

Village of Clinton
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Of
Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tom and recited by all those present.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Bonnie Dilworth, Janice Godwin, Bud McDaniel, Sharley Greer, Kent Goch, and Marissa Gensimore.

Others Present: Leah Weirick, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Approval of Council Minutes: Council having ascertained the theoretical nature of the Main Street Culvert Project estimated timeline put forth on page one, Mr. McDaniel motioned to accept the minutes as written. Second by Mr. Goch.

Roll Call: Mrs. Godwin, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Greer, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Gensimore, and Ms. Dilworth all voted Aye, and the motion passed.

Solicitor's Report: No Report.

Police Report: No Report.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Frey reported that 46 calls were answered during the month of January, nine of them fire-related, and the remainder for ambulance services. A training session had been conducted on the fairly new 450-megahurt radio system.

Having earned \$2,500.00 from the sale the 1985 squad car through Skipco, the Village had netted \$2,375.00 after fees, which was \$1,000.00 more than had been anticipated.

He then introduced Lieutenant James Heims a 25-year veteran of and medic with the New Franklin Fire Department. His resume had been distributed to Council, and Chief Frey recommended that Mayor Knack recommend him to Council as a qualified candidate for hire, which in turn he did.

Mr. McDaniel moved to accept and hire Mr. Heims, and Ms. Dilworth seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Greer, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Gensimore, Ms. Dilworth, and Mrs. Godwin all voted favorably and the motion passed.

While Chief Frey was in audience, Mrs. Greer informed him that he could expect to be contacted by John Cavalier or Whitney Spencer of the Summit County Land Bank in regards to the Summit County Land Bank side lot demolition project for the Tersigni property located on Second Avenue in Warwick. Once legal authority to enter the premises had been obtained, an environmental assessment would follow, requiring the presence of fire personnel.

Street Commissioner's Report: No Report.

Fiscal Officer's Report: No Report.

Unfinished Business:

Mr. McDaniel had attended the library's annual Retract conference. He described an iPhone app, "Does it Recycle?" which can help users determine whether items in question are recyclable products. Also, scrap tires would be accepted at 1201 Graham Road on the 29th of April, with a one dollar cash fee per tire. Having learned that Kimble accepts recyclables all the way to category seven, his report was thusly concluded.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Knack informed Council that O.H.M. would be rewriting the legislation it had passed in regard to the Main Street Project, as Council's version had been deemed inadequate, and that changes would be received in time enough to accommodate three readings.

Himself and Mr. Goch had agreed to split the cost of the Akron Rubber Ducks between themselves. And with Mr. Siegenthaler, Mayor Knack had patched some roads. Especially in the Warwick area, a solid base will produce better resurfacing results in the future.

The dwelling at the end of Seventh Street, which had also found itself at the center of the notorious street sign switch, had been condemned by the Health Department.

Mayor Knack had been in contact with the owner of the Clinton Aluminum building in regards to a potential sale of land behind the structure. While the land itself is buildable, drainage issues would first need to be addressed.

He had attended the Tools for Smart Development seminar, which had featured four thoroughly knowledgeable presenters. Among the topics discussed was the diminishing need to integrate designated parking areas into plans for development, as vehicles are rapidly approaching autonomy. Mr. McDaniel called attention to the disappearance of hitching posts prominent in Bicentennial photographs. He also encouraged Mayor Knack to load the seminar's digital highlights to Village Hall's new shared drive.

Mayor Knack had been in contact with Zoning Inspector Bill Funk, whom had requested they meet with Solicitor Pitchford in regard to the trailer issue developing in the Hillside area. Local residents have been voicing malcontent with the eyesores.

Mrs. Gensimore moved to combine the Council Communications and Council Committee Reports into one until such time as the rules could be amended to reflect this decision. Second by Ms. Dilworth.

Roll Call: Mrs. Greer, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Gensimore, Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Godwin, and Mr. McDaniel all voted Aye. Motion passed.

Council Committee Reports/Council Communications:

Mayor Knack indicated to Mrs. Godwin that, with Clinton's fire contract set to expire at the end of 2017, April or May would be a good time for conversation to begin in its regard. With each party largely satisfied, only some small wrinkles would require ironing prior to renewal.

