

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

November 21, 2011 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:, Council members, Bruce Hart, Ron Jones, Mick Pocratsky, Mike Barth, & Mike Headley; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins; and Administrator, Kent Miller. Ron Beverly was absent. There were 13 visitors present.

Jones moved to approve the November 7 minutes. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Hart moved to approve the bills. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. HIXTV director, Bill Murphy thanked the community for the tremendous underwriting support for the football finals games.

Board of Zoning Appeals: On December 1 the Board will hear a request from Slattery Oil to waive the footage requirements contained in Ordinance 1165.16 for the property at Lot 194 PT of the Auditor's Plat a/k/a 502 E. High Street. On December 8 the Board will hear a request by Chris Helf for a conditional use permit at Lot 126 of Shoe Factory Addition a/k/a 728 Ogen Street.

Resident, Ed Foster, representing the Storm Water Advisory Committee told the village council the committee wants to see the Village pay \$65,000 to have Gordon Creek cleaned. He requested verbal support that the Village would do that. Headley stated he agrees with Foster. Pocratsky pointed out this will be work done on private property and there will need to be a lot of paperwork done. Essex pointed out that temporary easements will be required and he doesn't know how many property owners would be involved. Mayor Haver said the Defiance County Soil & Water Conservation District would draw up the plans, do the petition and get the County Commissioners involved.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Pocratsky called a committee meeting for December 7, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. to meet with RCAP, Soil & Water and a representative of the Storm Water Advisory Committee. He also noted that at the last meeting Ron Beverly felt we should know the cost of insuring a video camera before purchasing one. Pocratsky reported the annual cost to insure a camera to be \$130 per year.

The October Water Report of Operations was passed out. Water Superintendent, Jessica Elston answered questions about the reduction in water usage.

Park Board: The November 16 meeting minutes were shared.

Pavilion Committee: Mike Barth shared with council a five year income and expense report for the pavilion.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Headley reported the committee met on November 9. The committee recommends re-hiring Wendy Jenkins as EMS Squad Chief for another year. It was noted the squad numbers are down. Current squad members are only required to run eight hours per week which is causing a shortage of coverage so Jenkins is covering those hours herself. The committee recommended hiring a temporary part-time position at \$10.00 per hour to cover 32 hours per week. Fire Chief, Doug Miller noted the funds were already in the 2012 appropriations. Someone is writing a job description for the newly formed position. Mayor Haver moved to re-hire Jenkins as Squad Chief for another year. Hart moved to approve. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- The recycle lot will switch to winter hours beginning in December. It will be open Thursday 1-6 and Saturday 9-1 until the beginning of March.
- Leaf pick up continues.
- Downtown Christmas decorations are up.

Miscellaneous:

Resolution 2011 – 24 to loan revolving loan funds to Adroit Thinking Inc. was read by caption only for the second reading.

Resolution 2011 – 26 to enter into a land lease agreement with Alltel Communications LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless for real property owned by the Village was read by caption only for the second reading. Hart moved to suspend the rules. Barth seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2011-26 was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2011 – 8 to update the pay ordinance was read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2011-10 amending section 925.02 to change the utility bill billing cycle was read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky moved to approve. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2011 – 11 the 2012 Annual Appropriations was read by caption only for the second reading.

Essex reported the Defiance County Soil & Water Conservation District has the easements done and he will bring a resolution to the next meeting.

Mayor Report: Mayor Haver reported the Chamber will have a parade bring Santa to town on December 3. There will also be a tree lighting ceremony. Kudos to the football team and good luck this weekend. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Hart made a motion to adjourn. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

MAYOR _____
Larry Haver

CLERK/TREASURER _____
Diane Collins