suspend the rules. Jones seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2013-13 was read by caption only for the second and third reading. Barth moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Jones moved to approve the updated Records Disaster Recovery Plan in the council packet.

Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. The MYD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Reports were passed out.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver sent letters to businesses that recently held open houses. The October Mayor's Court report was in council packets for review. Council was informed of an Investors Appreciation event at Defiance. Council members interested in attending should contact him. Kudos to the Fire Dept. and Rotary for the Halloween event. Congratulations to Coach Cleland and Dakota Frost for qualifying for State cross country competition. Congratulations to Coach Smith and the football team for heading to the playoffs. Happy Birthday to Velma Myers who turns 100 years old Tuesday. Mayor Haver reminded residents to vote Tuesday.

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

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