

Village of Clinton
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Of
Thursday, November 8th, 2018

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Thursday, November 8th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Lewis Rash and recited by all those present.

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

Others Present: Allen Knack, Mayor; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; Mr. Jason Dodson, Mrs. Diane Gunter, Mrs. Alethia Rantanis, and Mr. Lewis Rash.

Approval of Council Minutes:

Mr. McDaniel moved to accept the minutes, as printed, from October 2nd, 2018. Mr. Goch seconded the motion.

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

Mr. McDaniel moved to accept the minutes, as printed, from October 16th, 2018. Mrs. Allega seconded the motion.

It was determined that this, 'the meeting that was not a meeting,' had nonetheless generated a set of minutes which would require Council's approval or nonendorsement. The Village Law Director, not present, had advised the meeting be first called to order, then dismissed due to lack of quorum. Mr. McDaniel stated that his absence from the meeting would result in an abstinence vote during roll call.

Roll Call: Allega: Aye; Goch: Abstain; Gensimore: Abstain; Conroy: Aye; Godwin: Abstain. Council President McDaniel reconfirmed his abstention.

Solicitor's Report: No Report.

Police Report: In Packet.

Fire Chief's Report: In Packet.

Street Commissioner's Report: No Report.

Fiscal Officer's Report: In Packet.

Unfinished Business: None.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Knack happily reported that the Village's salt shed was newly and currently full, containing an estimated 150 to 200 tons of product. With another 450 tons available, he did not foresee Clinton incurring any shortage.

The Mayor had ensured Street Superintendent Seigenthaler he'd check the progress Council had made in drafting letters or legislation reminding residents of their responsibility, set forth in the zoning code, to remove dead trees. Council would author the necessary correspondence.

Council Communications and Committee Reports:

Mr. McDaniel provided an update on the Summit County ReWorks electronics recycling program he'd learned about earlier in the year: as of the present time it did not seem to be gaining any momentum.

Mrs. Allega reported that the public meeting addressing the zoning overhaul had happened. People came, questions were answered. Mayor Knack praised the backgrounds and dedication of all its contributors, and Mr. McDaniel described differences in the code versions' provisions as reflecting changes across the times.

Citizens' Comments:

Mrs. Diane Gunter, representing the Village of Clinton Historical Society, announced that its gathering the following evening would focus on Santa Claus' visit to the Village, as well as seasonal fruit baskets.

Mr. Lewis Rash offered complaints regarding police presence and response times, as well as an outdoor lamp whose mispositioned beam interfered with visibility. He was encouraged to continue to call police regarding dune buggy and golf cart infractions, and then the Mayor, in any event officers did not respond to summons.

Mr. Jason Dodson, with the offices of Village Engineer O.H.M. Advisors, was present to answer any questions Council may have had in renewing his company's contract, which contained no changes beyond a price increase in the \$20.00- \$25.00 range to compensate for inflation. O.P.W.C. scores had been received that day, and he relayed that approximately \$234,000.00 in grant monies had been awarded for the next phase of Cleveland-Massillon Road culverts. Clinton also stood among the top five potential recipients of monies in amount of \$674,000.00 to repave the road.

Mrs. Alethia Rantanis inquired about the exact cost of the Village's new zoning manuscript, and the reason behind its choice of Bath as an exemplary template. Mayor Knack indicated that because of the Village Zoning Inspector's capacity in that municipality, access to the necessary programs had been ready. Both localities being situated within the same county facilitated their transferability. In its entirety, Clinton's expenditure on the project amounted to one-quarter that of Bath, making the Village's a prudent path. A pricing determination, if desired, could be located.

Mrs. Rantanis was advised to quote Section 505.09 of the Codified Ordinances in contacting authorities regarding nuisance barking by dogs, and that the levels of erosion damage to the Village thoroughfares were being monitored for mention at a December 6th symposium.

Legislation:

Second Readings

Resolution R-18-18

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with O.H.M. Advisors to provide services related to the Village's zoning code review, Phase One project, and declaring an emergency.

It was clarified that the legislation at hand pertained to the zoning, rather than the engineering contract.

Ordinance O-18-20

An Ordinance amending Part Eleven, Planning and Zoning Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Clinton, and amending the Official Village of Clinton Zoning Map.

Ordinance O-18-21

An Ordinance amending companion chapters of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Clinton in coordination with amendments to the Planning and Zoning Code and the Official Zoning Map.

First Readings

Resolution R-18-19

A Resolution adopting the 2019 permanent appropriations and declaring an emergency.

Resolution R-18-22

A Resolution authorizing all actions necessary to accept the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council Energized Community Grants and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Allega moved to suspend the Three Reading Rule, and Mr. McDaniel offered a second.

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

Mrs. Allega moved to adopt R-18-22, and again Mr. McDaniel offered a second.

Fiscal Officer Weirick explained that she had been contacted by NOPEC, that agency having noticed Clinton's lack of application for its 2018 grant. If awarded, funds in amount of \$5,000.00 could be held until submission of application for and award of 2019 monies, resulting in \$10,000.00 worth of grant funding to be applied toward increasing energy efficiency; replacement windows for the fire house would fit the bill there.

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

Resolution R-18-23

A Resolution appointing Varney, Fink, and Associates as Village Fiscal Officers, and authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into a two-year contract, and declaring an emergency.

Resolution R-18-24

A Resolution amending the annual appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Village for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2018, and declaring an emergency.

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

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

Mrs. Allega motioned to adopt R-18-24; Mr. McDaniel seconded the motion.

Fiscal Officer Weirick explained that R-18-24 covered increases associated with the Village Solicitor's involvement in the zoning update, R.I.T.A. fees, and transfers out to the Streets Fund.

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

Resolution R-18-25

A Resolution to provide legal services for the Village of Clinton and confirming the appointment of Marshal Pitchford as Solicitor for 2019 and 2020, and declaring an emergency.

Resolution R-18-26

A Resolution authorizing and appointing O.H.M. Advisors as Village Engineer and authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into a two-year contract, and declaring an emergency.

Resolution R-18-27

A Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Street Fund of the Village of Clinton and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Allega moved to suspend the Three Reading Rule; Mr. McDaniel seconded the motion.

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

Mrs. Allega moved to adopt R-18-27. Second by Mr. McDaniel.

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

New Business: None.

General Discussion:

Mr. McDaniel issued an admonishment to Turbo Tax users: while the program does fill out Village tax forms, it does not automatically submit them.

Presentation of Bills:

Mrs. Conroy motioned to approve the purchase orders and pay the bills, and Mr. McDaniel offered a second.

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

Mr. McDaniel motioned to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.



Bud McDaniel, Council President



Mayor Allen Knack



Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer