

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on May 16, 2011.

## **INVOCATION**

Hart offered the Invocation.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

The following members of Council answered roll call; Tim Clapper, Steve Hart, Darrell Levings, Dianne Matuch, Emily Shaffer. John Curtis was excused. The Clerk declared a quorum. Mayor Mike Porter, Solicitor Matt Griffith, Administrator Dan Rogers and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Mermann were present.

## **MINUTES**

Shaffer moved and Levings seconded to approve the 5/2/11 minutes. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Levings yes, Matuch abstained, Hart yes, Clapper yes.

## **GUESTS**

Guests included Brian Zerman, Don Staiger, Rachel Mendell, Ed Kline, Ruby Jackson, Gilead Township Trustees Harry Arnold, Clyde Columber and Dave Lewis.

Mr. Kline reported that prior to Council, the Administrator, Solicitor and Clerk-Treasurer signed the closing documents for the Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 2011. Funds, including the pay-down of \$500,000.00 would be wired to Fifth Third Bank to retire the debt of \$1,235,578.75 by 5/26/11. Semi-annual payments begin December 2011 with the final payment due December 30, 2017.

Hart moved and Matuch seconded, to recess the regular meeting for the Joint Meeting with the Gilead Township Trustees. Roll call; Hart yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes, Levings yes, Clapper yes.

## **JOINT MEETING WITH GILEAD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

The Mayor called the Joint Meeting to order. The following answered roll call; Clapper, Matuch, Hart, Levings, Shaffer, Arnold, Columber, Lewis.

Columber nominated Lewis as a representative from Gilead Township to serve on the newly formed Union Cemetery Board. Arnold seconded the nomination. Roll call; Columber yes, Arnold yes, Lewis yes, Clapper yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes, Levings yes, Shaffer yes. Mayor Porter stated the Edison Council has not appointed a resident to serve as the third member of the Board. Solicitor Griffith recommended that a third Joint Meeting be held on 6/6/11 to appoint the third member to the Board. Columber stated he is serving on the Bryn Zion Cemetery Board and would like to continue until the end of his term. Griffith stated the two Boards are not associated. Columber stated a letter would be sent to the State of Ohio to direct that all tax levy funds be sent to the newly formed Union Cemetery Board. The Board will then expend the funds accordingly. Columber offered to continue to assist with the operation of Rivercliff and requested that the Village consider sharing the excavation job of preparing graves. Hart reported a Sexton is under contract until August at Rivercliff Cemetery. Council and the Trustees agreed to hold a third Joint Meeting on June 6, 2011 at 7:00 PM.

Shaffer moved and Clapper seconded to adjourn the Joint Meeting. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Clapper yes, Levings yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes, Arnold yes, Columber yes, Lewis yes.

Levings moved and Clapper seconded to reconvene the regular Council meeting. Roll call; Levings yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes.

Mrs. Jackson stated that many of the trees in the Chartwell sub-division have never been watered and are dying while many have been trimmed to resemble shrubs. She asked who was responsible for the care and/or replacement of the trees. Rogers stated the trees are not in the tree-lawn but are on private property; new trees are planned in the future for the tree lawn in the area. Jackson recommended that trees that will not damage sidewalks be planted. Jackson requested that in the future the care and placement of trees should be included in the planning. Rogers reported the curbs, sidewalks and streetlights were required and are in place, unlike some of the previous subdivisions.

## **POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN**

No report.

## **FIRE CHIEF-DON STAIGER**

Chief Staiger reported 149 responses for the year. A Haz-Mat training class, involving 45 firefighters from Mt. Gilead, Cardington, Iberia and Johnsville, was held on 5/6/11 and winning a passing grade from the Delaware and Marion EMA.

## **COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **STREETS-DARRELL LEVINGS**

No report.

**FIRE & POLICE-JOHN CURTIS**

The written report from the 5/10/11 meeting with Chief Zerman was briefly reviewed.

**FINANCE & PERSONNEL-STEVE HART**

The committee meeting prior to Council was cancelled allowing time for the Utilities Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on 6/20/11.

**UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER**

The committee met prior to Council to discuss the Water Tower Funds. OPWC grant application was denied for 2011. Rather than accept the 0% loan offer from the OPWC, the committee recommended the Village re-apply for the grant in 2012.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on 5/23/11 at the Water Plant.

**VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-DIANNE MATUCH**

No report.

**CODES & REGULATIONS-EMILY SHAFFER**

The committee has completed review of several ordinances. Recommended amendments will be presented in the next Council meetings for approval, including Chapter 721 "Peddlers" and Chapter 725 "Taxicabs" and the traffic code.

**ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS**

Normal repairs and maintenance was reported at the WWTP and the Water Plant. The valve replacement on Westview Drive is scheduled for this week.

The Morrow County Health Department is assisting with the on-going problem of grease in the 6" line from Cheng's restaurant on Main St. A possible I & I problem is being investigated at 162 E. North St. Deer Creek Excavating is nearing completion of the SR 95 Storm Water Project in front of the Hospital. Continuing spring rain and storms has delayed the progress.

The service employees are applying cold-patch to problem areas and street sweeping is continuing despite the weather.

Rogers reported blight areas will be a high-priority for the next few weeks, particularly the areas affected by the recent SR 95 Project and the ARRA Projects.

Employees removed four truck-loads full of trash and debris from a private residence that was a severe blight area on N. Rich St.; 14 properties were mowed this week.

Pool has been painted and filled; recreation employees have begun getting the pool ready for the Memorial Day opening.

Brownfield will begin advertising for bids for the HPM Plant II restoration.

**MAYOR- MIKE PORTER**

The Mayor took part in the Arbor Day activities on 5/6/11 at the School. The program for the Memorial Day Parade and ceremonies was distributed.

**SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER**

No report.

**CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN**

Hart moved and Clapper seconded to approve the payment of the bills. Roll call; Hart yes, Clapper yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes, Levings yes.

Clapper moved and Hart seconded to adopt Ordinance 1651 following the third reading of the sewer rate ordinance. Roll call; Clapper yes, Hart yes, Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes.

Ordinance 1652 was presented for the third reading. Shaffer moved and Matuch seconded to adopt the Recreation ordinance. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Levings yes.

Ordinance 1654 was presented. Levings moved and Shaffer seconded to suspend the rules. Roll call; Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes. Levings moved and Clapper seconded to adopt the sale of a vehicle ordinance. Roll call; Levings yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes.

Resolution 5-16-11 was presented. Levings moved and Clapper seconded to suspend the rules. Roll call; Levings yes, Clapper yes, Hart yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes. Clapper moved and Levings seconded to adopt the resolution to purchase a vehicle. Roll call; Clapper yes, Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes.

Clapper moved and Hart seconded to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

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Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

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Mike Porter, Mayor

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Dan Rogers, Administrator

