

Regular Session of Village Council

January 13, 2015

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 the Clerk of Council. The following members were present.

Judy Neal – P	Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh – P
York Bryant – P	John Poe – P
Terry Erwin – P (6:15p)	William Thompson – P

The Mayor called for nomination for Vice Mayor for 2015.

Motion by Councilwoman Isaacs-Niemesh nominating Councilman York Bryant as Vice Mayor for 2015; second by Councilman Thompson. Three voted yea by roll call, two nay, Councilman Poe and Councilwoman Neal. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meetings. Motion by Neal to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2014 Regular Session; second by Thompson. All yea. Minutes of the December 30, 2014 Special Meeting were tabled for further review.

Reports / Legislation from Village Officials

Village Administrator Smith reported pavers for Veteran's Memorial Park are being engraved and should be installed early Spring. He stated applications are still being taken for pavers for Memorial Park. Neal stated the initial pavers ordered will be in by Memorial Day. Discussion followed. Smith stated each month he provides updates on new businesses who expressed an interest in Morrow. Since September 24th 2014, he has tracked requirements of these businesses. Smith advised he would like to see economic development become a priority, whatever we can do to create jobs, rehab old buildings, etc. will be beneficial. He discussed the Mutual Aid legislation needed. He referred Council to his monthly report and noted the Police Report summary included, complimenting the department for their hard work during the holidays. The Administrator advised the Mayor's Court Report, Bank Reconciliation and financial reports were included in the report to Council. He stated there was also pending legislation for the Mayor's Court Bond Schedule.

With regard to Special Dates, the Administrator acknowledged birthdays of Council member William Thompson on December 27th and Solicitor Kaspar on December 30th. Thompson posed a question on page 2 of the report under Zoning Code update, regarding the July 2014 Steering Committee kick-off meeting date. Smith advised the meeting date would be updated by Warren County.

Fiscal Officer Kathie Koehler reported W-2's and 1099's were due out by the end of the week. A question was posed by Isaacs-Niemesh regarding payment listings reported. Koehler advised all expenditures/payments were listed.

Approval of Disbursements

Motion by Neal to pay the bills; second by Bryant. All yea.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Mayor Erwin introduced pending legislation. Kaspar read the pending Ordinances.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #1-15; second by Bryant. All yea. Motion by Neal to adopt Ordinance #1-15, approving 2015 Bond Schedule, fees and costs for Mayor's Court; second by Councilman Poe. All yea.

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Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Ordinance #2-15; second by Poe. All yea. Motion by Erwin to adopt Ordinance #2-15, approving 2015 Mutual Aid Assistance Agreement with Warren County; second by Poe. All yea. Motion carried.

Thompson asked for a copy of the OAG agreement. Poe stated he understood 10% is what OAG requested. Smith stated the current private company is collecting 30%; he discussed the benefits of using OAG. Kaspar completed the 2nd reading of Resolution #19-14.

Public Forum

Dave Ducker inquired about signs for Highlawn Avenue parking. Police Chief Heath Kilburn advised the signs were being built. Discussion followed. Merilene Skaggs thanked the Village for their help with the Christmas Dinner. She stated it was a good time for everyone and we appreciate the donations and help.

Reports Cont'd

Kilburn advised the school is requesting a right turn only sign at the second and third entrances to keep traffic moving. People are cutting through school property. The Mayor asked whose responsibility it would be since it's on school property, not to over step our bounds. Discussion followed. Kaspar discussed responsibility. The Chief stated he believed the school was in agreement and advised Principal Marion Duffy of Salem Elementary made the request. Poe stated he was in agreement; all others concurred. The Mayor advised Council was in agreement to give the signs to the school.

Mayor Erwin stated action was required on legislation from the Executive Session December 9th on agreement reached with Koehler upon her retirement. Discussion followed.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Resolution #17-14; second by Poe. All yea. Motion by Neal to adopt Resolution #17-14, approving employment agreement for retiring Fiscal Officer retroactive to December 9, 2014; second by Councilman Poe. All yea.

Adjournment

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

Kathie Koehler, Fiscal Officer

Mike Erwin, Mayor