

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
201 WEST NORTH STREET
WAVERLY, OHIO 45690

MINUTES

The Waverly Village Council met in regular session Tuesday January 5, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Tom Patterson, roll call was taken with the following Elected Officials and Council Members in attendance: **Mayor Greg Kempton, Councilwoman Mary Ellen Cormany; Councilmen Dick Demlow, Steve Fisher, Forest Blakeman and Council President Tom Patterson; Auditor Harvey Whaley. Councilwoman Joyce Thompson and Councilman Scott Dailey were absent but excused.**

In Attendance: Melody Thompson, Randy Armbruster, Jeff Minshaw, Larry Roe

The meeting was opened at 7:09 p.m. with Councilman Demlow leading Council and guests in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

Councilman Demlow stated that On December 15, he abstained from voting on the approval of the Amended November 17, 2015 Minutes and requested the correction to be made in the December 15, 2015 minutes.

Councilman Demlow made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, to approve the Tuesday, December 15, 2015 Minutes, as corrected.

Roll Call: All Ayes

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Kempton reported that the Village did have a substantial sewer line collapse on New Year's Eve. The area in which it occurred was a concern, the area near McConkey's and the Heritage Museum, which is a historical building. Fortunately, the department did isolate the break. Being deep and restricted, the Village did use Foill to dig and put the trench boxes in place. It was twelve feet down and exceeded our expertise and equipment. The repair looks good. The Mayor reports that the Village does have a pump at its disposal, but did not have enough discharge hose. The Village may need to have someone on speed-dial or make the purchase in case it is needed. There is a large portion of Waverly drainage that goes to that manhole. The crew worked late to get it fixed. They worked with the camera to get the problem resolved.

Councilman Blakeman asked if the Village had a program initiated that periodically cleans the drains.

Mayor Kempton replied that the crew will clean if they see a problem. This particular collapse was deep and they could not get to it. When the crew tried to clean it with the truck, they lost the cutter head and lost approximately seventy feet of hose.

Councilwoman Cormany stated that those are problems the Village expects to address due to the age of the system.

Mayor Kempton stated the crew did a really good job on the repairs. Mayor Kempton stated that he was worried about the museum and was impressed with the finished work.

Mayor Kempton informed Council that a meeting will take place Thursday, January 7, 2016, 10:30 a.m at the Government Center with Cliff Rosenberger for Capital Improvement. We could bounce some things off of them and see what they have planned. Council members are invited to attend. Mayor Kempton believes that he is aware of our most pressing concerns.

Mayor Kempton reported that due to the failure of the Health Department levy, the money will be made up from the Village property taxes. There is a meeting at 7 p.m. January 12, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Government Center. The County Auditor, Health Department, and county municipalities will be there. That can be pretty concerning.

Councilman Blakeman asked why the Village has to make up the difference because the levy failed.

Mayor Kempton did report that every municipality will be responsible for giving up some property tax. The total impact and dollars is not known yet. It is something to be concerned about.

Mayor Kempton reported one item with the Wage Ordinance needed to be corrected. There was one part-time temporary. We moved her up to the permanent part-time employee. We do have another temporary, Shelby Keller. She was hired to work part-time with the courts system. She is a permanent part-time employee. Mayor Kempton asked for a motion to move Shelby Keller to the permanent, part-time secretary position at \$13.70 per hour effective January 1, 2016.

Councilman Blakeman made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, to move Shelby Keller to the permanent, part-time secretary position at \$13.70 per hour effect January 1, 2015, retroactive.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

Mayor Kempton reported that Melody Thompson has informed him that the Village has spent approximately \$2,000 in postage, mostly on certified mail at \$8.00 per letter, since November. Melody did research the Ohio Revised Code, which allows us to charge \$25.00 to those people that receive certified mail. We do need to be sure that our Ordinance agrees with this. If Council does not have an objection, he will explore the route of charging \$25 as court-assessed fees.

No objections were made.

Mayor Kempton reported that he has received some verbal quotes on mowing equipment. He distributed a Park Mowing Needs List to Council. Mayor Kempton stated Ricer's quoted a 16' mower and a tractor. The only difference was the tractor that on there, with the government discount rate, the Village should pursue a front loader. Dean could use it for loading salt or snow removal if we have piles of it around. Salt is hard on equipment.

Discussion was made concerning features of the quote. Two prices were given. One was with the gas zero turn and one with a diesel zero turn. The zero-turn 54" mower and the tractor was \$69,000 and the second with diesel was \$71,000.00. He also looked at one full-time employee and one part-time employee at \$67,000 per year. There are also miscellaneous estimates for things like trash bags and mower blades. The Auditor's office was comfortable with a five-year loan. The expenses, you could move some numbers around to get different amounts, but equals at \$87,000 per year for the first five years. That is \$428,000.00 vs. \$150,000 contracting it, unless rates increase. At this point, if council would like to work on this further, and try to find an effective solution, the Mayor will stop work on it until hearing from Council. It has taken a lot of time up to this point and will take even more. We could possibly save 5-10% more off of the price.

