

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on April 6, 2015

INVOCATION

Hines 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 and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Mermann were present.

MINUTES

Shaffer moved and Hines seconded to approve the 3/16/15 minutes as presented. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes.

GUESTS

Guests included Donna Carver from the Sentinel, Brian Zerman and Greg Young. Morrow County Economic Development Director Brandon Miller and his wife entered the meeting at 7:20 PM.

POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN

Chief Zerman reported a total of 191 calls for service during the month of March, which included 12 suspicious person reports, 9 felonies, 4 accidents, and 24 reports.

FIRE CHIEF-GREG YOUNG

Chief Young reported a total of 25 responses, which included 6 mutual aid calls, 6 accidents, 1 vehicle fire, 1 dryer fire, 1 illegal burn and 1 fuel spill.

COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS

STREETS-JOHN CURTIS

No report.

FIRE & POLICE-KAY HINES

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 4/9/15.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL-EMILY SHAFFER

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 4/20/15.

UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER

The committee scheduled a meeting for 6:00 PM on 4/14/15. Clapper reported Rogers has requested the committee review the current sewer rates for possible future increases.

LONG RANGE PLANNING-CLAPPER

The Mayor noted that the newly formed Long Range Planning Committee, currently meeting with members Shaffer, Clapper and Kline, should be established by Council. Clapper moved and Kline seconded to approve the committee. Roll call; Clapper yes, Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Curtis no, Hines yes, Hart yes. Kline stated that in the future the committee may be open to other members of Council who would like to serve on the committee. Mermann reminded Council that all committees are required to schedule monthly meetings, open to the public, and to retain written minutes.

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 5/4/15.

VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-ED KLINE

Kline reported he met with a Poggemeyer representative and Administrator Rogers concerning the Fort Gilead grants and plans.

The final auction for the former HPM/Taylor Industries building is scheduled for 5/8/15 with the starting minimum bid of \$300,000.00. Kline stated the proposed "Good Neighbor" legislation language is somewhat vague but it will offer some safeguards to the area as requested by the residents of Westview Drive.

Kline requested Council go into Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of real estate.

Kline introduced Mr. Miller, recently appointed Director for the Morrow County Economic Development office. Mr. Miller is completing his final obligations as an OSU Professor before beginning fulltime with the County office. Former Director Davies, now Morrow County Auditor, is gradually transferring the responsibilities to Mr. Miller and working with him for a smooth transition. Mr. Miller stated he is

hopeful about the up-coming sale of the former HPM/Taylor Industries building, citing several positive advantages associated with the location. An invitation was extended to an Open House on 4/15/15 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

CODES & REGULATIONS-STEVE HART

The committee is scheduled to meet at 8:00 AM on 4/16/15. Hart expressed appreciation to the Officer who assisted a lady changing her tire on a rainy morning last week.

ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS

Rogers reported normal maintenance and operations at both the WTP and the WWTP. The emergency dialer at the WWTP will be replaced in 2015.

Issue I application was submitted for funding. Approval is expected the last part of April.

Rogers reported he met with Time Warner on the routing of the directional bore which will take place within the next two weeks.

Scheduled hydrant flushing began on 4/2/15.

The Recreation Board is considering wage increases for pool employees. Rogers noted the State Minimum Wage Law has mandated an increase every year for the past three years.

ODOT street sweeper cleaned the state highways this week. Because of the amount of grit used during the winter months, a significant amount remains on the streets to be washed by spring rains into the low-lying areas and removed at a later date.

Cold patching continues as weather allows.

Council reviewed the proposal for a computer server upgrade from Dell Inc. Clapper moved and Hines seconded to proceed with the upgrade from Dell Inc. at a cost of \$4,684.34. Rogers noted the costs were included in the 2015 Budget. Roll call; Clapper yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Shaffer yes, Hart yes.

MAYOR- MIKE PORTER

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Goodwill Store is scheduled for 4:00 PM on 4/10/15, with special activities scheduled throughout the day

SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER

No report.

CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN

Curtis moved and Kline seconded to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$142,006.83. Roll call; Curtis yes, Kline yes, Hines yes, Hart yes, Clapper yes, Shaffer yes.

Hines moved and Shaffer seconded to suspend the rules for the reading of Resolution 4-6-15. Roll call, Hines yes, Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Kline yes. Hart moved and Shaffer seconded to adopt the real estate tax assessment for delinquent water bills resolution. Roll call; Hart yes, Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes, Kline yes, Hines yes.

Ordinance 1717 was presented for the third reading. Shaffer moved and Clapper seconded to adopt the supplemental appropriation ordinance. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes.

Ordinance 1718 was presented for the second reading. Kline moved and Hines seconded to pass the Clerk-Treasurer ordinance to the third reading. Roll call; Kline yes, Hines yes, Curtis no, Hart yes, Clapper yes, Shaffer yes.

Mermann reported the Ohio Public Employees Retirement (OPERS) and the Ohio Police & Fire Pension (OP&F) have requested the State Auditor conduct an audit of randomly selected entities. Auditors worked in Mt. Gilead today, focusing on the accuracy and completeness of employee census data, wages, contributions to the pension plans and payroll records. The audit was completed with no audit issues.

Auditors reported the information was well organized and reported correctly.

The YTD Fund Report was included in the Council packets.

OTHER

Hines noted that after traveling recently, she is especially appreciative to Rogers and the street department for the street maintenance.

Kline moved and Clapper seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss the possible acquisition of certain real estate property. Roll call; Kline yes, Clapper yes, Shaffer yes, Hart yes, Hine yes, Curtis yes.

Mayor Porter, Solicitor Griffith, Clerk-Treasurer Mermann and Administrator Rogers attended Executive Session. Shaffer moved and Hines seconded to reconvene the Regular Meeting. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Hart yes, Clapper yes. Kline stated that Council discussed the possible acquisition of real estate while in Executive Session.

Hines moved and Kline seconded to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

Michael Porter, Mayor

Dan Rogers, Administrator