

The Village of Northfield
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 13, 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. Noack, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Bowen. Law Director Brad Bryan, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky, Police Chief Mark Wentz and Fire Chief Gary Vojtush were also present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 29th Council meeting was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 5 ayes and an abstention by Mr. Nehez.

At this time, the Mayor introduced Lou Berroteran, Executive Director of the Summit County Mayor's Association, who spoke about NEOSO (the Northeast Ohio Sourcing Office). The non-profit organization leverages its group power to find the best prices of various services and materials for its members. There is no cost to join, but members pay a fee to use one of their offerings. Thirty communities are members as of this date.

Mayor Milani reported the recent opening of Cell City at Gabriel Brothers Plaza. Larry Shafron has assured the Mayor that the Plaza will be filled again in March. The karate institute will open soon at the former Burger King Property. The Mayor thanked Gary and the Fire Department for their Santa tour last Sunday and reminded everyone that the employee Christmas party is Friday at 12:30 at Spennato's.

Finance Director Bob Riedel reported that he had distributed copies of financial statements and bank reconciliations for the month of November. A motion to accept them as submitted was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes. Mayor Milani mentioned that the Village has made over \$30,000 in interest as a result of Bob's sweeping the accounts every day.

Mr. Wasosky presented his Engineer's report, a copy of which is attached. It deals with: progress on the Beach Avenue/part of Electric Blvd. Reconstruction Project; elimination of the Steeplechase II Pump Station; Issue 2 funding for the Birch Avenue Reconstruction Project; and the completion of CAD master sanitary sewer and master storm sewer maps.

Law Director Brad Bryan had nothing to report at this time.

Police Chief Mark Wentz's report is attached. It includes a juvenile enforcement update; the Chief's participation in the CVCC's Public Health and Safety program; the participation of Officers Carlile, Kelley, Zajac and Kaetzel in area sobriety checkpoints conducted by the Summit County OVI Task Force; and the installation of the demo digital camera system in car #838

At this time, Brad Bryan read Resolution 2006-63, an emergency Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the OPBA relating to pay for Part-Time Police Officers on special task force assignments. A motion to suspend the Three-Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Bowen made a motion for passage, Mrs. Greenlee seconded, and the Amendment was accepted with 6 aye votes.

Fire Chief Gary Vojtush had no report, but stated that the ambulance billing contract will be in tomorrow morning.

Mrs. Greenlee reported that the Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 20th at 7:30 PM. The next Council meeting is on Thursday, December 28th at 7:30, with a Finance Committee meeting preceding it at 6:30 PM. Mr. Lewis of Roads and Public Works reported that the broken bracket on the plow truck has been fixed, and road salt has been replenished. Mr. Noack had nothing to report for Health and Welfare. Mr. Nehez of Buildings and Grounds asked for a Buildings and Grounds meeting on December 18th at 7:30 PM. A quote for park pavilions is attached. Mr. Barber of Wages and Working Conditions requested a meeting, which will be combined with Buildings and Grounds into a general work session on December 18th at 7:30. Mrs. Bowen of Fire and Safety thanked the Fire Department for the good job they did on the Santa tour.

Brad read Resolution 2006-62, an emergency Resolution authorizing certain amendments to the Annual Appropriation Ordinance. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 6 ayes. Mr. Barber made a motion for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the amendment was approved with 6 aye votes.

Last on the agenda was Proclamation 2006-64, a Proclamation honoring the Nordonia Knights Football Team for an outstanding 2006 season. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 aye votes.

In Old Business, the Mayor and Bea asked for Council approval to donate \$250.00 to "Gifts from the Heart," which supports children at the University Hospital's Ireland Cancer Center. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Bowen, to donate \$250.00, and the donation was approved with 6 aye votes. Mayor Milani reported on the Council committee heads named at the Organizational meeting on December 1st (list attached). The Mayor will take over the Cemetery Board post this year. Mrs. Greenlee thanked her peers on Council for their confidence in re-electing her Council president. This will be her 10th year in that position. Chief Wentz is selling tickets for the FOP's "Shop with a Cop" raffle. He announced that he will be a grandfather for the third time on December 20th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Kennon

Cheryl Kennon, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council