

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on June 2, 2014.

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, Jim Gress, Kay Hines, Ed Kline, Emily Shaffer. The Clerk declared a quorum. Mayor Mike Porter, Solicitor Tod Bringer, Administrator Dan Rogers and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Mermann were present.

MINUTES

Shaffer moved and Gress seconded to approve the 5/19/14 minutes. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Gress yes, Kline yes, Hines yes, Clapper yes, Curtis abstained.

GUESTS

Guests included Donna Carver from the Sentinel, Rick Watkins, Brian Zerman, and Boy Scout William Baldinger. Scout Baldinger is working toward his Citizenship Badge.

POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN

Chief Zerman reported 250 calls for service, 25 reports, 8 felonies, 66 charges and 4 accidents during the month of May. A bicyclist was injured when he failed to stop at a stop sign.

FIRE CHIEF-GREG YOUNG

Chief Young was excused. Four responses were reported in the written 2-week report.

COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS

STREETS-JIM GRESS

The committee is scheduled to meet on 6/9/14 at 6:00 PM.

FIRE & POLICE-KAY HINES

The committee met on 5/22/14 with Chief Zerman and Chief Young. The committee will schedule a meeting with Franklin Township Trustees to discuss the proposed fire protection levy.

Fire station roof repairs, estimated at approximately \$5,000.00-\$6,000.00, were discussed.

Chief Zerman requested the committee consider the purchase of another used, unmarked undercover vehicle.

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 6/26/14.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL-EMILY SHAFFER

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 6/16/14.

UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER

The committee met on 5/29/14 and discussed a storm water utility. Poggemeyer Design Group will advise on a fair and defensible rate structure. Water and Sewer rates will be reviewed.

A contract with MCF to operate the WWTP through the month of June was discussed.

McChesney has been contacted for the sludge hauling from the WWTP.

VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-ED KLINE

The committee met on 5/22/14 and discussed the proposed downtown lighting.

Plans for the renovation of Fort Gilead were discussed. Two grants will be considered for the project; the first could be a 75%/25% Nature Works grant for the playground equipment and the second would be 80%/20% grant for the proposed shelter. The committee will review the lease proposed by the Mt. Gilead School Board.

Two nominations have been presented for the Dr. Nathan Tucker Award for 2014.

CODES & REGULATIONS-JOHN CURTIS

The committee prior to Council and reviewed seven ordinances. Shaffer will complete the review/amendment recommendations and forward them on to Solicitor Griffith for the final review before presenting for Council approval and adoption.

ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS

Rogers reported normal maintenance and operation at both the WTP and the WWTP. Sludge hauling will begin this week from the WWTP. WWTP Operator McKirgan retired from the Village on 5/30/14. MCF has agreed to act as operator until Felder returns to work and Foltz receives his certification. A resolution approving the contract will be presented for Council approval on 6/16/14.

Orchard Dr. sanitary sewer project will begin this week. Completion is estimated between 4-6 weeks.

At the WTP, Well #5 has been cleaned, Well # 2 pump has been rebuilt and is back in service. The pool renovations are completed and the pool opened today. The Baby Pool will be opened on the weekend.

Communication with Lubrication Specialists is continuing.

A Brownfield Assessment Grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 was awarded. Rogers explained the grant could be sufficient for the former HPM or the Core building.

MAYOR- MIKE PORTER

Mayor Porter reported Safety Town is scheduled to begin 6/9/14 at the Cherry Street School. The Mayor's Conference is scheduled for 6/11/14-6/13/14.

SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER

No report.

CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN

Clapper moved and Hines seconded to approve payment of the bills. Roll call; Clapper yes, Hines yes, Kline yes, Curtis yes, Shaffer yes, Gress yes.

The YTD Fund Report was included in the Council packets.

Auditors for Holbrook & Manter began the 2012/2013 audit on 5/28/14.

OTHER

Shaffer reported she has begun a review of the "good neighbor" legislation as requested by the Westview Dr. residents and found most regulations are not appropriate for the former HPM property because the site is zoned Industrial.

Rogers reported the Solar Planet project at the WWTP is progressing.

Council discussed the recent sale of a property by the Morrow County Auditor for \$1,000.00.

Several thousand dollars were assessed to the property for blight and delinquent water bills from the Village. Village employees began maintaining the lot in 2007. Council requested that Solicitor Griffith research if the County could be prohibited from selling a property at such a minimal amount when there are special tax assessments already attached to the real estate.

Curtis moved and Hines seconded to adjourn at 7:45 PM.

Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

Mike Porter, Mayor

Dan Rogers, Administrator