

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on March 11, 2015.

Mayor Stacy began the March 11, 2015 Council Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. All members of Council were present. The Clerk had a family emergency, but was expected to arrive by 7:30. Solicitor Hyle was absent.

A Motion to Approve the Previous Council Meeting Minutes was made by Randall; seconded by S. Myers. ALL YEAS. A Motion to Pay all Warrants & Vouchers and Adopt PORD # 5-2015 was made by Pastrick; seconded by T. Myers. ALL YEAS.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Mayor asked Council to consider legislation establishing a revised schedule of fines for violations of the provisions of the Ohio Basic Code within the Village of Cleves. A discussion was held about this and the Mayor expressed his thoughts that he feels this is necessary to bring our fines and fees more in line with other municipalities. This should assist violators in paying fines by being ore financially reasonable. A discussion was held about the date the Ordinance would go into effect. Chief Kraft requested a date of April 1st to allow time to update the payouts for the officers to give out. Council agreed to the modification of the effective date.

ORDINANCE # 4 – 2015

Establish Schedule of Fines for Violation of Ohio Basic Code Violations

A Motion to Introduce Ord#4-2015 was made by S.Myers; seconded by T.Myers. ALL YEAS.

A Motion to Suspend Rules and Read by Title only made by S.Myers; seconded by T.Myers. ALL YEAS.

A Motion to Adopt Ordinance #4-2015 was made by S.Myers; seconded by T.Myers. ALL YEAS.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

WATER WORKS

Superintendent Winhusen had nothing special to report.

STREETS

Street Commissioner Duncan brought Council up-to-date on the road salt inventory. He is going to place the order to repay Delhi and the State what we owe them. Mr. Duncan thanked the Police for their assistance in removing the pole at the intersection of Miami and E. State. He also wanted to express appreciation to his employees for their dedication this winter through long hours and equipment breakdowns. He mentioned he was asked about the grinding of the road on Bridgetown near the Crossroads church but he and Chief Ober have contacted ODOT and they were not able to provide an answer. At this time a discussion was held about an issue with local construction causing flooding issues on property. It was the consensus of Council that the department simply does not have the resources to contract out work on private property.

(Clerk Bolton arrives at 7:25 p.m.) Mr. Duncan also indicated he contacted Mills Fencing to get more information about the new fence around the skate park. Following discussion, **A Motion to Approve the Spending not to Exceed \$2500 to Replace Fence at the Skate Park and Use Investment Monies made by Meister; seconded by Pastrick. ALL YEAS.**

At this time Mayor Stacy informed Council about the Auction being held to sell property owned by RBDB on Thursday, May 20th at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Duncan also informed Council about his plan to setup a maintenance check of our traffic signals on a yearly basis. Other issues brought up during Mr. Duncan's report were: Breakdown and report for multiple vehicle repair costs; Cost to repair flags and flag poles for the street flags; Coleberry MSD project going on; and a discussion by Council concerning the request of Drees to release some bonds on streets in Coleman Woods. It was determined no move on the bonds were necessary at this time.

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FIRE

Chief Ober reported on the February detail numbers; five (5) fire details and 20 EMS details.

POLICE

Chief Kraft began by expressing his wish that the new condensed version of his monthly reports is acceptable to Council. They agreed it was. He then reviewed February detail numbers and reported he found it odd that there were no reports issued on any Wednesday in February. He indicated \$180 was spent for drug testing at the Coroner's office due to the drug case at the school. He updated Council on some cruiser repair costs for car #4. He then informed Council of three current part-time officers who have recently left to pursue positions in other communities. He is grateful to some current officers who are sending replacement candidates to interview and put in for the openings. He would still like to explore the possibility of replacing some of the part time slots with full time officers. Ms. Pastrick asked when he would have time to meet and discuss this issue and the Mayor asked that he also be included in the meeting. He wanted to thank Chris Masminster and Mike Webb who have stepped up and taken more shifts to help us through this officer shortage.

Chief Kraft then asked Council to consider hiring two new part time officers. He detailed their experience and backgrounds to Council and asked them to support the hiring of Logan Stalf and Jarred Robinson. Following discussion, Council took the following action: **A Motion to Hire Jarred Robinson as a Part-Time Police Officer for \$14.00 per hour and a one-year probation made by Meister; seconded by Pastrick. ALL YEAS. A Motion to hire Logan Stalf as a Part-Time Police Officer for \$14.00 per hour and a one-year probation made by Meister; seconded by Pastrick. ALL YEAS**

COUNCIL REPORTS

Safety Committee Chair Geri Meister had nothing special to report other than a reminder of later meetings: Board of Public Affairs on Tuesday, March 17th at 2:00 p.m. and next Safety Meeting on April 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Chair Jan Pastrick indicated the next Finance Meeting was scheduled for next Wednesday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. She then asked Clerk Bolton if she was ready to review the 2015 final appropriations. Clerk Bolton asked Council if they were ready to adopt permanent appropriations as presented at the last Finance Meeting and reviewed by them since then.

ORDINANCE # 3 – 2015

ADOPTION OF 2015 FINAL APPROPRIATIONS

A Motion to Introduce Ord#3-2015 was made by Pastrick; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.

A Motion to Suspend Rules and Read by Title only made by Pastrick; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.

A Motion to Adopt Ordinance #3-2015 was made by Pastrick; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.

Planning Committee Chair Tiffiney Myers is pleased the pole has been removed at Miami & E. State. Mayor Stacy indicated he was meeting Friday with everyone involved in the Zoning procedures to be sure everyone is on the same page and to clarify everyone's duties as they relate to various nuisances around the Village.

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Street Committee Chair Megan Randall mentioned some residents came to the Street Committee Meeting to concerning parking issues on Porter and the condition of the alley off Scott Street. Mr. Duncan will be calling the residents concerning what can be done with alley on Scott Street and the Police are going to be asked to check into the parking concerns on Porter Street. The next Streets Meeting will be held April 14 at 6:00 p.m. and Mr. Duncan wanted everyone to know they will be getting to pothole repairs soon.

Communication Committee Chair Steve Myers has not held a meeting since last Council Meeting. The website has been updated with Mayor's Court and BPA Meeting Minutes added. Next Communications Meeting scheduled for March 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stacy reminded everyone the Miami Township Health Fair is coming up and he has received an email from Judy Bingle about a festival/fair being held on Tuesday 5/26 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Taylor Football Field for the kids. She would love to have the Village represented in a booth concerning summer safety. He would like us to put some thought in how we could participate. He would also like Council to get the word out about the vacant Council Seat.

Lastly, he reported the ongoing lawsuit concerning Officer Blanton and Mayor Stacy has been settled in the Village's favor.

A Motion to Enter Executive Session concerning Employment of Personnel made by Meister; seconded by Randall. ALL YEAS. (Clerk stayed to close the meeting but was not present in session.)

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Meister; seconded by Randall. ALL YEAS.

Mayor Danny Stacy

Clerk Linda Bolton