

MINUTES – December 19, 2016

WOODVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Woodville Village Council held on Monday, December 19, 2016 in Council Chambers, 530 Lime Street at 7:00pm. Present at Roll Call were Mayor Rich Harman, Fiscal Officer Barb Runion Council Members- Patrick Dunn, Judy Karchner, Joe Riffle, Stephanie Rizer, Jeff Tate, and Ty Tracy. Also present: Village Administrator Keith Kruse and Police Chief Roy Whitehead. Solicitor Bob Kuhlman was excused.

Mayor Rich Harman called the meeting to order and led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting and Regular Council meeting held on November 28, 2016 were approved as presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None.

CORRESPONDENCE- Mayor Harman read a Thank You note from the Robert Gerwin Family.

OLD BUSINESS- A lengthy discussion took place regarding the ongoing issues with U.S. Rt. 20 at the Lime Street intersection. Mayor Harman stated he spoke with State Representative Bill Reineke at an event in Fremont last week. Mr. Reineke informed the Mayor that currently there are no funding options available. Kruse reported that ODOT will provide use of the Durapatch machine and maintain traffic when weather permits another cold patch fill in that area. Matt Tille prepared a quote of \$7,000.00 to fix the area. Council Member Pat Dunn attended the council meeting in the City of Swanton, and asked if they had any issues with ODOT regarding the section of U.S. Rt 20 that is within their corporation limits. They have no concerns at this time, since that particular section was recently repaved. Kuhlman sent a letter to ODOT stating the village's concerns with the condition of the road and asked them to take responsibility and repair the road. Council Members were disappointed that the letter did not state council's desire to close the northern lane of U.S. Rt. 20 until the road was properly repaired.

REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE & PERSONNEL- Riffle – No report.

PUBLIC WORKS & MAINTENANCE – Dunn – No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Rizer – No report.

FINANCE – Tracy reported the 2017 health insurance premium renewal increased by 10.49%. Hourly employees who participate in the insurance plan lost between \$0.07 and \$0.22 per hour due to the increase. Because premiums continue to rise, and the July 2016 wage increase was nominal, Runion recommended a wage adjustment for each participating hourly employee. The adjustment would be the cents per hour loss of the employee's portion (20%) 2016/2017 renewal rate, and not to exceed the cents per hour of the July 2016 hourly raises. (See attachment) Tracy made a motion to allow a wage adjustment per the amount specified in the attached for affected hourly employees retroactive to December 5, 2016. Rizer second. VOTE-Yeas- Tracy, Rizer, Dunn, Karchner, Riffle, and Tate. Nays- None **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

Tracy made a motion to adopt Finance Ordinance #1649 in the amount of \$160,274.97, Tate second. VOTE-Yeas- Tracy, Tate, Dunn, Karchner, Riffle, and Rizer. Nays- None **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

PUBLIC SAFETY- Tate – No report.

RECREATION & PARKS DEVELOPMENT – Karchner – No report. Karchner stated that Mann Technologies will be leaving town soon.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Keith Kruse reported:

- **WATER:** The Ohio EPA has updated the Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) and contingency plan requirements. The changes will require entities to map the lead service lines and fittings. The new contingency plan requires entities to practice their plans to prepare for an emergency situation.
- **SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT:** Preparing a letter to Ohio EPA's Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA) requesting that they allow the current loan to remain in open status. If granted, it will allow us to complete the separation of the newly discovered area on Main St. along with the required closures of the combined sewer overflows (CSO). All sidewalks that could be replaced at this time have been done for the season.

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VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Keith Kruse reported (continued):

- **ELECTRIC DEPT:** Working with AMPLEX to establish a fiber optic route throughout the village. A pole agreement will be prepared. Installation will begin on the North side of the village. Joined efforts with American Municipal Power (AMP) and Ohio Municipal Electric Association (OMEA) by contacting our State Senator and Representative opposing the AT&T driven changes to Municipal owned facilities. AT&T is leading an effort to amend legislation regarding small cell antenna rights, which would remove almost every aspect of local control related to the installation of any new telecommunications infrastructure.
- **STREETS:** There have been two snow events already this season. Both events were handled well by village staff.
- **PARKS & REC.:** The Sandusky County Parks District held a meeting regarding extending the Bike Path to connect Fremont to Gibsonburg and then on to Woodville. They are exploring grant opportunities to fund this project.

POLICE DEPARTMENT- Chief Whitehead reported:

- The Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) held their annual “Shop with a Cop” on December 10 at the Fremont Walmart for kids throughout Sandusky County.
- Many gifts and gift cards have been donated again this year for the annual “Secret Santa” event. Officers will distribute gifts to those traveling through our village during the holiday season.

FISCAL OFFICER- Runion presented the following ordinances for council’s consideration:

ORD. #17-2016: AMENDING SECTION 135.09(a)(d)(e), UTILITY ADJUSTMENT POLICY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF WOODVILLE – 3rd Reading. Riffle made a motion to adopt Ordinance #17-2016, Dunn second. VOTE – Yeas- Riffle, Dunn, Karchner, Rizer, Tate, and Tracy. Nays – None. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

ORD. #18-2016: EMPLOYING ROBERT A. KUHLMAN AS THE VILLAGE SOLICITOR – 2ND Reading

ORD. #20-2016: SETTING THE 2017 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS- Tate made a motion to suspend the rules, Tracy second. VOTE – Yeas – Tate, Tracy, Dunn, Karchner, Riffle, and Rizer. Nays- None. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.** Tate made a motion to adopt Ord. #20 - 2016, Tracy second. VOTE – Yeas – Tate, Tracy, Dunn, Karchner, and Riffle, and Rizer. Nays – None. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

NEW BUSINESS – None.

MAYOR’S REPORT- Mayor Harman reported the Woodville Ice Rink is set up, and ready for use. The committee has raised \$2,400.00 to date from individuals and local businesses to sponsor the rink. Sign boards listing the contributors will be installed around the rink.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- None.

Mayor Harman adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

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