

Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes October 4, 2010 at 7:30pm

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

Absent: Mr. Gary Pelkey

Village Staff Present: Jeffrey Forbes (Law Director), Bruce Snell (Village Manager), Staci Morris (Finance Director/Clerk of Council)

CLERK'S NOTE - This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, October 4, 2010. A DVD recording of the meeting is available from the Clerk of Council.

Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

Roll Call - 6 present

*Motion to excuse Mr. Pelkey from the meeting – Mr. Feicht
Second – Mr. Martin*

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Mr. Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor (for purposes of acknowledgements)

Mayor Isaacs discussed the following:

- asked all veterans to stand
- 09/29 Recovery Commission meeting. Paul Marshall stated that the Village is on track to get out of fiscal emergency next year
- * At the 10/18/2010 meeting, Mayor Isaacs asked to have the following added: "The Village still needs to watch their spending."
- attended the Ohio Municipal League's annual leadership training on 10/04 and recommended it to all Council members
- held the 10/02 Mayor's meeting at Der Dutchman

Disposition of Previous Minutes

*Motion to approve the minutes of the 09/20/2010 meeting - Ms. Stemple
Second – Ms. Dedden*

Roll Call - 4 yeas

2 abstentions (Mr. Feicht and Mr. Bunker)

Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments

none

Old Business

Mr. Feicht stated that he had viewed the last two meetings on DVD and witnessed the dialogue between the Mayor and Mr. Bunker. Mr. Feicht suggested revitalizing the Parks Committee to review work and plan for the future. He suggested looking at soliciting interest in the Parks Committee.

Mayor Isaacs stated that the Veteran's Memorial Park Committee finally raised enough money to rehab the park.

Reports

(1) Standing Council Committees

(a) Finance Committee – met 10/04 at 6:30pm and discussed the following:

- the Police Levy Fund was \$-400,000 at its worst, and at the end of September, the balance is \$30,000.
- the Letter of Engagement from the Auditor of State's office for 07/2010-06/2011. The Village share of the cost of financial oversight is \$2800. The reason the estimate is so small is because the AOS is not needed to complete the financial work of the Village as is needed in many other places in fiscal emergency.

(b) Public Works Committee – did not meet recently, but activities have been progressing

(c) Special Committees – none

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

- spoke with Leroy Sandy regarding the need for replacing broken light bulbs at Veteran's Park
- switched energy providers at a cost savings of around 40% in energy, which amounts to \$30,000+ per year
- the Village's new phone system will save at least \$350 per month in the first year and \$450 per month in the second year and thereafter
- COPS grant awarded to the Village. Shane Wiseman worked tirelessly on getting the grant in which the federal government pays for an officer for three years and the Village will pay for the fourth year. Mr. Snell recommended accepting the grant.
- 2010 Street Maintenance Program. The Chapman Street project was completed before school began and poly-fill patch has been applied to Thatcher Hill due to widespread cracking. The contractor put down a substance that looks like tar and spread gravel overtop. Once cars have had a chance to drive on it, the loose gravel is swept up and the cracks are filled. The project should be finished around the end of the week.

Mr. Bunker suggested the Police committee meet and make a recommendation to Council regarding the COPS grant.

- Ms. Stemple asked the Chief to prepare a report on how the officer will benefit the community.
- Mayor Isaacs stated that many places are laying off Fire and Police personnel.

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

- COPS grant and the savings over the term of the four years. Ms. Morris also suggested reserving the money needed for the fourth year in years one through three when the federal government is paying the cost of the officer.
- second half property tax has been received. The Police Levy Fund (B20) currently has a positive balance, but this will become negative in the next few months due to monthly expenses and revenue only twice per year. When property taxes are received in the spring, the fund will become positive and is projected to remain so. The Street Maintenance and Repair Fund (B01) is correcting itself due to the General Fund bearing 50% of expenses. This fund will become positive and is projected to remain so in the summer of 2011.

(4) Police Chief's Report - no report

(5) Law Director's Report – no report

New Business

none

Legislation

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*Resolution 2010-033* – 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 adopt Resolution 2010-033 as an emergency – Ms. Stemple
Second – Ms. Dedden

Mayor Isaacs asked Mr. Snell what the difference is between this agreement and the previous one.

- Mr. Snell stated that the cost has remained the same, but small changes have been made to ensure that the Village is covered in terms of liability, such as being named additional insured, held harmless, and indemnified.

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Executive Session

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment of a public employee at 8:02pm – Mr. Feicht

Second – Mr. Bunker

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Return from Executive Session at 8:07pm.
Roll Call – 6 present

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07pm – Ms. Stemple
Second – Mr. Feicht

Voice Vote – 6 yeas

Date: _____

Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk of Council