

Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes September 17th, 2008 – 7:30p

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs
Ms. Sandra Stemple, Council President
Mr. Rick Becker
Mr. Chuck Feicht
Mr. Richard Philpott

Absent: Mr. James Martin

Village Staff Present: Jeff Forbes (Law Director), Bruce Snell (Village Manager), Staci Morris (Finance Director), Gary Copeland (Chief of Police)

NOTE – This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Wednesday, September 17th, 2008. A video recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council and is available for review or purchase. This meeting was rescheduled from Monday, September 15th due to power outages from the storm.

Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:37p.
Roll Call – 5 present

Mayor Isaacs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Disposition of Previous Minutes

*Motion to approve minutes of 09/02/2008 meeting – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Philpott*

Roll Call – 5 yeas (Mr. Feicht abstained)

Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments

Bill Fritz and Bill LeMay both stated that they wanted to give their three minutes to Mr. Pelkey.

Gary Pelkey (830 Camp Creek Drive) asked Mr. Philpott for his resignation. Mr. Philpott stated that he planned to resign after the next meeting. Mr. Pelkey stated that Mr. Philpott was not qualified to serve on Council. Mr. Forbes stated that his opinion on the matter was that the pre-sentencing investigation permits Mr. Philpott to change his plea and because he has that opportunity, Mr. Philpott is still qualified to serve on Council. Mr. Feicht stated that he would like to allow the situation to play out to the extent of the law, as he prefers not to be a judge of Mr. Philpott's character.

Dave Stubbs (360 North Street) thanked management for their hard work.

Old Business

Mr. Snell stated that he had talked to Teetle Miller who was wondering if the Village was open to vacating the alley behind his house. Mr. Forbes stated that the ORC allows the Village to vacate the alley and discussed the process for that vacation to occur. He recommended that Mr. Miller petition the Village through a written request with the survey attached to the letter.

Reports

(1) Standing Council Committees

- (a) Finance Committee – will meet October 6th at 6:00p
- (b) Public Works Committee – met June 6th at 6:00p. Mr. Feicht discussed the following:
 - (1) the street repaving project
 - (2) a summary of the storm damage and clean-up efforts
- (c) Special Committees – Veteran's Committee

Motion to appoint Betsy Ball, Commander of American Legion 0615, as co-chair of the Veteran's Committee, replacing Mr. Philpott – Mayor Isaacs
Second – Mr. Philpott

Roll Call – 5 yeas

(2) Village Manager's Report – Mr. Snell discussed the following:

- (a) brush collection – two crews were out collecting brush today. Those crews will collect as much as possible, starting in the areas with the most damage.
- (b) residents without power – Mr. Snell spoke with Scott Teeters from DP&L, who said that DP&L works on restoring power to infrastructure and institutional areas first (police, water, hospitals). Mr. Teeters stated that they are working to restore power as soon as possible.
- (c) Auditor of State – Mr. Snell stated that a post-audit meeting was scheduled with AOS, and the 2005-2006 audit will be released in early October (per Steve Mallory).
- (d) absentee ballot applications available in the Government Center

Mr. Feicht stated that he liked the monthly progress report to Council that Mr. Snell had provided.

(3) Finance Director's Report – Ms. Morris did not have anything to report.

- (4) Police Chief's Report – Chief Copeland discussed the following:
- (a) the Police blotter is being placed in the newspaper on Thursdays when space is available
 - (b) no injuries or accidents related to the recent storm
 - (c) a reminder to citizens that ORC 4511.132 states that in the event a stop light does not work, you are to treat the intersection as a four-way stop

(5) Law Director's Report – Mr. Forbes stated that the Police agreement for the Sauerkraut Festival was on the agenda for the evening. He brought Council's attention to the fact that the agreement was for two years and that a revision may need to be made in the even the Village does not have a Police Department.

Glen Castle (151 Fifth Street) asked for clarification of the motion to terminate the Police Department if the Levy does not pass in November.

Dawn Schroeder (Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce) asked Council if an agreement regarding Police services will be reached before the start of the Festival. She stated that she needs to give a report to her board on the status. Ms. Schroeder also expressed the Chamber's support of all community services.

New Business

none

Legislation

Mr. Feicht requested an Executive Session for personnel before Ordinances 2008-036 and 2008-037 are handled by council.

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Resolution 2008-038 – a resolution to approve the agreement between the Village of Waynesville and the Ohio Sauerkraut Festival Committee and declaring an emergency  
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*Motion to have the first reading of Resolution 2008-038 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Feicht*

- Mr. Forbes stated that the change regarding the Police Department can be made before the second reading.
 - Council discussed the change from a one year agreement to two.
- Roll Call – 5 yeas

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Resolution 2008-033 – a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor  
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Motion to adopt Resolution 2008-033 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Feicht

Roll Call – 5 years

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Resolution 2008-034 – a resolution stating the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund contribution pick-up for the Chief of Police  
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Motion to adopt Resolution 2008-034 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Feicht

Roll Call – 5 years

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Resolution 2008-035 – a resolution stating the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund contribution pick-up for eligible employees of the Police Department, excluding the Chief of Police  
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Motion to adopt Resolution 2008-035 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Feicht

Roll Call – 5 years

Motion to have an Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:38p – Mr. Feicht
Second – Ms. Stemple

Roll Call – 5 years

Roll Call after returning from Executive Session at 10:33p – 5 present

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Ordinance 2008-036 – an ordinance appointing Bruce Snell to the position of Village Manager and authorizing the Mayor to execute an employment agreement setting forth certain terms and conditions of employment and declaring an emergency  
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Motion to continue to table Ordinance 2008-036 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Becker

Roll Call – 5 years

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Ordinance 2008-037 – an ordinance extending the current contract with Mr. Snell for thirty days and declaring an emergency  
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Motion to adopt Ordinance 2008-037 – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Becker

Roll Call – 5 yeas

Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:36p – Mr. Philpott
Second – Ms. Stemple

Roll Call - 5 yeas

Date: _____

Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk of Council