

The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jesse J. Nehez at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited

ROLL CALL: The Roll Call was taken by the Finance Director, Monica James. The following were present: - Mayor Jesse J. Nehez; Beatrice Greenlee, Mary Volny, John Bolek, Linda Bowen, John Schlueter, and Karyn Selle. In addition, Law Director, Brad Bryan, Engineer Richard Wasosky, Lt. Tim Cingel, Service/Building Supervisor, Jason Walters, Chief Mark Wentz and Administrative Asst/Service-Building Dept. Secretary Lisa Rodriguez were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor asked for approval of the January 23, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

John Bolek made a motion for approval of the minutes. However Council was reminded that the motion for the members of the Planning Commission were needed.

Karyn Selle believes that she seconded the motions but not sure who made the motion.

John Bolek believes that he made the motion for Mr. Magisrelli but not for Mr. Miladinovic.

Discussion: What can be done, since the recorder did malfunction and cannot determine who made the motions. Per Brad Bryan will go on the next agenda.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES:

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

A. MAYOR JESSE J. NEHEZ stated that Mr. Robert Kolacz will be retiring from the Fire Department after 35 years of service. Plans are being made to recognize Mr. Kolacz.

Mayor Nehez also stated that the 1st rounds of interviews for the new Fire Chief have been completed. Will begin the second round next week. Out of 12 candidates has narrowed it down to 3 candidates. The Mayor should have a recommendation for Council by the March meeting.

B. FINANCE DIRECTOR MONICA A. JAMES stated:

- Jay Mutter and she are continuing to work on getting the OTAS program running

John Bolek stated that he spoke to the Finance Director last week and was advised that the Budget would be presented to Council by Monday, as of today have not received it.

Monica James explained that with everything going on, and the complexity of preparing the Budget it is taking longer than expected. Mrs. James further stated that her plan was to work on President's Day and have the budget completed before she left work that day.

C. ENGINEER RICHARD WASOSKY – see attached report.

D. LAW DIRECTOR BRADRIC BRYAN stated:

- The Garbage Removal Contract will expire in September. Mr. Bryan is preparing the necessary

Legislation to go for bids, will have to Council soon. Bids will include prices for recycling and senior discounts

- Temporary Signs are no longer permitted but based on new information presented by Mr. Jason Walters, would Council like to revisit the issue

- New legislation on today's agenda, more will be on the next agenda. Still discussing items with Mr. Walters

- Has been working with Lt. Mackie on lights shining in neighbor's yards. A draft was presented to Council prior to tonight's meeting

- Will need to hold an Executive Session tonight to discuss pending litigation

- Is researching information presented by the Finance Director, as a department head, can do so, it would present a guideline to everyone for purchases. Mr. Bryan stated that once he has a more information, a work session may be needed.

E. DEPARTMENT HEADS:

1. Police Department, Chief Mark Wentz – see attached.

- Is reviewing applications, one part-time member has left for another municipality and may also have another member leaving

- also prepping for the opening of the Hard Rock, will need to hire additional manpower, but must also consider the training time for each person hired. It takes about 8 weeks to train someone

- Did some research on the Auxiliary but does not look promising

- Met with Mayor Nehez, Sgt. Zolgus and the company that installed the cameras in Macedonia, to determine if feasible for the Village to install additional cameras. Once issue with the wireless camera, is locating the necessary Wi-Fi for transmission back to the Police Department. The Fire Department has all ready committed to working with the Police Department, but need to determine if any of the business along the Route 8 corridor will allow us access to the Wi-Fi. Cameras in the Park, will need to be hardwired. In addition, Chief Wentz has spoken to Mr. Walters and he has agreed to use some of his budget to install cameras

Mrs. Volny asked why Mr. Walter's Budget.

Chief Wentz explained that Jason offered to help pay for them and ultimately, it all comes out of the General Fund.

Mr. Bolek stated that maybe the business would donate the Wi-Fi since would benefit the business

Mrs. Selle asked for clarification, Did Chief Wentz order the vehicle or has in his budget to order.

Chief Wentz explained that with the State Bidding had to order the vehicle.

Mrs. Selle asked about financing.

Chief Wentz stated that would not have to pay until March or April

Mr. Bolek stated that the Budget had not been approved, how can determine that will have the funds to pay for the vehicle.

Chief Wentz stated that has always been in Budget to purchase a vehicle per year, and this year he budgeted for two.

Mrs. Bowen stated that there has always been legislation for the vehicles

Chief Wentz stated that he could cancel the order

Mr. Bolek stated that he understood the Chief would like to purchase a car in the Spring and an SUV in the Fall.

Chief Wentz stated that most of his officers are over six foot tall which makes it difficult to get in and out of a normal vehicle. Chief Wentz is looking at purchasing an SUV in both the Spring and Fall.

2. Fire Department, Lt. Tim Cingel stated that Council did receive a copy of A/C Buss' report and he would be happy to answer any questions

Mrs. Volny asked if the new vehicle was in service

Lt. Cingel advised that it was in service, in addition at the last training, a Power Point presentation was given, with a small test, this test will go into everyone's file. If a member was unable to attend Tuesday's Training, they can watch the power point and take the test.

Mrs. Greenlee asked if the Fire Department had trained personnel to install child safety seats.

Lt. Cingel advised that due to the many different models, any asking is referred to the Ohio State Highway Patrol. At one time, Macedonia did have someone but that was when Graco was in their town.

Mr. Bolek asked what is the procedure when someone retires from the Fire Department.

