

Call to Order

The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor Mike Erwin. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Roll Call was completed by Clerk of Council. The following members were present.

Terry Erwin – A

Judy Neal – P

Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh – A

William Thompson – P

Mike McKeehan – P

Paul Zorn – P

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meetings. Motion by Councilwoman Neal to approve the minutes of the May meeting; second by Councilman McKeehan. All yeas.

Committee Reports from Village Officials

Street Committee – Councilman Zorn reported a street sign would be installed at Houston and Route 22 & 3. He advised a few limbs must be lowered for better visibility. Zorn stated he was awaiting a letter from ODOT regarding Pamela Drive.

Neighborhood Watch – Zorn reported he planned to offer the Cyber Bullying class on July 13, 2012 at the Masonic Lodge at 7pm. Zorn also stated he was looking into ideas for the old Elementary School.

Thompson apologized to McKeehan for a statement made at the previous meeting regarding his email address. McKeehan thanked him for his comments.

Beautification Committee – Councilman Thompson reported planter boxes were installed on the bridge on Pike Street. He acknowledged the participation was great. He stated the work was completed on Saturday in one hour and 15 minutes and detailed the preliminary preparations and volunteer efforts. Mark Bryant, Mark Gilbert, Bob Miller, Dale Cox, Pat Mahaney, Cecil Bush and Paul Zorn worked on the project installation. Also, Brian Specht provided his trailer and garage for storage during the assembling of the planters, delivered them to the site and continued working to get the planters in place. Thompson advised George Bochlett and Dennis Gilbert worked on the project, Gilbert cutting lumber and Bochlett drilling holes for fittings and bolts as well as assisting Thompson with the heavy lifting. He reported many others donated materials and cash; it was a group effort in the community. He reported Troy Cain pressure washed the wall. He noted Zorn helped to get temporary handles in place for the planters. Thompson advised ODOT officials were very responsive and helpful and permitted the project to be completed on Saturday rather than normal weekday business hours. Discussion followed. He provided the donations to Neal for the purchase of flowers for the planters and stated he sent an email to the Mayor to review and the Street Committee to look into further.

Police Committee – Neal reported a new cruiser was purchased at a cost less than originally anticipated. She advised the cruiser was being prepared to be placed in service. She also advised the Village had new auxiliary officers; they have completed or are attending the Academy. Additional training will be required and funding will be needed for training Neal reported.

Zoning – Jesse McKeehan, Zoning Inspector, reported new homes are going up in the area. He also stated a new marina with jet skies was now completed. The Mayor added there was interest from businesses and families desiring to move into the Village. Councilman Mike McKeehan noted the discussion of the commission on larger permit fees was tabled at the previous meeting. The Mayor gave Council Members time to review the information and comment on the fees for action on a Resolution.

Mayor Erwin discussed the #10-98 Committee. He stated in 1998, the law was placed on the books. The Mayor read the Ordinance and maintenance penalties for violations. He advised a committee was in place at one time, consisting of three residents; zoning can bring issues to the committee. Jesse McKeehan discussed a Woodlands complaint regarding the mowing of lots. He stated the #10-98 law superseded the PUD. He advised the builders were compliant; the law helped to resolve the issue. A committee would hear those concerns going forward.

The Mayor read the requirements, conduct, removal and terms for committee members. He stated terms are three years and are staggered. He gave the names of the residents who wished to volunteer as committee members, Jeremy Clifford, Mark Allen and Josh Williamson. Thompson asked about enforcement; the Mayor stated the court would enforce the law. John Poe explained the history regarding past enforcement. Discussion followed.

Motion by Neal to approve appointment of #10-98 committee volunteers; second by McKeehan. All yea.

Discussion resumed on commission for zoning permit fees. Mayor Erwin advised the new permits being discussed were not previously on the books. Jesse McKeehan stated the increase was designed to be fair to everyone. He stated the larger permits would be rare and require a lot more work by the zoning inspector. The Mayor stated it could be monitored and an adjustment made if required. Thompson stated he would like to monitor the zoning permits for six months before approving an increase with a new employee. Neal stated she would approve the increase right away and applauded the job that the zoning inspector was doing; Mike McKeehan agreed and advised the Village receipts would increase with the new permits. Koehler commented. Solicitor Oda advised action needed to be by Ordinance to adjust the compensation on the permits.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #10-12; second by M. McKeehan, three yea and one nay by Thompson. Oda noted four votes are required for emergency legislation, but advised the three readings were waived with the vote. Motion by Neal to adopt Ordinance #10-12, setting zoning commission fees for permits as identified; second by Zorn, three yea and one nay by Thompson.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Koehler discussed the Tax Budget, advising a notice would be posted in the newspaper for a meeting on the annual budget on July 10, 2012 at 5pm. She also advised a check was received for Village stock for \$3,604.88. She requested a Resolution to increase appropriations in the General Fund 1000-730-399-0023 to place funds in Comprehensive Plan and decrease line 1000-725-000 by \$1,000, increase 1000-110-0043; decrease 1000-410-420 by \$15.30 and move to contractual, 1000-410-399.

Motion by Zorn to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Resolution #8-12; second by Neal. All yea. Motion by Zorn to adopt Resolution #8-12, approving enumerated adjustments to line items in appropriations and declaring an emergency; second by Neal. All yea.

The Fiscal Officer also requested an Ordinance for the purchase of the police cruiser. Oda explained the purchase was approved by a voice vote at the last meeting, but an Ordinance was needed for the bank, authorizing the Mayor to sign the documents.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #11-12; second by Zorn. All yea. Motion by Zorn to adopt Ordinance #11-12, approving purchase of a new police cruiser; second by Neal. All yea.

An Ordinance was also requested by Koehler for \$2,000 for engineering services for Pamela Drive by Jones Warner Consultants. The Mayor clarified there were two projects, Pamela Drive and the Main Street Project. Originally, the County was to pay \$2,000 for engineering; they agreed to pay the \$2,000 toward Pamela Drive to complete that project instead the Mayor stated. The engineering fee is due from Morrow. A \$750 application fee to Jones Warner for the 2015 project for the Welch Road reclamation is also required. Mayor Erwin stated Phase I and Phase II were already paid; the current request was for an additional two phase project for Welch Road. He stated OPWC is on a three year cycle.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #12-12; second by Zorn. All yea. Motion by Neal to adopt Ordinance #12-12, authorizing payment to JWCI and declaring an emergency; second by Zorn. All yea.

Koehler stated Duke Energy increases were included in the folder provided to Council as well as information on Village loans. The Mayor stated the Comprehensive Plan was yet in place and would begin July 13, 2012. He advised letters would be provided.

Oda discussed the Village's lease agreement with Viox. He advised Viox wished to exercise his option to purchase the property. The Solicitor recommended an Ordinance, giving the Mayor the authority to execute an agreement to purchase. McKeehan raised concerns about the Point; Neal agreed. The Mayor stated the Village would receive \$100,975 from Viox. Koehler advised \$35,000 was the Village payoff on the loan for the building across the Municipal Offices.

Motion by McKeehan to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #13-12; second by Zorn. All yea with one condition by Thompson regarding the Point. Discussion followed. Zorn discussed ROW. Oda read a section of the lease agreement regarding the Point; Thompson's condition was satisfied. Motion by Neal to adopt Ordinance #13-12, approving the sale of the property as specified in lease agreement subject to an easement and declaring an emergency; second by McKeehan. All yea.

Public Forum

David Ducker advised he would attend the Neighborhood Watch Meeting in July. He stated the corner of Welch Road, at the hill was becoming a drag strip. Mr. Ducker stated vehicles were not stopping at the stop sign, instead they are speeding through the stop sign. Discussion followed. The Mayor advised he would have officers check the location.

Keith Smith of ODOT addressed the painting of the bridge. He stated he would provide a fax as requested by Sue Ann Nelson. He discussed ODNR regulations and maintenance schedule. He advised the painter selected must be ODOT certified and qualified. He stated he would forward an email to Mayor Erwin. The Mayor advised a painter had been secured for the project.

Approval of Disbursements

Motion by McKeehan to pay the bills; second by Neal. All yea. Disbursements were distributed by Koehler. Standard Bank Reconciliation Reports by Fund and Fund Summary were provided from May 1, 2012 to June 7, 2012.

The Mayor stated the Village wished to be self sufficient and not over burden the residents. The Mayor stated many people ask what they can do to help. He provided history on the Schuerer Fund provided by a Cincinnati businessman. He stated the interest on the gift provides food/relief fund for those in need, but interest earned is down. Koehler gave interest percentages. Mayor Erwin stated that was one way those who want to help may do so. Neal stated residents may only go to the Food Pantry in Rochester once a month for food. Ducker requested a letter regarding Schuerer Fund donations.

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Adjournment

Motion by McKeehan to adjourn; second by Neal. All yea.

Kathie Koehler, Fiscal Officer

Mike Erwin, Mayor