Councilman Demlow reports that Bristol Village is not interested in purchasing large equipment with the Village. They do not have a need for such equipment.

Mayor Kempton stated that He would look in to smaller equipment, but will refrain on researching records for costs.

Councilman Blakeman stated that he would like to see Council proceed with the equipment purchase.

Mayor Kempton stated that it may be better timing to wait until annexation is completed. He does not want to spend a lot of time on something if the Village is not going to complete it. Our mowing costs were \$29,000 last year. It may not be cost effective to go the equipment route when it will cost more. Mayor Kempton reports that adding the Parks Department and the equipment causes us to creep back in to the expenses that were there previously.

Councilman Blakeman asked if there was another \$8,000 added for trash pick-up.

Mayor Kempton stated trash pick-up was contracted with Rumpke when the trash bins were contracted, and it has helped. Mayor Kempton asked Council to think about the Parks Department and equipment and let him know.

End of Mayor's Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel Committee Report: Councilwoman Mary Ellen Cormany had no report.

Finance Committee Report: Councilwoman Mary Ellen Cormany for Councilwoman Joyce Thompson: General Fund \$841,713.65; Bills \$1,921.35; General Fund Balance \$839,792.30 less 6% 220 Connector \$106,687.33 General Fund Balance \$733,687.33.

Councilwoman Cormany made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fisher, to approve the contracts with Phil News Heating and Air, for heating and air repair and maintenance in the Fire Department \$455.00 and city building maintenance for \$735.00.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

Public Service Committee Report: Councilman Steve Fisher had not report.

Zoning Committee Report: Scott Dailey was not present.

Public Safety Report: Councilman Dick Demlow reported a request to hire personnel.

Councilman Demlow made a motion, seconded by Councilman Blakeman, to hire Shannon Moorhead as a part-time dispatcher to begin on January 6, 2016 at the rate of \$11.27 per hour.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

Councilman Demlow asked if the Part-time Meter Enforcer had been assigned to the Safety or Personnel Committee. No further report was made on the position. Councilman Demlow suggested that both the Personnel and Public Safety Committees meet at the Mayor's office January 19, 2016, at 6:20 p.m.

Councilman Demlow asked Council if any Committee assignments would change. Council President Patterson asked if Council members wanted to keep or change committee assignments.

Council members agreed to keep present committee assignments for the new session.

Councilman Demlow had nothing further to report.

Recreation Committee Report: Councilman Blakeman
Councilman Blakeman asked Mayor Kempton when pot-hole patching would occur.

Mayor Kempton stated that hot patching could not be done during the winter months due to lack of availability of the materials.

Councilwoman Cormany commented that cold patching had begun this week. Mayor Kempton stated that mowing drawn out and bid as separate line-items, but were included in the total mowing bid.

Councilman Demlow would like to see the figures soon in order to compare numbers for the equipment purchases.

Mayor Kempton stated that he could have all the numbers and drawing ready for a meeting in February.

Councilman Demlow asked for a meeting on January 31, 2016.

Councilman Blakeman had nothing further to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cormany, seconded by Councilman Fisher, to approve the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund 2016 Certificate of Annual Election of Board Members.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cormany, seconded by Councilman Fisher to add Resolution #1-2016 to the January 5, 2016 Waverly Village Council Agenda.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

A license agreement with the Baldwin group was distributed to each Council member, the Mayor, and the Clerk at the meeting.

Resolution #1-2016

Councilman Fisher read Resolution #1-2016 in its entirety, made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, for the purpose of the Village of Waverly to enter agreement with the Baldwin Group, LLC to purchase software and perform conversion for Mayor's Court.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

Guest Speaker:

None

Auditor's Report: Harvey Whaley had no report

Councilman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, to pay the bills.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Council President read announcements:

***Next Council meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

***Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.**

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Blakeman, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

At 7:57 p.m. Councilwoman Cormany made a motion, seconded by Councilman Demlow, to retract adjournment in order to finish Council business.

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Council President called the meeting back to order.

Council President Patterson instructed Council to choose a Council President for the new term.

Councilman Fisher made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, to appoint Tom Patterson as Waverly Village Council for the new term beginning January 2016.

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

No further business was discussed.

Councilman Blakeman made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cormany, to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

President Council, Tom Patterson

Date

Clerk of Council, Tracey Lamerson

Date