Mrs. Greer, revisiting the Summit County Land Bank side lot demolition project for the Tersigni property located on Second Avenue in Warwick relayed that Mr. Cavalier had provided assurance, via telephone, that its demolition would be fully realized during the year 2017. Similarly, the structure at 7677 North Fourth Avenue was currently in foreclosure proceedings, and its demise would occur within the same calendar year.

Due to her inability to attend, she stated the need for Council presence at March 7th's Planning Commission meeting, where Mr. Funk would be addressing the canoe livery. Mayor Knack invited all of Council to be present but noted that the official responsibility in such capacity fell to Council President Mr. McDaniel.

Mrs. Greer had received one piece of legislation from Solicitor Pitchford, and would be requesting an amendment to the agenda allowing its addition, in order that it gains passage that evening. Replacing R-17-03, this was the pay increase legislation that Council had tailored at its previous meeting. Jake-braking legislation would also be introduced in legislation. She reminded Council of the need for a Records Commission meeting.

Regarding the Village's website, Mrs. Greer emphasized the legislation index as a priority for annexation, and articulated her disappointment in Council biographies posted thereon.

In the interest of expediting its availability for constituent perusal, Mrs. Greer then moved to approve the Laws and Ordinances Committee Meeting Minutes attached to the packets.

Seconded by Mr. Goch, the motion went before the members of the Laws and Ordinance Committee.

Roll Call: Mr. Goch, Mrs. Godwin, and Mrs. Greer all voted Aye. Motion passed.

Mrs. Gensimore reported that the Community Development Committee had enlisted Mrs. Weirick's help in researching means of and methods for funding community events.

She implored Council members who had not already done so to provide biographical information for the Village website, and offered her public apology to Mrs. Greer for the oversights which had occurred with her personal sketch. She assured Mrs. Greer that she had addressed the situation earlier that day when it had first been brought to her attention.

For the Community Newsletter, Mrs. Gensimore asked Mr. Goch to submit an article with information on upcoming road projects, and encouraged readers in Clinton, Lawrence Township, and Canal Fulton to turn in completed word searches. The forthcoming edition will award one winner from each community four tickets for a canal boat ride.

Legislation:

First Readings

Ordinance O-17-5

An Ordinance approving and adopting Section 337.31 Jake-braking and engine braking, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Greer moved to amend the agenda to add an item to the agenda, Ordinance O-17-6. Mr. McDaniel seconded.

Roll Call: Mrs. Gensimore, Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Godwin, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Greer, and Mr. Goch all voted Aye; motion passed.

Mrs. Greer read the title: Ordinance O-17-6, an Ordinance establishing the pay rates for certain employees retroactively to January first, 2017, and declaring an emergency.

Citing the need for its passage that evening, she motioned to suspend the Three Reading Rule, and Mr. McDaniel seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Godwin, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Greer, Mr. Goch, and Mrs. Gensimore all voted Aye, and the motion passed.

Mrs. Greer then moved to adopt Ordinance O-17-6, an Ordinance establishing the pay rates for certain employees retroactively to January first, 2017, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion centered around an error in Section One as to the pay rate awarded to part-time fire medic staff, which was duly corrected.

Mrs. Greer made a motion to adopt Ordinance O-17-6 as amended. Second by Ms. Dilworth.

Roll Call: Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Greer, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Gensimore, Ms. Dilworth, and Mrs. Godwin all voted Aye, and the motion passed.

Citizens' Comments: No Comments.

New Business: None.

General Discussion:

Ms. Greer, having received the requested clarification on some revenue register entries, appreciated the Assistant Fiscal Officer's comprehensible recordkeeping. Correspondingly, Mayor Knack elaborated on another donation listed therein. The cemetery had contributed \$200.00 to the Village in demonstration of gratitude for an act of kindness on behalf of the Village's Street Superintendent.

Presentation of Bills:

Ms. Dilworth moved to accept all new P.O.s issued, and invoices paid, through February 14th, 2017. Seconded by Mrs. Greer, the motion passed with all voting favorably by voice.

Meeting was adjourned.

Alta Krueger
Lue Smith
Mrs. Greer