

The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

January 11, 2006

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Bob Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Bowen. Law Director Brad Bryan, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky, and Fire Chief Gary Vojtush were also present.

Mr. Nehez made a motion to amend the fourteenth paragraph (Old Business) of the minutes of the December 28, 2005 regular Council meeting to state that Mr. Nehez, not Mr. Lewis, asked about the status of the Burger King property. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Mr. Stewart and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes.

There were no Petitions, Memorials or Remonstrances. Mayor Milani had nothing to report at this time, except that he had received a request (letter attached) from the Nordonia Hills Athletic Association to utilize our baseball fields again this year. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Bowen, to allow the use of the fields from 4/17/06 to 7/22/06. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Finance Director Bob Riedel reported that he had distributed copies of financial statements and reconciled bank statements for the month of December, 2005. He advised Council that this year they will receive both their Council pay and expense checks in the second payroll of each month.

Mr. Wasosky presented his Engineer's report, a copy of which is attached. It deals with: (1) payment problems regarding the contractor and a subcontractor for the Chestnut and Rosewood Reconstruction Project; (2) the Storm Water Pollution Phase II Program; and (3) Mr. Wasosky's contract renewal. Discussion regarding priority projects for 2006 as well as the application for a \$20,000 grant for Huntington Park ensued.

Mayor Milani read Resolution 2006-01, an emergency Resolution continuing the appointment of Richard S. Wasosky of Euthenics, Inc. as the Village Engineer for the period of January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. A motion to suspend the Three-Reading Rule was made by Mr. Stewart and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes. Mr. Lewis made a motion for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the appointment was approved with 6 aye votes.

Law Director Brad Bryan had nothing to report at this time. The Mayor advised Council that Lia Calalesina's disciplinary hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18th at noon, and former Police Lieutenant Louthan's appeal hearing is set for February 16th.

Fire Chief Gary Vojtush stated that his Department's annual report will be completed in the next three or four weeks. He scheduled a Fire and Safety meeting for Tuesday, January 17th at 7:30 PM at the Fire Station. Gary further reported that his Department has purchased new jackets to be paid for by the Fire Association. The old jackets are being phased out. Mayor Milani reported that a meeting has tentatively been set for next Wednesday at 7:00 PM in Macedonia to discuss the merits of a fire district, which would include the Village, Northfield Center, Sagamore Hills and possibly Macedonia, although Macedonia would not have much to gain by such a merger. Chuck Lewis presented Chief Vojtush with a \$200.00 Wal-Mart gift certificate from the Macedonia Fire Department to be donated to the Vincent Avenue fire victims.

There will be no Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, January 18th. Mrs. Greenlee reported that the Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, January 23rd at 7:30 PM.

There were no reports from Roads and Public Works or Health and Welfare. Mr. Stewart presented his Buildings and Grounds report (copy attached). It lists the committee's priorities for the coming year, stating that completing the first three and starting on another one or two would translate into a successful year. Mr. Stewart clarified number 2 on the list, explaining that there is one set of bleachers to be split between Smith and Huntington Parks.

There were no reports from Wages and Working Conditions or Fire and Safety, nor was there any Old or New Business. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and a second by Mr. Stewart. The motion carried with 6 ayes. Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Kennon, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council

Clerk of Council