

Village of Clinton
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Of
Tuesday, July 17th, 2018

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Tuesday, July 17th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Susan Smith and recited by all those present.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ellen Conroy, Janice Godwin, Bud McDaniel, Clarissa Allega, and Marissa Gensimore.

Others Present: Allen Knack, Mayor; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; Mrs. Susan Smith, Mrs. Diane Gunter, Mrs. DeAnna Passmore, and Mr. Lewis Rash.

Approval of Council Minutes:

Mrs. Godwin moved to accept the minutes as written, and Mrs. Allega seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Godwin: Aye; McDaniel: Abstain; Allega, Gensimore, and Conroy: Aye.

Solicitor's Report: No Report.

Police Report: No Report.

Fire Chief's Report: In Packet.

Street Commissioner's Report: No Report.

Zoning Report:

The Planning Commission was currently in the process of updating and bringing the zoning ordinance for the Village current. A comprehensive plan encompassing framework with an eye toward the future would address multiple districts and allow for conditional use in some instances. Public hearings would be assembled prior to its implementation.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

Fiscal Officer Weirick requested Council consideration in amending the Codified Ordinances to better suit the new property and liability insurance. Whereas the abovementioned currently compel the Mayor, Zoning Officer, Council President, and Fiscal Officer be bonded, Ohio Revised Code requires only the Fiscal Officer be so. The liability terms of the new policy provided more coverage than the current bonds. The existing regulation need not be changed should Council so decide, but a desire to eliminate the unnecessary bonds would require alterations to the Codified Ordinances to take effect prior to their 2019 expirations.

Unfinished Business: None.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Knack suggested Council rearrange its next convene from the seventh of August to the sixth, as an upcoming special election presented a scheduling conflict for Village Hall.

Mr. McDaniel motioned to move the August seventh Council meeting to August sixth, at the same time, and Mrs. Gensimore seconded.

Further discourse on zoning was set to occur among the Planning Commission just prior to the newly timetabled Council meeting.

Roll Call: McDaniel, Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, Godwin: Aye.

Among those who'd attended the previous Tuesday's ribbon cutting ceremony for the new road had been Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro, Village Engineer Dave Krock, and the grant awarder who'd made the project possible.

The Mayor had that day finalized CDBG paperwork surrounding the previous project, and identified ADA accessible senior walkways as the following year's application submission. Preliminary discussions of what might be possible were underway.

Street Superintendent Seigenthaler, Mayor Knack noted, had received complaints concerning new construction on Cleveland-Massillon Road. Upon investigation, it was determined that all necessary permits were in place and the endeavor was being executed within the guidelines established by law.

Council Communications and Committee Reports:

Mrs. Gensimore was advised that since advertising costs for the community yard sale had been built into 2018's budget, which Council had approved, posting announcement mandated no further authorizations.

She referenced the OVMP's need for volunteer assistance with its 2018 Run To The Wall event, to be held August 4th. For Applefest in September, booth entries, donations, and volunteers were also being sought.

Having been present at a recent meeting of the Planning Commission, Mrs. Gensimore had observed that as the record keeper of the Village's Zoning Ordinances, the job designation of Village Secretary Mayberry would need expanded, among several other changes to follow suit. While some misgivings were expressed as to whether the multifaceted issue might be better examined first under Committee review, Council acquiesced that a title change was the initial step.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion that Council officially change the title of Secretary to Office Administrator. Second by Mr. McDaniel.

Mayor Knack noted that this should be done simultaneously with the Ordinances after passed by vote, and Fiscal Officer Weirick contributed that this could be accomplished were preparations completed in a timely manner for the next meeting of Council.

Roll Call: Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, Godwin, and McDaniel: Aye.

It was discovered during that evening's Community Development Committee convene that, instead of being up for renewal in September as Mrs. Gensimore had thought, the Village's contract with its web host and email provider had already been reinstated. She had contacted the current provider regarding issues with service and would conduct due diligence research into other such entities to facilitate a prudent decision at the appropriate time.

Mayor Knack noted an obstruction with the link between Clinton's website and that of the Historical Society, and it was determined that the difficulty was attributable to a glitch on the Historical Society's behalf. He emphasized the import of promoting Applefest via both sites.

Mrs. Gensimore then recalled for Council the sum of \$500.00 she'd requested in August, 2017, for the Community Development Committee, observing that it hadn't been put to use. She'd brought up to the Committee, she relayed, that former Councilperson Debbie Ikins, in her short time as chair of the Streets and Sidewalks Committee, had been part of the ground floor of planning for the recently completed bridge and culvert project.

Mayor Knack interjected that the abovementioned project was not that of Mrs. Ikins, but rather his own. It had been turned down, initially; only his persistence with Summit County Council was what ultimately won its approval. For the record, he stated, she had no involvement in that project. Now if [Council] wanted to do something, (they should) go ahead, but she had nothing to do with that project.

Mr. McDaniel recollected Mrs. Ikins playing a significant role in the project's groundwork.

Mrs. Gensimore propounded that, at any rate, an initiative to dedicate the bridge in honor to Mrs. Ikins had passed vote unanimously amongst the Committee; she then proposed Council dedicate the new bridge as the Debbie Ikins Memorial Bridge. Mr. McDaniel offered a second.

The Mayor asserted, for the record, that (he did) not think it's right.

He then affirmed that he'd quantified for Council the reason it wasn't right.

Roll Call: Conroy: Aye; Godwin: Abstain; McDaniel: Aye; Allega: Abstain, citing for the record that (she did not) have the background information to make an informed decision; Gensimore: Aye. The motion passed.

Citizens' Comments:

Mr. Lewis Rash had conversed with literally hundreds of people regarding Clinton's flooding troubles. Nothing could be done, he'd learned, until the Mayor accosted such government officials as Congressmen, Senators, and Governors. Mr. Rash continued on to disparage the condition of assorted eyesores within the vicinity.

Mrs. Susan Smith, who'd originally inquired about the community yard sale and its rain date, advocated for sidewalk repairs to South Street, should grant monies and parameters allow.

Legislation:

First Readings

Resolution R-18-10

A Resolution authorizing the Approval and Adoption of the Property and Liability Insurance coverage for the Policy Period July 22nd, 2018 through July 22nd, 2019, in a Not To Exceed Amount of \$8,969.00 for the Village of Clinton, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mrs. Allega moved to suspend the Three Reading Rule. Second by Mr. McDaniel.

Roll Call: Godwin, McDaniel, Allega, Gensimore, and Conroy: Aye.

Mrs. Allega motioned to adopt Resolution R-18-10, and again Mr. McDaniel seconded.

He quizzed Fiscal Officer Weirick for any additional relevant information. She expounded that the expanded coverage came at a lower price because under the plan, the Village would be joining the Public Entities Pool of Ohio. The only item running in favor of the policy over that of the Village was a \$100.00 deductible under its crime section, which covered public employee dishonesty, computer fraud, forgery, and the like. Beyond this, Clinton would be receiving more coverage at a lesser cost, with less deductibles overall for the various fields.

Roll Call: McDaniel, Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, and Godwin: Aye.

Mayor Knack admonished that the following draft should be subject to committee review prior to a First Reading, although the Reading took place nonetheless.

Ordinance O-18-12

An Ordinance Amending Section 509.09 and Establishing Section 509.10 of the Codified Ordinances Regarding Unlawful Noise or Disturbances, Noise from Equipment, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mrs. Gensimore indicated that along with the draft legislation at hand, Village Solicitor Pitchford had sent a memorandum highlighting comparisons with laws of surrounding municipalities. Patterned after that of Summit County, Section (b)-(1) contained the phrase "...where the sound is audible more than 80 feet from the property line..." which she found excessive, pointing out that New Franklin's listed distance is ten feet from the property line.

Mr. McDaniel favored a policy corresponding with that of New Franklin, in order to provide law enforcement with a uniform set of rules, although he was incredulous about the ten-foot distance from a given property line.

Mrs. Allega concurred, and, for the record, (was) ok with this going to a reading and not Committee because (Council) did get it from (Solicitor Pitchford's) draft two weeks ago and then (Council) got it by email. And everybody on the Committee has had time to look at it. And (Council) knew it was coming up so it wasn't like there wasn't a lot of changes that needed made.

Section (c), she elucidated, provided further definition as to what might constitute a noise ordinance violation, thereby making the Ordinance enforceable under more than one Section.

Mrs. Gensimore moved to change the language to read "ten feet" as opposed to "eighty feet" in Section (b)-(1), and Mr. McDaniel seconded the motion.

Mrs. Gensimore then mentioned language in (c), again derived from that of Summit County, which in the spirit of consistency should similarly be altered. Mr. McDaniel affirmed his preference for regulations in this regard uniform with those of New Franklin.

She made a motion to change, under Section (c), in the title Sound Levels for Land Use Districts from the hours of 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. to the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Second by Mr. McDaniel.

Mayor Knack cautioned Council that impending zoning and districting updates would only precipitate further necessitous changes. Mrs. Gensimore countered that the code was largely derived from that of the County, whose districting was similar to that which Clinton aspired.

Roll Call: McDaniel, Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, and Godwin: Aye.

New Business: None.

General Discussion:

Mr. McDaniel's daughter had been crowned 2018's 50th Anniversary Old Canal Days Pageant Queen.

Presentation of Bills:

Mrs. Conroy motioned to approve the Purchase Orders and bills, and Mr. McDaniel seconded.

Roll Call: Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, Godwin, and McDaniel: Aye.

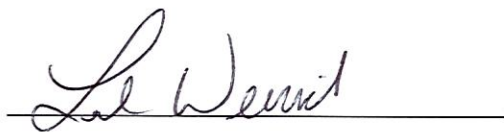
Mr. McDaniel motioned to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.



Bud McDaniel, Council President



Mayor Allen Knack



Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer