

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on _____, 2014.

The Council Meeting held on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 was opened by Mayor Stacy with the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Bolton performed roll call with all members of Council present with the exception of Ms. Nichols and Ms. Meister. Ms. Nichols is not expected to arrive, but Ms. Meister may arrive at any minutes. Clerk Bolton was present as well as Solicitor Hyle.

A Motion to Approve Minutes from the two previous Council Meetings – January 10th and January 14th -- was made by Randall; seconded by T. Myers. ALL YEAS.

Mr. Myers asked about a check that was issued to a resident and what it was for. The Clerk explained this resident had been paying \$50 monthly toward their garbage and did not realize he had such a high credit balance running until recently. Ms. Bolton explained as she understands the current garbage billing software does not print out a bill when someone is running a credit; therefore, this credit for garbage ran quite high before a refund was made. **A Motion to Pay Warrants & Vouchers and Adopt Pay Ordinance # 2 – 2015 made by Pastrick seconded by Randall. ALL YEAS.**

SOLICITOR LEGAL REPORT

The Solicitor explained we are finalizing the agreement with Drees for their help in repairing Laurelwood Drive. We will receive financial assistance in repairing Laurelwood Drive and are working with Drees to receive their check earlier rather than later so that we are all ready when it is time to bid to have this roadway repaired. Ms. Pastrick indicated a decision has to be made as to when to repair and many are thinking we should wait until the construction is complete and the heavy truck traffic diminished. There are still a couple options open for Edgefield repairs that are being reviewed.

Mr. Hyle indicated he is still working on the Curfew Ordinance and when the final version is ready he will email it to Council for their review at Safety on Monday night. He then reported to Council on the issues surrounding placing a possible request before the voters for a Police Levy. If Council opts to move forward with a possible August election, the Village would have to carry the entire cost of operating the precincts ourselves unless something else happens to be on the ballot for residents in August. There would be costs of \$2500 per precinct just to hold election and then about an additional \$3500 for advertising. The Mayor indicated that \$8500 is a lot to take out of the budget and he would like to wait until November when the total costs can be split. Mr. Myers also indicated he supports waiting until November. Deadline to submit for November is August 2nd, so we would need to submit for County Auditor certification in June with legislation authorizing the placement of the levy on the ballot taking place in July. At this time Council does not seem to support a special election in August for this levy.

The Mayor indicated he would have the Police Chief's evaluation done by the end of the week, but he would like Council to adopt legislation increasing his vacation from three weeks to four weeks beginning this year. The Mayor and Vice-Mayor both support this request since they believe he is doing a good job. Mr. Myers indicated he was supportive as well. Following discussion, Council took the following action:

RESOLUTION # 3-2015

Adjusting Vacation Leave for Police Chief Kraft

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #3-2015, a Resolution Adjusting Vacation Leave for Police Chief John P. Kraft made by S. Myers; seconded by Pastrick. ALL YEAS.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

The Clerk had nothing special to report.

At this time, the Mayor recognized Melissa Casebolt who wanted to update Council on her efforts to secure spots in the Village of Cleves for her Compassionate Garden project. Her two preferred spots are still the area behind the Water Works office complex on Main Street and behind the Gazebo on S. Miami. John Tisch owns the property the Gazebo sits on and the Village owns the property on Main Street. A discussion was held about these two spots and the Clerk indicated she

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would get the current lease agreement for the Gazebo property and get it for the Mayor. Compassionate Gardens is a legal business but they have not received their 501C yet. Melissa would like verbal consent from the Village officials in order to move forward with her plans. All Council members present gave their verbal support of her project.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Not normally given at the second meeting of the month.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Ms. Meister, Safety Committee Chair, was not present to report.

Ms. Nichols, Park Committee Chair was not present to report.

Ms. Jan Pastrick, Finance Committee Chair, mentioned she had distributed the minutes from the last Finance Meeting for everyone to review. Mr. Myers asked the Clerk if she could be more clear and concise on some of the documentation she distributed at the Finance meeting in January. A discussion was then held about the documents in questions. The Clerk indicated she would take a look at the spreadsheets right after the meeting and see if she could clear things up since she didn't have them in front of her at this time.

Ms. Pastrick indicated the Clerk had forwarded her the new rates for our employees and they are less than 8%, pretty good actually. She did not believe this increase warranted any lengthy process to rebid and try to change our current provider. The next meeting of Finance is February 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Tiffney Myers, Planning & Zoning Committee Chair, had nothing to report. Next Planning meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 4th at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Randall, Public Works Committee Chair, also had nothing new to report. Next Street Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Myers, Communications Committee, announced his next Committee Meeting is scheduled for 2/23 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stacy indicated he met with employees last Friday concerning Council's decision to hire a Village Administrator. He thought the meeting went well and he did receive questions about what the Water Works revenue would be spent on; what would happen to the Street Commissioner; and also what would happen to the Board of Public Affairs. He indicated there is uncertainty among employees but he did indicate costs that can be shared will be. He also wanted to stop the rumors that are flying around that Water Works revenue will be supporting the Police budget. He does not know where this comes from but wants to make it clear that this cannot happen. Ms. Pastrick indicated she has met with the Police Chief and discussed budget related issues for 2015 and the Chief is appreciative of Council's attempts to support his needs.

Mayor Stacy encouraged anyone with questions about some of the future changes in the Village to come to our meetings. The Mayor acknowledged a couple people in attendance, someone from Hamilton County library and the new Three River's Superintendent.

A Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. S. Myers; seconded by Ms. Pastrick. ALL YEAS.

MAYOR DANNY STACY

CLERK LINDA BOLTON