

# Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – 7:30p

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Ms. Sandra Stemple, Council President  
Mr. Raymond Otto  
Mr. Alan Bunker  
Mr. Chuck Feicht  
Mr. James Martin  
Mr. Richard Philpott

Absent: none

Village Staff Present: Bruce Snell (Village Manager), Stephanie Morgan (Court/Police Clerk)

*NOTE – This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, January 5, 2009. A video recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council and is available for review.*

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Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:30p.  
Roll Call – 7 present

Ms. Stemple led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Disposition of Previous Minutes**

*Motion to approve minutes of 12/15/08 meeting – Mr. Feicht  
Second – Mr. Otto*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

## **Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments**

Mayor Isaacs shared his attendance at a planning retreat meeting with the Waynesville Area Merchant's Association and Chamber stating it was very productive. Topics discussed included antique shows, July 4<sup>th</sup> event, Hearthwarming Holidays (Nov 7th-9th), coupon books and other promotional/marketing opportunities, Second Sunday Stroll and Christmas in the Village. A community wide garage sale is being planned July 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and Mayor Isaacs, at the request of WAMA and the Chamber, mentioned the Village should consider offering free garage sale permits for that particular weekend, as well as advertising on the utility bills and through the community e-mail announcements.

**Old Business**

None

**Reports**

(1) Standing Council Committees

(a) Finance Committee – 01/05/09 meeting cancelled due to absence of Finance Director

(b) Public Works Committee – will meet Tuesday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p

-Mr. Feicht inquired if the smoke testing had begun

-Mr. Snell stated it had not.

(c) Special Committees – Mr. Philpott stated a new president took over at the Chamber on January 1<sup>st</sup> and they are just getting organized.

(2) Village Manager’s Report – Mr. Snell did not have anything to report.

(3) Finance Director’s Report – Ms. Morris left a written report. Mr. Otto gave a brief oral synopsis (everything entered, spent less last year, recovery commission met and approval for working from home) and reiterated copies of the written report were available.

(4) Police Chief’s Report – Chief Copeland also left a written report. Mr. Otto commented it was good to see the activity of department documented citing 236 incidents received from dispatch in December.

(5) Law Director’s Report –Mr. Forbes was not in attendance.

**New Business**

None, contrary to agenda. The police officer of the year award was presented at the previous (12/15/08) meeting.

**Legislation**

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Ordinance 2009-001 – an Ordinance repealing Ordinance 2008-051 and approving and authorizing the Village Manager to execute a revised water service agreement with the Warren County Board of Commissioners and declaring an emergency  
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Mr. Snell clarified the Law Director advised tabling Ordinance 2009-001 until Warren County responds with revisions to the agreement. The legislation would not be legally binding if the attachment was not present when the ordinance passed.

*Motion to table Ordinance 2009-001 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Feicht*

Mr. Feicht asked Mr. Snell to request the changes on the agreement from Warren County be available prior to the next Public Works meeting on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm for action at the council meeting on the same date.

Roll Call – 7 yeas

Mayor Isaacs stated he requested letters from all council members outlining their committee preferences for 2009 and received written responses from Mr. Feicht and Mr. Bunker. Mayor Isaacs recommended the committee assignments as follows:

Public Works: Mr. Feicht, Mr. Otto, Mr. Bunker

Finance: Mr. Feicht, Mr. Otto, Mr. Bunker

Police: Mr. Martin, Ms. Stemple

A lengthy discussion of the assignments and vacant seats ensued with the primary concern being continuity within the Finance Committee.

-Ms. Stemple stated the same three council members are on both of the important committees.

-Mr. Feicht stated his concern with continuity in the Finance Committee

-Mr. Otto offered to be moved to another committee, one major and one minor

-Mr. Martin travels Tuesday through Friday; therefore he's only available to meet on Mondays

-Mr. Bunker stated he is flexible and as a new member willing to serve as needed

-Mr. Feicht requested to be on the Finance Committee stating it is critical as the Village moves ahead but is concerned it will lack continuity if Ms. Stemple no longer serves on the committee

-Mr. Otto offered to step down from the Finance Committee recommended Mr. Feicht, Mr. Bunker and Ms. Stemple for the vacancies. He also requested to remain on the Public Works committee.

Pete Stemple (273 N. Third), chair of the Board of Zoning Appeals, stated the group meets on demand at the request of the Village Manager. He also questioned whether foregoing the garage sale permit fee needed a council vote or if it could be a directive of one council member.

Mr. Martin offered to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals since the group meets infrequently.

Mr. Otto agreed to serve on the Planning Commission.

Additional discussion was held over the rules of council and the duties of the Mayor pertaining to Council Committee membership. Mayor Isaacs asked each member of council if they were happy with the revised assignments with all expressing such except Mr. Philpott.

*Motion to accept appointments to committees – Ms. Stemple*  
*Second – Mr. Otto*

Public Works: Mr. Feicht, Mr. Otto, Mr. Bunker  
Finance: Mr. Feicht, Ms. Stemple, Mr. Bunker  
Police: Mr. Martin, Ms. Stemple  
Planning: Mr. Otto, Mr. Martin  
BZA: Mr. Martin

Joette Hightower (1232 Anthony Trace) asked if a council seat becomes vacant and a new member appointed will the committees be re-assigned. Mayor Isaacs responded anything can be done.

Mr. Snell referred to the Village Charter Section 7.05B regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals. Members may not hold any other municipal office.

Amended committee assignments:

Public Works: Mr. Feicht, Mr. Otto, Mr. Bunker  
Finance: Mr. Feicht, Ms. Stemple, Mr. Bunker  
Police: Mr. Martin, Ms. Stemple  
Planning: Mr. Otto, Mr. Martin

*Motion to rescind previous motion on the floor – Mr. Otto*  
*Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

*Motion to accept appointments as amended – Ms. Stemple*  
*Second – Mr. Otto*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

*Motion to accept Ms. Stemple as President Pro Tem – Mr. Philpott*  
*Second – Mr. Feicht*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

Mayor Isaacs wished everyone a happy new year.

*Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:05pm – Ms. Stemple*  
*Second – Mr. Feicht*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk of Council