

# The Village of Northfield

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

December 8, 2010

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:35PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Robert Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mrs. Selle, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Bolek and Mrs. Bowen. Mr. Noack was absent. Law Director Brad Bryan, Village Engineer Richard Wasosky and Sergeant John Zoligus were present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2010 Regular Council meeting, made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 5 ayes.

There was no business of petitions, remonstrances or memorials.

Mayor Milani has been told that the Dusk Til Dawn will be open by the end of the week, but there might be a delay in opening. Mayor Milani said that they we are gong to be very diligent before they open and Mr. Riedel and Chief Wentz would like to be there when they open. Mayor Milani said as far as Plaza management and the legal issues, he will have Mr. Bryan discuss that.

Finance Director, Robert Riedel said he will have the financials at the end of the week because he just received the bank reconciliations today.

Village Engineer, Richard Wasosky gave his report. (See attached) Law Director, Brad Bryan read Resolution 2010-73, emergency Resolution continuing the appointment of Richard S. Wasosky of Euthenics, Inc. as the Village of Northfield municipal engineer for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Selle. Mayor Milani thanked Mr. Wasosky for holding his costs down for next year and thanked him for being with us for over 26 years. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee and passed with 5 aye votes. Mr. Nehez asked Mr. Riedel how much more loan money that we have available after the \$715,140.00 and Mr. Riedel said last time he checked it was about \$1,100,000.00, so you have about another \$500,000.00 before you have to go to bonds and plus the fire truck will be coming up too and that is another \$90,000.00. Mr. Riedel said that we are up there and you won't be able to just go get loans without some kind of levies to cover.

Law Director Brad Bryan said that New Plaza Management was cited into Mayor's court for later this month which court is two weeks from yesterday. Mr. Nehez asked if Plaza Management has contacted Mr. Bryan at all, and he said no but he has been copied on letters from Mr. Shafron to Mr. Walters. Mr. Bolek asked Mr. Bryan if he had cited the cafe as well, and Mr. Bryan asked which cafe. Mayor Milani said the Espresso Yourself Cafe, and Mr. Bryan said no they received a letter from Mr. Walters and they have 10 days from the date of the letter to comply and he will follow up with Jason and he feels to cite them, then we will. Mr. Bryan said he is assuming that their attorney is going to show up and he will have discussions with them at that time about the history and show them the pictures.

Sergeant Zoligus said that the new cruiser is in and all the equipment was taken out of the old cruiser and they only had to purchase a couple new items. Mike Rizzo will pick the car up next Monday or Tuesday and install the equipment and the striping will be here in a couple days and in about 2 weeks the car will be on the road. Sgt. Zoligus said that we are mourning the loss of a Macedonia dispatcher and flowers were sent from the Village of Northfield and the viewing hours are tomorrow from 4p.m.-8p.m. Sgt. Zoligus said that Chief Wentz completed a grant for the new cruiser that is only given in the state of Ohio which is for \$30,000.00 which includes the car and equipment. The Chief got it done and only had 3-4 days to complete the grant information from the time he received it. This will be for the total package: the install, the striping, new computer which is about \$3,000-\$4,000 and a new video system from Watchguard which is just under \$5,000, and a new radar unit. This will be for a 2012 police interceptor since they are not making the crown victoria's any more. Sgt. Zoligus said that they will make their decision by June, and then the order goes in and the interceptors will be released in September. We are hoping to get this because this isn't replacing the car that was supposed to go, that car has about 90,000 and it is a 2008 and it needs a new transmission which is about \$2,000 and hopefully it will hold out. Mayor Milani said that car 836 backed into a telephone pole and asked about the damage details. Sgt. Zoligus said it happened around 4:30a.m. and officer VanNess called Sgt. Zoligus around 8:00a.m. and told him what happened and did a report and took pictures which he sent the pictures to Sgt. Zoligus phone and Sgt. Zoligus said that he thought the damage was going to be worse and when he saw the pictures he realized the damage wasn't that bad. Sgt. Zoligus then came into the station about 2 hours later and looked at it in person and realized it was a dent, they could just take it to dent wizard and pop it out. Sgt. Zoligus said he doesn't call Mayor Milani for dings and everything that happens to a car, and to Sgt. Zoligus said to him it wasn't about \$1,000 worth of damage and to replace the taillight and to replace it would be about \$145.00 and the dent to be fixed at Dent Wizard would be around \$40-\$50.00. Mrs. Greenlee asked Sgt. Zoligus if he had gotten an estimate for the damage, and Sgt. Zoligus said no and that is the reason he didn't send officer VanNess

for a drug test because his understanding was has to be \$1,000 in damage. Sgt. Zolcus said that on Coventry and Cambridge the telephone poles are very close to driveways.

