

MINUTES – January 8, 2018

WOODVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Woodville Village Council held on Monday, January 8, 2018 in Council Chambers, 530 Lime Street at 7:00pm. Present at Roll Call were Mayor Rich Harman, Fiscal Officer Barb Runion, Council Members- Judy Karchner, Kelly O'Connor, Joe Riffle, Jeff Tate, and Ty Tracy. Also present: Village Administrator Keith Kruse, Police Chief Roy Whitehead, and Solicitor Bob Kuhlman.

Deb Wallace of the Suburban Press entered at 7:03pm and Council Member Patrick Dunn entered at 7:10pm.

Mayor Harman called the meeting to order and led the Pledge to the Flag.

Mayor Harman called for nominations of Council President. Tate nominated Ty Tracy, seconded by Karchner. With no other nominations Mayor Harman closed the nominations. VOTE- for Tracy. Yeas- Tate, Karchner, O'Connor, Riffle, and Tracy. Nays- None. Tracy was named Council President.

Mayor Harman recommended using social media as another tool to reach out to the public with notices to inform the residents of village events only. After a lengthy discussion, the village will work on creating a Facebook page through the Environmental, Planning & Community Development Committee – Chairman O'Connor. Mayor Harman confirmed the 2018 council committee chairmen, and appointments.

Minutes of the Finance Committee and Regular Council meetings held on December 18, 2017 were approved as presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None.

CORRESPONDENCE- Mayor Harman shared a thank you note from the Screptock family for the afghan sent in memory of Officer Screptock's father.

OLD BUSINESS- None.

ADMINISTRATIVE & PERSONNEL- Riffle reported Bennett Stamper obtained his Class I Water Operator's license on December 28, 2017, and is enthusiastically pursuing his Class II license. Riffle made a motion to raise Stamper's wage to \$12.50 per hour retroactive to 1/1/2018, Karchner second. VOTE – Yeas – Riffle, Karchner, Dunn, O'Connor, Tate, and Tracy. Nays – None. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

PUBLIC WORKS & MAINTENANCE – Dunn – No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – O'Connor stated she reached out to Tree Commission members asking if anyone would be chairperson because she can no longer chair the Commission, and no one was interested in the position. It has been very difficult to maintain the continuous year's status of Tree City USA for several years now. The village will continue to organize an Arbor Day tree planting with the school, but will discontinue the spring/fall tree planting event for residents. Kruse stated he will continue with implementing a tree maintenance program, which will help reduce our liability with the older and larger trees throughout the town.

Council Member Tate exited the meeting at 7:33pm.

FINANCE – Tracy made a motion to adopt Finance Ordinance #1673 in the amount of \$52,574.55, Karchner second. VOTE-Yeas- Tracy, Karchner, Dunn, O'Connor, and Riffle. Nays- None **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

Council Member Tate re-entered the meeting at 7:35pm.

PUBLIC SAFETY- Mayor Harman recommended the rehire of Officer Jack Jacobs as a part time officer at a wage of \$11.25 per hour retroactive to December 18, 2017. Tate made a motion to rehire Jack Jacobs as a part time officer at a wage of \$11.25 per hour, and retroactive to December 18, 2017. Karchner second. VOTE-Yeas- Tate, Karchner, Dunn, O'Connor, Riffle, and Tracy. Nays- None. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

RECREATION & PARKS DEVELOPMENT – Karchner stated she has concerns regarding the lack of time Kruse is able to spend on the zoning issues throughout the village because of his other duties right now. Karchner feels he is too busy and that a zoning inspector should be hired to fulfill the position. Kruse responded the position is only time consuming for a few months out of the year, and he will be hiring a wastewater operator soon which will lighten his work load.

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VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Keith Kruse reported:

- **WATER DEPT:** Due to the extreme cold temperatures, 14 residents have been notified to let their faucets drip water. These residents are on a list because of previous issues.
- **SEWER DEPT:** No report.
- **ELECTRIC DEPT:** There have been 3 power interruptions recently affecting the village. These interruptions are not a village issue and First Energy is working on finding the cause of the problems.
- **STREETS:** No report.
- **OTHER:** Will be continuing the Road Use Maintenance Agreement (RUMA) negotiations with Nexus Pipeline and Kuhlman next week.

POLICE DEPARTMENT- Chief Whitehead reported:

- The department received a \$2,000.00 donation Martin Marietta's Gifts and Grants program to use towards the new bullet proof vest and overlays.

FISCAL OFFICER- Runion – No report.

NEW BUSINESS – None

MAYOR'S REPORT- Mayor Harman reported the Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive collected over \$5,000 this season, and all of the Angel Tree requests were completely supported by donors. The local Salvation Army Unit supports families in both Woodville and Elmore.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- None

Mayor Harman adjourned the meeting at 7:52pm.

Mayor Richard A. Harman

Barbara J. Runion, Fiscal Officer