

The Village of Northfield
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 26, 2007

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 Lt. Scott Selle, and Service/Building Superintendent Jason Walters were also present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2007 Council meeting was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Noack. It carried with 5 ayes and an abstention by Mrs. Bowen.

In Petitions, Memorials and Remonstrances, Yolanda Walker, Director of the SASWMA (Summit/Akron Solid Waste Management Authority) spoke about household hazardous waste recycling, community access grant funding and paper and telephone book recycling programs (literature attached). Terry Dalton, Executive Director of Community Support for the ADM (Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services Board) spoke about their services and urged everyone to vote for Issues 20 and 21 on November 6th.

Mayor Milani reported that he has been in touch with a clothing retailer based in Port Washington, New York as a possible anchor tenant (with naming rights) for the Plaza. They would utilize the entire Gabriel Brothers space. The Mayor added that Larry Shafron has promised that the Title/License Bureau will be located here before the end of 2007. Beggars' Night will take place on October 31st from 6:00 to 8:00 PM to coincide with Macedonia and Sagamore Hills, and the annual Halloween party will run from 5:30 to 8:30 on the same night at the Police garage.

Finance Director Bob Riedel had no report, but requested a motion for approval of the Mayor's Court report. Mrs. Greenlee moved to accept the Mayor's Court report as submitted, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the motion carried with 6 ayes.

Law Director Brad Bryan had nothing to report.

Fire Lt. Scott Selle reported that a price of \$99,000.00 has been negotiated with Wheeled Coach for a new demo model ambulance. One more signature is needed to allow the NVFD to use a Macedonia vehicle as a backup. Scott reported that the Department's clambake was a success. A bid for servicing Walton Hills will be available by the end of the week. With the spirit of cooperation in mind, Mayor Milani voiced his idea, in light of the new trash contract price (and numerous complaints by residents), of forming a consortium for trash pickup to give us better bargaining power and thus possibly a lower price.

Service/Building Superintendent Jason Walters reported that leaf pickup starts on Monday, November 5th. The Service Department is working at completing road patching

before that time. Six catch basins remain to be done. Grills and a swing set must be installed at Smith Park, and some sewer jetting has yet to be done. All of these projects must be completed before leaf pickup begins. A letter to business owners regarding enclosing garbage dumpsters has been drafted and will be sent (with a copy of the Ordinance) to businesses in violation of the law. Discussion ensued regarding the enforcement of the Ordinance (already on the books) relating to temporary and handmade signs, and it was decided that enforcement must be consistent. Brad informed the Mayor and Council that we are well within our rights taking down such signs. Jason will give copies of the Ordinance and a verbal warning to businesses in violation. As for the Ordinance to address outdoor patios at businesses, Brad will modify it by adding size and height requirements to aim toward uniform size throughout the Village. At this point, there is no need for a Planning Commission meeting in October.

Mrs. Greenlee reported that the Pay Ordinance is on tonight's agenda. At this time, Brad read Ordinance 2007-49, an emergency Ordinance approving the payment of bills for the month of September, 2007. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 aye votes.

Mr. Lewis of Roads and Public Works reported that as for the 4-wheeler issue on Vincent, Greenline has sold the property to Better Builders, so the liability and responsibility now fall on them. Mr. Noack of Health and Welfare had nothing to report at this time, nor did Mr. Nehez of Buildings and Grounds. Mr. Barber of Wages and Working reminded Council that union negotiations are set to begin on October 23rd. There was no report from Fire and Safety.

There was no New or Old Business. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Kennon

Cheryl Kennon, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council