

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on September 4, 2012.

INVOCATION

Curtis 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, John Curtis, Steve Hart, Ed Kline, Dianne Matuch, Emily Shaffer. The Clerk declared a quorum. Mayor Mike Porter, Solicitor Matt Griffith, Administrator Dan Rogers and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Mermann were present.

MINUTES

Kline moved and Shaffer seconded to approve the 8/20/12 minutes. Roll call; Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes.

GUESTS

Chief Zerman was the only guest.

POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN

Chief Zerman reported a quiet week at the Morrow County Fair with only minor problems. Council complimented the style and overall appearance of the 2012 Dodge Charger Cruiser.

FIRE CHIEF-GREG YOUNG

Chief Young was excused. The Mayor reported the department answered 12 responses since 8/20/12, including 3 false alarms, 1 illegal burn, 1 field fire, 1 rescue/extraction, and 1 motor vehicle accident.

The department provided fire safety educational programs to more than 200 children at the Fire Safety House at the Fair, as well as attending the Motocross, Truck Pull, Rough Truck Pull and the Demolition Derby.

COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS

STREETS-JOHN CURTIS

Curtis reported street resurfacing began today. Rogers reported the paving should be completed by the end of September.

FIRE & POLICE-DIANNE MATUCH

Matuch reported the committee met with Chief Zerman on 8/22/12 and discussed personnel issues. Kline reported the Gilead Township Fire Levy, on the 11/6/12 ballot, will be a 5-year levy rather than the 3-year as recommended by the committee and Chief Young. Council discussed keeping the 2007 Ford cruiser for Administrator Rogers' use. The emergency lights and sirens have been removed, the vehicle has been registered, and the temporary tags have been received.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL-STEVE HART

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 9/17/12.

UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER

Clapper reported the committee met to review the W. Marion St./S. Main St. Waterline Project. A letter from Poggemeyer Design Group, dated 8/28/12, recommended Dirt Dawg Excavating for the combined projects at a cost of \$345,580.00. Clapper moved and Kline seconded to award the project to Dirt Dawg. Roll call; Clapper yes, Kline yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes.

VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-ED KLINE

Kline reported a bid to win a potential project at the County level was not successful. The company chose to locate in a state other than Ohio.

CODES & REGULATIONS-EMILY SHAFFER

The committee met prior to Council. Approximately 20 ordinances will be reviewed for possible fee updates.

The committee is scheduled to meet at 6:00 PM on 10/1/12.

ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS

Rogers reported normal flows and maintenance at the WWTP. The north and south sludge tanks are back in service. The Kohler automatic switching system on the backup generator will need to be replaced at an approximate cost of \$3,000.00. Rogers requested that the upgrade be considered under warranty since the system has failed 3 times in the past 5 years.

OPWC has awarded authorization to proceed on the W. Marion St./S. Main St. Waterline project; ODOT permit was approved. The engineer has estimated 3 months until completion of the project with minimum road closures involved.

Police computers will be replaced this week.

An OPERS contribution return of \$8,458.64 for a former Recreation employee will need to be approved on 9/17/12.

Rogers approved payment of \$700.00 to the 2012 swim coach.

MAYOR- MIKE PORTER

Mayor Porter reported that 1 of every 6 individuals in Ohio relies on programs provided by local agencies for food and proclaimed September "Hunger Action Month" in Mt. Gilead. The 2012 Dr. Nathan Tucker Awards were presented to Marilyn Weiler and Betty Ritchey at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon on 8/21/12.

SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER

No report.

CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN

Hart moved and Curtis seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$148,478.16. Roll call; Hart yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes, Kline yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes.

Ordinance 1679 was presented for the second reading. Shaffer moved and Kline seconded to pass the DKMM ordinance to the third reading. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Hart yes, Kline yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes, Matuch yes.

Resolution 8-20-12 A was presented for the second reading. Kline moved and Hart seconded to pass the DKMM resolution to the third reading. Roll call; Kline yes, Hart yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes.

Hart moved and Shaffer seconded to suspend the rules for the reading of Resolution 9-4-12. Roll call; Hart yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Kline yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes. Shaffer moved

and Kline seconded to adopt the resolution accepting the amounts and rates from the County Auditor. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Kline yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes. Kline moved and Shaffer seconded to suspend the rules for the reading of Resolution 9-4-12 A. Roll call; Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Hart yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes. Hart moved and Matuch seconded to adopt the real estate tax assessment for blight resolution. Roll call; Hart yes, Matuch yes, Kline yes, Shaffer yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes. Council again discussed the advantages versus the cost of \$2,627.00 for implementing payroll direct deposit. Mermann reported the cost of the checks is approximately \$150.00 annually, the greater need is to upgrade the office computers, and less than half of the employees would prefer direct deposit. Curtis stressed that the overall savings would be thousands of dollars and, if implemented, the employees would be required to comply. Rogers explained the upgrades necessary for the office computers.

OTHER

Curtis moved and Matuch seconded to adjourn at 7:550 PM.

Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

Mike Porter, Mayor

Dan Rogers, Administrator