Mrs. Greenlee of the Planning commission had no report.

Mrs. Bowen of the Finance committee said that there will be a Finance meeting on December 29, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Milani said that he stresses to four members of Council to attend this meeting, due to the fact that Mr. Noack and Mrs. Greenlee will be out of town and we need four Council members to approve the bills.

Mrs. Selle of the Road and Public Works Committee was in contact with Mr. Walters today and sent an email update out to all of Council regarding the holiday decorations. Mrs. Selle said clearing the snow in the Village has taken a precedent over decorations and as soon as we get a break in the snow, Mr. Walters said that he will take down the banners and then move on to holiday decorations. Mr. Walters said that there have been some minor repairs on the trucks, but they are only minor.

Mr. Bolek of the Health and Welfare Committee had no report.

Mr. Nehez of the Building and Grounds Committee said he would like to have a committee meeting some time next week to discuss architectural standards, signs and landscaping. Building and Grounds committee meeting is set for December 15, 2010 at 7:30p.m.

Mr. Noack of Wages and Working was absent. Sgt. Zolcus said that they have run into a snag with their contract with the language in four different items that the officers would like changed and it might take about an hour with an attorney, Mr. Bryan and Mayor Milani, so maybe setup the meeting for next Tuesday. Mrs. Selle said that it just needs to be done by the end of the month, and Mr. Riedel said it will continue until they do a new contract. Mrs. Selle said if it is non-monetary do we still have to vote on it on the 29<sup>th</sup> and Mr. Bryan said yes and if it isn't done then it can be done in January and make it retroactive. Mayor Milani said that from what he understand from Chief Wentz is that the changes are very trivial and Sgt. Zolcus said yes only four verbiage items need to be changed.

Mrs. Greenlee of the Fire and Safety committee gave her report. (See attached) Mrs. Greenlee thanked Sgt. Zolcus for giving such a complete report. Mr. Nehez asked Mrs. Greenlee if she has discussed the police department remodel with Chief Wentz, and she said no she has not. Mr. Nehez said he just wondered if Chief Wentz has mentioned anything to Mrs. Greenlee and she said not he has not. Mr. Nehez said that Chief Wentz had mentioned to him about getting donations for the remodel and Mayor Milani said that we would have to get donations because we will be saying no to a lot of things that we would have been able to consider in the past. Mayor Milani said that he and Mr. Riedel are just getting the budgets from all the department heads.

Law Director Brad Bryan read Resolution 2010-69, emergency Resolution authorizing certain amendments to the annual appropriation ordinance. Mr. Riedel said that the police department needed to increase their salaries and wages due to that increase this year and they decreased their personal benefits so one offsets the other and the net effect is zero. The buildings and lands had to be increased due to the electrical at the Village Hall. Sgt. Zolcus said that there is a safety concern with the light switches in the garage that they are loose when you flip the switch, could we get those fixed. Mr. Riedel said that you can't call back the electrical contractors back that we had here doing the work, they didn't work on that and that is entirely different. Mrs. Greenlee said that isn't new work that was just done. Sgt. Zolcus said maybe Jason or Chris could fix it, they just get a shock when they use the switch. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mr. Bolek and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Bolek and passed with 5 aye votes. Brad Bryan read Resolution 2010-70, emergency Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds from the general fund to the fire department fund. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Selle. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee and passed with 5 aye votes.

Brad Bryan read Resolution 2010-71, emergency Resolution to make temporary appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village for the period from January 1, 2011 through March 31, 2011. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee and passed with 5 aye votes. Mr. Riedel said that he probably will have the budgets done by the end of next week and will be in everyone's mailboxes by the end of next week for next year.

Brad Bryan read Resolution 2010-72, emergency Resolution requesting the Summit County fiscal officer, in the year 2011, to advance to the Village monies to which the Village is entitled from the proceeds of tax levies for the tax year 2010. A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mr. Bolek and seconded by Mrs. Selle. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Bolek and seconded by Mrs. Selle and passed with 5 aye votes.

There was no old or new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01PM following a motion by Mr. Bolek and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. The motion carried with 5 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by; \_\_\_\_\_  
Lisa M. Rodriguez, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

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President of Council                      Clerk of Council