

Regular Session of Village Council

April 11, 2017

Call to Order

The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor York Bryant. 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.

Kiley Dane – P

Isaacs-Niemesh – P

Judy Neal – P

John Poe – A

Benjamin Steiner – P

William Thompson – 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 March 14, 2017 Regular Session; second by Councilwoman Neal. All yeas by roll call.

Reports / Legislation from Village Officials

Reports provided to Council included Mayor's Court Report and Bank Reconciliation, Village Fiscal Revenue Status by Fund Summary, Bank Reconciliation and Disbursements.

The Mayor reported he met with Shawn Campbell from Jones Warner Consulting and members of Council regarding the water run-off from Pinecrest to Thompson Street. He stated he also toured areas of the Village and made referrals to the Zoning Inspector. Isaacs-Niemesh requested information on the completion of the contract for Morrow Plaza. The Mayor commented there was no update on the contract or from the Zoning Inspector regarding Morrow Plaza. He promised to follow-up. Neal stated the Easter Egg Hunt would be held in the Village at 2pm on Saturday.

Fiscal Officer Knell distributed one Schuerer Trust Application for recommendation and disposition. Discussion followed. Thompson moved to approve if additional information was provided. All were in agreement. Knell introduced a request from the developer regarding the *Letter of Credit/Bond* for the Woodlands Phase I. She stated she received a letter from Shawn Campbell of Jones Warner Consulting who concurred with the request. The Mayor stated he visited the development. Knell advised the reduction request for Erosion Control was from \$5,000 to \$0, from \$65,000 to \$55,000 for Streets and from \$254,537 to \$113,036 for Sidewalks. Isaacs-Niemesh asked for an explanation. Knell responded. The Mayor commented on streets that were not approved in the development. Discussion followed regarding stop signs in the area that currently are the developer's signs. Councilwoman Dane stated the Stop Sign previously requested at Anne Marie and Megan Danielle was for safety due to construction traffic; she advised it is currently a dead end, but new homes are going in now. She provided the direction of the traffic for location of the sign. Knell stated she would follow up with the Engineer. The Mayor advised 38 building permits were written in 2016; the number would be up in 2017. Knell stated a Resolution is needed for the reduction of the bond. Solicitor Kaspar provided the reading for the pending Resolution declaring an emergency.

Motion by Neal to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Resolution #9-17; second by Councilman Steiner. Councilman Thompson expressed his concern with the legislation being presented as an emergency due to the timing of the request. All yeas by roll call.

Motion by Neal to adopt Resolution #9-17, approving the reduction in the *Letter of Credit* for the Woodlands Phase I; second by Steiner. All yeas by roll call.

Knell stated three bids were received for maple trees on Main Street which needed to be replaced. One bid was \$1500 plus tax, \$500 per tree from a bonded contractor; she stated this was the lowest bid and read the disclaimer associated with the bid. The Mayor stated after three days, the Village would dump the brush. Thompson stated a hazardous inventory was completed by ODNR in 2016 which identified the trees. All were in agreement to accept the lowest bid for tree removal.

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Knell stated the tree at Penders Park was very dangerous; the Police Chief made an assessment. She also stated for Arbor Day, the Tree Board wants to plant a tree at a cost of \$150. The Mayor and Council were in agreement. Discussion followed.

The Fiscal Officer stated regarding Well #3, the EPA's formal letter was received with a 25 year lease; the Village is waiting for an additional letter regarding two 25 year renewable leases. She advised a Resolution was needed authorizing the Village to enter into contract to purchase road salt from Warren County for 2017 -2018 season. Discussion followed. Solicitor Kaspar provided the reading for the pending Resolution.

Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to suspend the rules and waive three readings of Resolution #10-17; second by Neal. All yeas by roll call. Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to adopt Resolution #10-17, authorizing a contract with Warren County to purchase rock salt for 2017-18; second by Neal. All yeas by roll call.

Kaspar completed the third reading of Resolution #1-17 for the ODOT Bike Trail Signage. Motion by Neal to adopt Resolution #1-17, approving and establishing ODOT Bike Trail Signage; second by Isaacs-Niemesh. All yeas by roll call.

William Harrison / Morrow-Salem Fire Chief

The Chief updated the Village on the Fire Department's activity during the first quarter of 2017, including 76 runs a month, 129 this year, 9 crashes, 2 structural fires, a drowning and multiple motor cycle crashes. Car seats were installed and inspections completed. Foster Home inspections were completed; there are 5 in the area. Harrison advised staffing would increase and training over the next month with four on duty; start dates will be fluctuated.

Chief Harrison thanked all who attended the Fish Fry and stated it was a good time. Neal inquired regarding the installation of car seats by an authorized party. Harrison explained the requirements for various types and discussed the National Safety Board. He advised the Fire Department is checking for *recalls* when car seats are brought in for installation. Currently, he is installing and inspecting 25 to 30 car seats each year.

Public Forum

Michael Geyer stated he worked in Lebanon and lived in Roachester, but was taxed by Morrow. He could not get paperwork signed by his employer, Nipco, for withholding tax. Kaspar commented and asked for details. Geyer advised a corporation in Indiana completes payroll. Kaspar stated the Village could make contact. Isaacs-Niemesh requested the Tax Administrator for the Village make the contact the following day. A telephone number was provided. Geyer advised he had more than one year of taxes due to him.

Bruce Miller asked if the water fountain was ever installed at the park. The Mayor explained the fountain was purchased in the Fall, but the blue print shows piping in a different location. Steps are being taken to install the fountain by the County who has chosen the location and will pour the cement. The Mayor also advised the swing will be installed once the brush is removed at Penders Park.

Ducker inquired about Welch Road and Highlawn Construction discussed in a prior year as a Phase II project. Thompson commented and stated he would research. Ducker also asked about the north side of town where Realtor Hayes' sign is currently posted; he asked why the Egg Hunt sign was not posted. Mayor Bryant commented. Isaacs-Niemesh advised she spoke with Hayes; she followed procedure but was not advised it was Village property. Discussion followed. Bruce Miller asked if the Chamber was contacted about the Yard Sale signs. The Mayor stated he was contacted about the Yard Sale sign.

Adjournment

Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to adjourn; second by Dane. All yeas.