

# Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes April 5, 2010 – 7:30pm

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Ms. Sandra Stemple  
Mr. Alan Bunker  
Mr. Chuck Feicht  
Ms. Joette Hightower Dedden  
Mr. Gary Pelkey

Absent: Mr. James Martin

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

*NOTE – This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, April 5, 2010. 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.  
Roll Call – 6 present

Ms. Dedden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Roll Call – 4 yeas (Mr. Bunker, Mr. Feicht, Ms. Stemple, Ms. Dedden)  
2 nays (Mayor Isaacs, Mr. Pelkey)

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

Mayor Isaacs stated that the Warren County Municipal League recently met in Mason and schedule their 08/18/2010 meeting at Der Dutchman. On 04/21/2010, WCML will hold a membership meeting at JD Legends at 6:00pm.

### **Disposition of Previous Minutes**

*Motion to approve the minutes of the 03/15/2010 meeting – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Ms. Dedden*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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

Sheriff Larry Sims (Warren County Sheriff's Office) discussed the following:

- Calls for service 2008 – 67,000, 2009 – 84,900
- Registered sex offenders 2008 – 397, 2009 – 524, 2010 – at 541now
- Concealed carry permits 5000 issues since 2006, 1790 in 2009 alone
- Foreclosures 2008 – 1300, 2009 – 1600, at same pace in 2010
- Transports of prisoners (to and from jail, to and from court) – 2008 – 4975, 2009 – 7600 (2500 of the total were for moving prisoners to and from Butler County jail)
- Temporary permission to renovate the jail to add 75 beds. \$1.2 million was spent for bed space alone at Butler County jail last year.
- Warren County Drug Task Force – John Burke, Director. 130 additional arrests made in 2009, two additional dogs added, handle DARE at 6 school districts in county (including Wayne Local Schools)

- Honor Guard available as time and personnel will allow

### **Old Business**

none

### **Reports**

#### (1) Standing Council Committees

- (a) Finance Committee – met 04/05/2010 at 6:00pm and discussed the post-audit meeting and the responses submitted. Tuesday 04/13/2010 at 5:00pm there will be an informational meeting regarding the income tax for all to attend.
- (b) Public Works Committee – has not met in April. The minutes of the March meeting are in Council's packet.
- (c) Special Committees – MOMS Committee – Ms. Dedden stated that the committee met 04/01/2010 and discussed the following:
  - Planting of trees on Main Street and plants in the pots. This will be done on 04/26/2010 and residents are encouraged to volunteer. The plants will be paid for by WAMA (Waynesville Area Merchants Association) and Chamber dues.
  - Sauerkraut Festival parking fundraiser
  - Trash in Veteran's Park. The committee asked the Mayor to get together a group of people to clean the park. Mayor Isaacs stated that the Village owns the park, so the Village should pay for it. He agreed to try and get a group together. Mr. Pelkey volunteered to help the cleaning efforts.
  - Next MOMS meeting 05/06/2010 at 5:30pm

Ms. Stemple congratulated Ms. Dedden on her recent wedding, Council agreed.

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

- thanked MOMS for their work on Main Street. He also thanked Lee Philpott for working with the pruner on the trees.
- Joe Coons passed away in the last few weeks, and the Chamber held a service to end mourning and offer condolences to family.
- 2010 Census. If a resident uses a post office box, then they may not have received a census form in the mail. Mr. Snell has contacted the Census department, and forms will be available in the Government Center soon.
- Lytle Tower bid opening will be held 04/08/2010 at 3:00pm. Mr. Bunker thanked Mr. Snell for pursuing bids for the tower project and encouraged residents to take a role of stewardship by picking up pieces of trash they find on the ground.

#### (3) Finance Director's report – Ms. Morris discussed the following:

- will be out of the office Wednesday and Thursday at the Auditor of State conference
- the 2007-2008 audit should be available soon, and the audit will be reviewed at the Council meeting following release. Mayor Isaacs asked when the audit would be available. Ms. Morris stated that she was told "soon," but she had also been told by the same people that it would be ready by September of last year.

Mr. Bunker asked about the procedure for the Charter Review appointment.

- Ms. Stemple stated that the Charter requires 15 applicants, and Council makes the appointments.
- Mr. Snell suggested going into Executive Session with Mr., Forbes to discuss the appointment this evening.

#### (4) Police Chief's Report – Chief Copeland discussed the following:

- Dispatch calls for service in March
- Metal detector donation from Springboro
- Read a list of meetings attended

Mr. Feicht asked if the Chief had noticed any trends in crime as mentioned by the Sheriff.  
- Chief Copeland stated that some crimes had increased, some decreased, but nothing significant at this point.

Mr. Bunker asked if the metal detector would be used for Council meetings.  
- Chief Copeland stated that the detector was mainly for Mayor's Court. He added that the Village is looking into grants to purchase a wand to assist. At this time though, it would be inconvenient to use for Council.

Mr. Forbes stated that the Charter Review Commission is composed of 15 applicants, appointed by Council. The Charter does not mention timing of meetings, but suggested meeting sooner to have time to get an proposed changes on the November ballot (deadline is in August).  
- Ms. Stemple asked if Council had to appoint 15 if there were not 15 applicants.  
- Mr. Forbes stated that the Charter reads "shall appoint 15," but if you don't have enough applicants, you cannot appoint 15.

Mayor Isaacs stated that he wanted on the committee, but his name is not on the list.  
- Ms. Morris stated that she had put applications in Council packets on two separate occasions and also emailed the Mayor the form. She requested that all applicants fill out a form requesting appointment to ensure that all applicants were actually interested in serving due to the time commitment required.

Mr. Snell stated that Planning Commission also needed appointed. Chad Bridgman has already been appointed. Amber Campbell and Lucien Hatfield are willing to continue to serve. Ray Otto and Darrell Watson would be willing to serve. The two Council members (Mr. Martin and Mr. Feicht) have already been appointed by Council.

Mayor Isaacs stated that the Mayor used to appoint the committees until the Council rules were changed, now we're at this late date without a Planning Commission.  
- Mr. Forbes stated that the Mayor has only ever had the ability to appoint Council members to Council committees (Finance and Public Works). The other boards and committees are governed by Village Charter and always have been.

Mr. Pelkey asked why there were two different forms to apply for appointment.  
- Mr. Snell stated that he did not know where the longer form came from, but in the interest of fairness, he asked all applicants to answer all the questions on the longer form. An email was sent to Council stating such.

(5) Law Director's Report – no report

**New Business**

none

**Legislation**

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*Ordinance 2010-009 – an ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to execute a mutual aid assistance contract*  
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- Mr. Feicht asked if this legislation is new or a renewal of previous legislation.  
- Chief Copeland stated that is a renewal of the agreement signed in 2008. An agreement was not done last year due to a new sheriff being elected.

*Motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2010-009 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Pelkey*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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*Ordinance 2010-006* – an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to direct the Finance Director to distribute funds donated to the Mayor for public and community services at the Mayor's discretion  
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*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2010-006 – Ms. Stemple*

*Second – Mr. Pelkey*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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*Ordinance 2010-007* – an ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to execute a lease agreement with the Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce for the Ohio Sauerkraut Festival  
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*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2010-007 – Ms. Stemple*

*Second – Ms. Dedden*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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*Resolution 2010-008* – a resolution stating the intentions of Council with respect to the outcome of the income tax ordinance referendum  
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*Motion to adopt Resolution 2010-008 – Ms. Stemple*

*Second – Mr. Bunker*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

*Motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment and compensation of a public employee and the appointment of public officials at 8:29pm – Mr. Bunker*

*Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Return from executive session at 9:38pm.

Roll Call – 6 present

*Motion to appoint the following to Planning Commission:*

*Amber Campbell and Lucien Hatfield for terms ending 12/31/2011*

*Chad Bridgman, Darrell Watson, Ray Otto for terms ending 12/31/2013*

*Chuck Feicht and Jim Martin for terms ending 12/31/2010*

*Motion made by Ms. Dedden.*

*Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

*Motion to appoint the following to Charter Review Commission:*

*1 - Chuck Dedden*

*2 - Gary Pelkey*

*3 - Cameron Daniels*

*4 - Richard Elliott*

*5 - William Stubbs*

*6 - Kimberley Kaan*

*7 - Warren Sheehan*

*8 - Pete Stemple*

*9 - Lonnie Schear*

- 10 - Darrell Watson
- 11 - Dave Stubbs
- 12 - Ron Kronenberger
- 13 - Ashley Bridgman
- 14 - Kier Holeman

*Motion made by Mr. Feicht*

*Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Mr. Forbes reminded Council to coordinate with Mr. Snell and Ms. Morris as the Planning Commission and Charter Review are public meetings and must be advertised and minutes must be kept.

*Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:42pm – Ms. Stemple*

*Second – Mr. Pelkey*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk of Council