

# Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes August 17, 2009 – 7:30pm

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Ms. Sandra Stemple  
Mr. Alan Bunker  
Mr. Chuck Feicht  
Ms. Joette Hightower  
Mr. Raymond Otto

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 Monday, August 17, 2009. A DVD recording of the meeting is available from the Clerk of Council.*

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Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Mr. Otto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Motion to excuse Mr. Martin from the meeting – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call – 5 yeas (Mr. Otto, Mr. Bunker, Ms. Stemple, Ms. Hightower)  
1 nay (Mayor Isaacs)

### **Mayor (for purposes of acknowledgments)**

Mayor Isaacs discussed the Carousel Organs of America (COA) being in town the week prior and vandalism at Veteran's Memorial Park.

### **Disposition of Previous Minutes**

*Motion to approve the minutes of the 08/02/2009 meeting – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call - 4 yeas (Mr. Bunker, Mr. Feicht, Ms. Stemple, Mr. Otto)  
2 abstains (Mayor Isaacs, Ms. Hightower)

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

Dawn Schroeder (Executive Director of the Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce) thanked Mr. Snell and staff for their professionalism. Ms. Schroeder expressed her concern with the Village sign code making it difficult to advertise businesses in town. She asked Council to approve a banner over Main Street for the Sauerkraut Festival and Christmas in the Village.

- Mayor Isaacs stated that he had offered to do the Chamber's signs.
- Ms. Schroeder again requested approval to place banners across Main Street.
- Mr. Snell stated that the Streets Department typically had used the bucket truck to put up the Chamber's banners.
- Ms. Stemple stated that she did not have a problem with the banners.

Ms. Schroeder requested that the Chamber be involved in the process of updating the sign code when that occurred.

- Mr. Feicht stated that permission to have a larger sign than the code permits should go before the Planning Commission. January 1, 2010 is the likely date for code enforcement for signs.

Ms. Schroeder also requested permission to place a tent on Main Street between Main and Miami. If not on the street, then it would be on private property.

- Mr. Forbes stated that he would look into it.

Sharon Vogel (WHS senior class advisor) requested permission to hold a Homecoming Parade in the evening (around 7:30pm-8:00pm) on October 1. A bonfire would then be held at the high school. The school is willing to take full responsibility for the parade.

- Chief Copeland stated that he did not have an issue with the parade and that he could have officers there to assist.

- Mr. Snell requested that the school have the Village named as additional insured on their insurance plan for the parade date.

*Motion to permit the parade with a certificate of insurance listing the Village as additional insured*

*– Ms. Stemple*

*Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call – 6 years

Mary Bunker (267 South Third Street, Historical Preservation Board) discussed the lock-up fundraiser to be held Sunday, August 30 from 1:30pm-2:30pm. She invited the public and asked them to bring money for bail as they raise money to repair the building. The first item to be repaired is the front doors, while the other water issues will be handled second.

### **Old Business**

none

### **Reports**

(1) Standing Council Committees

(a) Finance Committee – will meet 09/08 at 6:00pm

(b) Public Works Committee – met 08/17 at 6:00pm and discussed the following:

- Miami Street water project moving forward connecting homes and businesses to the 8” water main installed in 2005 to address varying water pressure. The road will be patched before the Sauerkraut Festival.

- The project is being completed by Village staff at half the cost of outside contractors.

(c) Special Committees – none

(2) Village Manager’s Report – Mr. Snell thanked the Chamber for working to bring business to town.

- Miami Street project has been successful thus far, and the employees have been doing a great job. The Village borrowed a tapping machine from the City of Mason to be able to complete the project in-house. The project will not have an impact on the festival.

(3) Finance Director’s report – Ms. Morris requested permission to give a summary before the pieces of financial legislation.

(4) Police Chief’s Report – Chief Copeland discussed the installation of the school zone signs and introduced the two Reserve officers to be sworn in.

*Mayor Isaacs swore in new Reserve Police Officers Christopher Brill and Erika Lickert.*

(5) Law Director’s Report – Mr. Forbes stated that a decision in the Village’s favor has been rendered in the public records suit against the Village.

**New Business**

Chief Copeland thanked the Miami Valley K9 Association for attending the Council meeting and the party for Ramsey (K9 officer).

Rich Warneke read a statement in honor of Ramsey and his service to the community.

Chief Copeland thanked Mr. Warneke and Ramsey for their service to the Village. He then read a proclamation for Ramsey’s retirement.

**Legislation**

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Ordinance 2009-027 – an ordinance authorizing the waiver of certain fees for the property located at 38 North Main Street  
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*Motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2009-027 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Bunker*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Ordinance 2009-028 – an ordinance authorizing the waiver of certain fees for the property located at 184 South Main Street  
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*Motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2009-028 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Ordinance 2009-029 – an ordinance approving the financial recovery plan for the Village of Waynesville, Ohio and declaring an emergency (recovery plan #4)  
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*Motion to waive the two reading rule for Ordinance 2009-029 – Ms. Hightower  
Second – Ms. Stemple*

- Ms. Morris discussed the changes to the plan:
  - (1) General Fund (Land & Building Contractual Services) – increased \$3000 to cover the repairs to the lock-up building
  - (2) General Fund (State Examiner Fees Professional Services) – increased \$12,000 to cover the expected cost of the 2007-2008 audit
  - (3) Drug Enforcement and Education (Miscellaneous Contractual Services) – increased \$1500 to cover the payment for Mayor’s Court to the State for the Indigent Driver Fund. Mayor’s Court is required to collect it, but the State hasn’t determined where the money is to be sent yet. The money needs to be appropriated so when Stephanie gets the word, we can release the funds we’re holding to the state.

Roll Call – 6 yeas

*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2009-029 as an emergency – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Resolution 2009-030 – a resolution amending the appropriations for the Village of Waynesville for calendar year 2009 and declaring an emergency (amendment #2)  
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*Motion to waive the two reading rule for Resolution 2009-030 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

- Ms. Morris stated that the purpose of the amendments to appropriations is to appropriate the monies related to the changes in the recovery plan

Roll Call – 6 years

*Motion to adopt Resolution 2009-030 as an emergency – Ms. Hightower  
Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 6 years

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Resolution 2009-031 – a resolution declaring the necessity of an election on the question of approving the enactment of an ordinance to adopt Chapter 38 of the Village of Waynesville codified ordinances to provide for a one percent (1%) income tax  
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*Motion to waive the two reading rule for Resolution 2009-031 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

Roll Call – 6 years

Ms. Morris went over the highlights of the income tax ordinance and discussed taxable and non-taxable income. Mr. Snell discussed the importance of taxing individuals who earn a living in the Village and do not pay property tax.

*Motion to adopt Resolution 2009-031 as an emergency – Mr. Bunker  
Second – Mr. Feicht*

Roll Call – 6 years

*Motion to use 80% of the income tax revenue collections to cover the fund deficits – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Otto*

Roll Call – 6 years

Warren Sheehan (469 North Third Street) discussed the newspaper article regarding the Village of New Lebanon (population 4500) and their General Fund revenue of over \$800,000 due to an income tax.

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Ordinance 2009-025 – an ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to execute a mortgage release  
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*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2009-025 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Hightower*

- Ms. Morris stated that the mortgage had been paid off since 2005 and has not been released. The mortgage was for a sewer connection.

Roll Call – 6 years

*Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:27pm – Mr. Bunker  
Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call - 6 years

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Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk of Council