

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

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

Mike McKeehan – P

Judy Neal – P

Terry Erwin– P

William Thompson – P

Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh – P

Paul Zorn – P

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion by Councilwoman Isaacs-Niemesh to approve the minutes of the September 10th Meeting; second by Councilman Erwin. All ye.

**Committee Reports/Legislation from Village Officials**

Parks Committee – Erwin reported the Catfish Tournament at the Point on September 28th was a good fellowship. He stated Christmas on Main Street with carriage rides, carols and Santa Claus was being planned as a family event for November 30, 2013. The committee plans to have six carriages; booth rental will be \$10. Councilman Thompson commented on the planning for Christmas on Main Street and stated it was good idea.

Police Committee – Thompson advised a couple questions were directed to the Chief of Police Kilburn and he would report. Councilman Zorn reported the next Neighborhood Watch Meeting would be held on December 7th at 7pm.

Public Works – No Report/Legislation.

**Shawn Campbell / Jones Warner Engineering**

Campbell reported the construction project is moving along; there are a few minor issues with utility location. He stated Duke Energy is putting a new gas main along Welch Road; the road is closed and we are trying to be as accommodating as possible. The main has been tested and installed on Welch Road and on Highlawn. He anticipated the installation would be completed late November or early December. Once the storm sewer is in, Welch Road will be torn up. We are a few weeks away from that.

Shawn Campbell advised the Water Plant project is moving along fine. Thompson asked if water is shut off, how long can the water be off before a boil advisory was issued. Campbell stated if the main is shut off completely, an advisory is issued. He advised the contractors try to keep minimal pressure so that doesn't happen.

Police Chief Kilburn reported a spree of break-ins in multiple counties. He advised a thief brought a stolen car to a subdivision within the Village, stole another car, traveled to Blanchester where they were taken into custody. Several cars were broken into; most items were recovered and returned.

The Chief stated drivers are turning right at the school. He advised citations were issued for those sneaking through the closed roadway. Kilburn also advised the police cruiser will need brakes and Seargent Landrum's vehicle is waiting for an airbag to be installed.

**Ordinances/Resolutions**

Fiscal Officer Kathie Koehler referred to Council's printed report packet provided and advised a Resolution was necessary to decrease the Demolition Fund 4901 by \$11,866.47 and increase the General Fund. She also stated an increase in the General Fund was necessary for Income Tax E-file for the new system which won't be started until 2014,

but a purchase order was requested in 2013. She stated costs would increase 2% each year. Isaacs-Niemesh questioned the cost. Councilwoman Neal asked who would use this. It was stated the matter would be discussed in the November meeting. Solicitor Kaspar provided language for the Resolution making adjustments in appropriations for the Demolition Fund.

Motion by Erwin to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Resolution #29-13; second by Councilman Neal. All yea. Motion by Erwin to adopt Resolution #29-13, approving adjustments to miscellaneous appropriations; second by Neal. All yea. Motion Carried.

Koehler discussed monthly payment to elected officials, requesting an Ordinance to pay elected officials monthly rather than quarterly due to changes in OPER contribution reporting. McKeehan questioned the need for an Ordinance. Kaspar stated an Ordinance was not required. Discussion followed. All were in agreement. Zorn asked why the change was needed. Koehler responded.

#### **Approval of Disbursements**

Revenue statistics and disbursements were provided. Two Schuerer Trust Fund applications were submitted. Neal questioned the number of Duke energy bills. Koehler stated several were attached that come in at different times during the month.

Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to pay the bills; second by Erwin. All yea.

Isaacs-Niemesh asked about the Western Water issue, reading a portion of a contractual clause about water quality passing through Western Water's pipes to Village pipes. Kaspar responded it is a matter of warranty between political entities. Isaacs-Niemesh inquired if the water is safe. Kaspar responded. Isaacs-Niemesh asked if there was a website to field questions. McKeehan stated it could be posted and asked to table the issue until all wording is satisfactory and all are on the same page.

McKeehan explained to citizens that if an emergency arose where the Village could not supply water, the Village desired a back-up mechanism. He advised Village officials have been talking with Western Water and looking at an agreement. T. Erwin advised we are not selling our Water Plant; this is in case of an emergency. Isaacs-Niemesh stated if information is posted, it will stop the rumor mill. McKeehan advised it is public information.

Zorn stated he forwarded a complaint to the Village Administrator which the Administrator can introduce at another meeting if desired.

#### **Public Forum**

Mr. Ducker asked if Gov Deals items to be sold were posted. Erwin stated it was in process.

John Poe commented on the Open House at the Ice Cream Shop. He advised the Historical Society's first official meeting would be October 17th. He also stated the Love Morrow project on Route 22 and 3 accomplished much with hard work from volunteers and donations. He added many people are very pleased.

Neal advised it was Breast Cancer Month. She urged everyone to get checked. She stated male family members have been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Motion by Erwin to approve Schuerer Trust Fund applications; second by Neal. All yea.

#### **Adjournment**

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

Regular Session of Village Council

October 8

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Kathie Koehler, Fiscal Officer

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Mike Erwin, Mayor