

The Village of Northfield
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 23, 2008

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Bob Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Noack, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Bowen. Law Director Brad Bryan, Fire Chief Gary Vojtush, and Service/Building Superintendent Jason Walters were also present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2008 Council meeting was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes.

In Petitions, Memorials or Remonstrances, Summit County Council President Nick Kostandaras spoke about the Governor's stimulus package regarding "going green" as it relates to electric rates. Bill Roemer of Richfield, a candidate for Summit County Council, introduced himself and spoke briefly about his background and qualifications. Dan Neibauer of 212 Kennedy complained about debris on vacant lots in the Village.

Mayor Milani reminded Council that they are invited to attend the Northfield Park Wall of Fame ceremony honoring Arch Milani on Wednesday, April 30th at 6:00 PM. He further reported that options for financing a new Village Hall are being investigated, commenting that despite comments to the contrary, the Village can do roads and build buildings at the same time.

Finance Director Bob Riedel asked for a motion approving the Mayor's Court report for March, 2008. A motion accepting it as submitted was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes.

Law Director Brad Bryan had no report at this time. Fire Chief Gary Vojtush had nothing to report, but commented on the fence permit issued by Jason to David Klein. Mr. Klein apparently bypassed the County and State regarding approval for the outdoor patio, although he had been apprised by Planning Commission of the proper protocol. Gary was concerned about the width of the opening for egress in the event of a fire. A Fire and Safety meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7th at 7:30 PM.

Building/Zoning Superintendent Jason Walters reported that the road salt ordered eight weeks ago has finally arrived. Winter equipment has been stored, summer equipment is being maintained, and the new tow motor is here. Fell/Kennedy sewer repairs have been taken care of, and the Vincent project is under way. Hot patch should be available on April 28th. A pre-construction meeting for Birch Avenue is set for next Wednesday. Jason gave Northfield Collision until June 1st to clean up their dumpster area.

Bea Greenlee's report of the April 16th Planning Commission meeting is attached. No action was taken on Mr. Klein's plans. He was referred to the Summit County Building Department.

At this time, Brad read Ordinance 2008-26, an emergency Ordinance approving the payment of bills for the month of April, 2008. Mr. Nehez made a motion for passage, Mr. Noack seconded, and the payments were approved with 6 aye votes.

Mr. Noack of Roads and Public Works reported that the Service Department expects the new pickup truck to be delivered in a few weeks, and one John Deere mower needs to be repaired. There were no reports from Health and Welfare, Buildings and Grounds, or Wages and Working. Fire and Safety had already been covered.

In New Business, Mayor Milani announced that Administrative Clerk Cheryl Johansen will be retiring effective July 1, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Johansen

Cheryl Johansen, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council