

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on December 7, 2015.

## **INVOCATION**

Clapper offered the Invocation.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

The following members of Council answered roll call; Tim Clapper, John Curtis, Steve Hart, Kay Hines, Ed Kline, Emily Shaffer. The Clerk declared a quorum. Mayor Mike Porter, Solicitor Matt Griffith, Administrator Dan Rogers, Clerk-Treasurer Sue Mermann and Fiscal Officer Asst. Cathy Davis were present.

## **MINUTES**

Kline moved and Shaffer seconded to approve the 11/16/15 minutes. Roll call; Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Hines yes, Curtis yes.

## **GUESTS**

Guests included Council-elect Donna Carver, Brian Zerman and Greg Young.

## **POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN**

Chief Zerman reported a well-attended 12/4/15 Christmas Parade with approximately 40 entrants in the parade. Better organization and planning could eliminate most of the problems that occurred with the line-up and disbursement of the participants. One injury was reported when a parade participant fell from a float. She was treated and transported to the Hospital by the EMS.

## **FIRE CHIEF-GREG YOUNG**

Chief Young reported 16 responses from 11/17/15 to 12/7/15 which included assisting in a house fire in Cardington, 1 mutual aid, 1 controlled burn, 2 carbon monoxide checks and 1 gas leak.

## **COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **STREETS-JOHN CURTIS**

No report.

### **FIRE & POLICE-KAY HINES**

The committee met on 11/30/15 with Chief Young to review the Edison and the Canaan Township Fire Protection Contracts. Hines reported the Edison contract will renew until 2017. A letter was included with the contract that in 2017 an increase would be required. Canaan Township was given a 6-year contract which reflects the additional mills passed by the Township in November. Hines stated in the future all the contracts will be uniform at 2.5 mills.

The \$40,000.00 required to allow the 7-days a week staffing has been included in the 2016 Budget.

Hines moved and Kline seconded to approve the appointment of Malachi Swanson as Firefighter. Roll call; Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes.

The 2008 K-9 cruiser transmission replacement/repair is estimated at \$3,300.00. Zerman explained the 2008 vehicle, with 130,000 miles, could be repaired or another vehicle could be converted to accommodate the K-9 cage without repairing the vehicle. The K-9 handler/officer, Sgt. Cronenwett is a candidate for the position of County Sheriff in March. If he wins that election, he may be elected Sheriff in November 2016, which will eliminate the K-9 program for the Village making the K-9 cruiser equipment obsolete.

Discussion focused on the purchase and possible funding of a new cruiser or SUV. The expected cost of a 2016 Dodge Charger cruiser is \$34,036.00 while the cost of an SUV is \$36,868.00. Varying opinions were voiced on the budget, the advantages/disadvantages of purchasing a new vehicle in 2016 verses waiting until 2017, and the advantages of purchasing a vehicle every two years. Zerman reminded Council that in 2008, the "2-year-cycle" was broken and was never recovered. Porter noted the advantages of committing to the 2-year cycle. Clapper warned against deficit spending and suggested reserving the funds in 2016 for 2017. Kline moved and Hart seconded to approve the repairs of the 2008 cruiser. Roll call; Kline yes, Hart yes, Clapper yes, Shaffer yes, Curtis no, Hines no. Rogers stated the purchase of a new cruiser or SUV is included in the 2016 Budget with no deficit spending and stated he is opposed to the costly repairs in favor of ordering a new vehicle immediately and noted no deficit spending is projected in the 2016 Budget. Finance & Personnel Committee will review proposed budget on 12/14/15.

### **FINANCE & PERSONNEL-EMILY SHAFFER**

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 12/14/15 to review the proposed 2016 Budget. Shaffer requested that Chief Zerman attend at 7:00 PM.

**UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER**

A meeting will be scheduled after a final review of the 2016 expenditures.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING-TIM CLAPPER**

No report.

**VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-ED KLINE**

Kline reported HPM Marion has purchased the former Iberia Earthmoving building in Iberia.

**CODES & REGULATIONS-STEVE HART**

The committee is scheduled to meet on 12/10/15 at 8:00 AM at the Cornerstone Restaurant.

**ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS**

Rogers reported very low flows at the WWTP. Delivery of the Vaughn pump is expected this month. Winterization of the facility and equipment is completed.

The proposed sanitary sewer project will be rebid. A lack of understanding the project resulted in no bids for the project.

Normal maintenance and operations were reported for the WTP. Kessler Tank will schedule water tower painting at both locations.

The pool has been drained and cleaned; Rogers reported a number of areas that were caulked in an effort to stop the continuous leak.

Fifty tons of deicing salt have been ordered. Rogers arranged to sell salt to the school. Plows and spreaders have been readied for the winter while temperatures remain in the warm 50 degrees.

Leaf machine finished a very busy season; has been serviced and stored for the winter.

The Dollar Tree is scheduled to open on W. Marion Rd. in April.

A new restaurant is scheduled to open 47 S. Main St.

**MAYOR- MIKE PORTER**

The Mayor reported Mr. Gompf, owner of the Cornerstone Restaurant on N. Main St., is applying for a liquor and wine permit.

**SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER**

No report.

**CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN**

Clapper moved and Shaffer seconded to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$182,090.44. Roll call; Clapper yes, Shaffer yes, Hart yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes.

Shaffer moved and Hines seconded to adopt the income tax legislation, Ordinance 1730. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes.

Shaffer moved and Clapper seconded to suspend the rules for the reading of Ordinance 1732. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Kline yes, Hines yes. Clapper moved and Hart seconded to adopt the sale of the Vactor-Jetter ordinance. Roll call; Clapper yes, Hart yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Curtis yes.

Hines moved and Kline seconded to suspend the rules for the reading of Resolution 12-7-15. Roll call; Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes. Shaffer moved and Clapper seconded to adopt the CRA (Community Reinvestment Act) ordinance. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes.

The YTD Fund Report showing an overall balance of \$6,130,426.12 was included in the Council packets.

**OTHER**

Mayor Porter extended an invitation to Council to attend the employee’s Christmas dinner on 12/18/15. Hines moved and Hart seconded to adjourn at 8:00 PM.

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Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

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Mike Porter, Mayor

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Dan Rogers, Administrator