Mayor and Lt. Cingel stated that something was being planned, further details would be forthcoming

3. Service/Bldg Dept. Supervisor, Jason Walters:

- Summit has been done and marked, Rich Wasosky will review
- Pump is out for repair, worst case is \$13,000.00
- 199 Ledge, coming along, still needs some paint, furnace and floors prior to moving into building
- Remodeling of the Clerk's Office, materials have been ordered, the major cost is the Bullet resistant window, will cost about \$3500.00 out of the total budget of \$18,000.00 for the entire room.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- A. **PLANNING COMMISSION**, KARYN SELLE – the tentative meeting scheduled for February 20, 2013, at 7:30 p.m., was cancelled
 - B. **CEMETERY BOARD**, BEATRICE GREENLEE had nothing to report.
 - C. **RECREATION BOARD**, MAYOR NEHEZ stated that the Board will meet the 1st Thursday in March.
 - D. **CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION**, MAYOR NEHEZ stated meeting scheduled for March 6 at 7:00 p.m.
- Resolution 2013-18 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Confirming The Mayor's Appointment of DAndre Kilgore To The Charter Review Commission

John Bolek made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Linda Bowen, passed with 6 ayes

Linda Bowen made a motion for passage, seconded by John Bolek, passed with 6 ayes

Resolution 2013-19 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Confirming The Mayor's Appointment of Sabrina Pines to the Charter Review Commission

Beatrice Greenlee made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

John Bolek made a motion for passed, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, and passed with 6 ayes

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. **FINANCE, JOHN BOLEK** stated the next meeting will be February 27, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
A preliminary budget hearing may be held prior to the meeting.
- B. **ROADS/PUBLIC WORKS, John Schlueter**, had nothing to report.
- C. **HEALTH AND WELFARE, Beatrice Greenlee**, had nothing to report.
- D. **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS, Karyn Selle**, had nothing to report.
- E. **WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS, Linda Bowen**, had nothing to report.
- F. **FIRE AND SAFETY, Mary Volny**, stated that there is a leaking fire hydrant on Cranbrook, it was reported, and yellow tape around it but no one has been out in about 2-3 weeks to repair.
Mr. Walters advised that the Water Department very slow.

LEGISLATION:

Ordinance 2013-20 1st Reading – An Emergency Ordinance Amending Sections 1042.14 and 1042.32 OF The Street, Utilities and Public Service Code Relating To Sewer Maintenance Fee Charges And Penalties For Delinquent Payments

Mr. Rich Wasosky and Mr. Jason Walters explained that there as not been an increase since 2001. At that time there was discussion that it should be a gradual increase over the years.

In addition there has been discussion to change the rate from a flat rate to a rate based on your water consumption, just like the current sewer charges.

Council wanted further time to review therefore, this will go on 2nd reading for next agenda

Ordinance 2013-21 1st Reading – An Emergency Ordinance Establishing sections 1064.03 and 1064.04 Of The Streets, Utilities And Public Services Code Relating TO Park Pavilion And Athletic Field Permits And Use

A few Council members were confused why charging for the porta-potty.

Mr. Walters explained that the Village rents a porta-potty for the season and any organization that rents the pavilion also pays a portion of rental of the porta-potty.

John Bolek made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, passed with 6 ayes

John Bolek made a motion for passage, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, passed with 6 ayes

Ordinance 2013-22 1st Reading – An Emergency Ordinance Amending Sections 1444.04 and 1444.99 Of The Building Code Relating To Fees For Point OF Sale Exterior Inspections and Penalties For Failure To Obtain A Certificate

John Schlueter made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

Beatrice Greenlee made a motion for passage, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

Ordinance 2013-23 1st Reading – An Emergency Ordinance Amending Sections 1610.01 And 1610.99(a)(1) And Establishing Section 1610.035 of The Fire Prevention Code

John Bolek made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

John Bolek made a motion for passage, seconded by Mary Volny, passed with 6 ayes

Ordinance 2013-24 1st Reading – An Emergency Ordinance Amending Sections 1424.03-.06 Of The Building and Housing Code Relating To Multi-Family Inspections and Standards

John Bolek made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

John Bolek made a motion for passage, seconded by John Schlueter, passed with 6 ayes

Resolution 2013-25 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Authorizing Euthenics, Inc. To Do The Final Design Work For The Summit Avenue Section Of The Summit Avenue, Northfield Road And Houghton Road Sewer Replacement and Elm Pump Station Elimination Project

John Bolek made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, seconded by Mary Volny, passed with 6 ayes

John Bolek made a motion for passage, seconded by Karyn Selle, passed with 6 ayes

OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bolek stated that Walton Hills will hold their Community Garage Sale on June 6-8, therefore the Village could hold ours the week before or after.

Mrs. Mary Volny stated that starting Friday, February 15, the VFW will have Fish Fries every Friday

Mrs. Linda Bowen stated that the next Blockwatch will be Wednesday, at the Fire Department.

Linda Bowen made a motion to conduct an Executive Session, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee

ROLL CALL: Beatrice Greenlee, aye; Karyn Selle, aye, John Bolek, aye; Linda Bowen, aye; Mary Volny, aye; John Schlueter, aye.

This motion was made at 09:44 p.m.

Linda Bowen made a motion to resume the regular meeting, seconded by John Bolek.

ROLL CALL: : Beatrice Greenlee, aye; Karyn Selle, aye, John Bolek, aye; Linda Bowen, aye; Mary Volny, aye; John Schlueter, aye.

A motion was made by John Bolek and seconded by Mary Volny to adjourn at 10:48 p.m.,
passed with 6 ayes

Respectfully submitted by:

Attest:

President of Council

Clerk of Council