

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on November 7th, 2016

INVOCATION

Mayor Porter offered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members of Council answered roll call; Donna Carver, Tim Clapper, Kay Hines, and John Oyster. Chris Sherbourne and Keith Strait were excused. The fiscal officer declared a quorum. Solicitor Matt Griffith and Fiscal Officer Cathy Davis were present.

MINUTES

Hines moved and Carver seconded to approve the 10/17/16 minutes. Roll call; Hines yes, Carver yes, Oyster yes, Clapper yes.

GUESTS

Guests included Zach Jones from the Sentinel, Greg Young, Brian Zerman, and Cathy Francis.

Cathy Francis had requested street closures at Main Street from the monument South to Marion Street and also requested that the parking lot at the Cornerstone be cleared for the Christmas parade to be held on December 2nd, 2016. The planned parade route is from the high school to the fairgrounds and the reindeer will be setup at the Cornerstone parking lot. Chief Zerman had many concerns one of which was the proposed starting time of the parade, but his main concern was the parade route. He wanted council to understand that the state roads would be closed for a very long period of time and everything would be gridlocked and traffic would be backed up for miles. Chief Young also expressed his concern over this as it will not allow for emergency vehicles to safely get through if an emergency arises. Hines also had concerns about the route being so long that there would be too much spacing between each unit. Mayor Porter offered his idea about running the parade route from Cherry St. to High to Main St. then to the fairgrounds with the walkers dispersing at La Cabanitas and the motorized units go on to fairgrounds to disperse. Chief Zerman thought that would work better since it would be a shorter route and it wouldn't involve shutting all of Main St down. Rogers also commented that the reindeer would be better in the center parking lot instead of the parking lot at the Cornerstone, Francis agreed. Clapper moved and Carver seconded to close the necessary streets according to the parade route allowing Chief Zerman to have the final say of the actual parade route. Roll call: Clapper yes, Carver yes, Hines yes, Oyster yes.

POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN

Chief Zerman reported 233 calls for service, 34 reports, 5 accidents and 75 charges for the month of October. He also stated that a number of alcohol related cases are 75% drug related which consist of drug tests being taken and submitted to the lab causing an unexpected expenditure. Oyster asked Zerman who paid for the drug tests. Zerman stated that the Village does and it wasn't allowed to go on the fines. Hines had asked Zerman how things were going in the mornings with the school children. Zerman replied that most of the problems are the parents dropping kids off at any place they choose instead of the designated areas.

FIRE CHIEF-GREG YOUNG

Chief Young reported 20 responses dating 10/17-11/7. Hines commented that she has noticed more and more open burnings and was wondering how to communicate the danger of this. Chief Young commented that there is no enforcement once the violation gets to county court so it is easier just to go and put the fire out.

STREETS-KEITH STRAIT

Strait was excused

FIRE & POLICE-KAY HINES

No report

FINANCE & PERSONNEL-TIM CLAPPER

Clapper commented it is time to think about the 2017 budget. Next meeting will be Nov. 21st at 6:00pm

UTILITIES-JOHN OYSTER

No report

LONG RANGE PLANNING-TIM CLAPPPER

No report.

VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-DONNA CARVER

No report.

CODES & REGULATIONS-CHRIS SHERBOURNE

Sherbourne was excused

ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS

Rogers reported that he had a call from Edison to assist them in unplugging a line at one of their lagoons south of town. He will begin putting "No Parking Signs" up Nov. 8th and will begin paving on Nov. 9th. Norwalk concrete will wrap up after setting the new restrooms at Ft. Gilead and sidewalks will be placed by B & B Drain Co. Final invoice must be to the County Development office the week of Nov. 21st and the deadline for completion by the Village is Dec. 1st, 2016. Salt bids went to Morton Salt with a bid of \$137.37. Clapper moved and Oyster seconded to award the salt bid to Morton Salt. Roll Call: Clapper yes, Oyster yes, Carver yes, Hines yes.

MAYOR- MIKE PORTER

Mayor Porter stated that he hoped everyone will be able to get out and vote if they haven't done so already.

SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER

No report

FISCAL OFFICER - CATHY DAVIS

Clapper moved and Hines seconded to approve payment of the bills. Roll call; Clapper yes, Hines yes, Oyster yes, Carver yes. Carver moved and Hines seconded to pass Ordinance 1753 amending "income tax" adding "information by landlords" to the second reading. Discussion was made and Oyster had asked why we needed this? Mayor Porter replied that there are many properties that people have moved in and out of and this information does not get relayed to the tax department. Also, there are properties where the water bills are in the landlords name and we don't know who the tenants are until we ask the landlords. Roll Call: Carver yes, Hines yes, Oyster yes, Clapper yes. Clapper moved and Carver seconded to pass Ordinance 1754 "supplemental appropriations" to the second reading as there was not enough council members to approve as an emergency. Roll Call: Clapper yes, Carver yes, Hines yes, Oyster yes. I had a discussion about the Ohio checkbook online and stated that State Treasurers' office had contacted me on numerous occasions to get the Village on this website. The data is almost completed and will let everyone know when it is up and running. In the meantime I gave the website to everyone and stated that Mt. Gilead Schools' information is on there.

OTHER

Kay Hines reminded everyone to honor our Veterans on Veterans Day. Carver commented that the museum will be open from 10-12 on Veterans Day. She also commented that her daughter is now home from the hospital. Dan stated that he will be out of the office from Nov.15th -25th. Carver moved to adjourn 7:50pm

Cathy Davis, Fiscal Officer

Michael Porter, Mayor

Dan Rogers, Administrator

