

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on January 18, 2010.

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

MINUTES

Hart moved and Shaffer seconded to approve the 1-4-10 minutes. Roll call; Hart yes, Shaffer yes, Levings yes, Matuch yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes.

GUESTS

Guests included Rachel Mendall, Brian Zerman and Don Staiger.

POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN

Chief Zerman presented the 2009 Year End Report and highlighted 3,205 calls for service, 74 accidents, 847 charges and 1,209 traffic stops. Council expressed appreciation, as always, for the in-depth and comprehensive report, featuring graphs to compare information, geographics, dates and offenses. An increase in drug-related crimes and theft cases was reported. Drug cases included, cocaine, morphine, heroin, amphetamines, and prescription drug abuse. State Wide Ford state bid price for the proposed 2010 Ford Crown Victoria Cruiser and equipment was \$31,559.00. Hart moved and Levings seconded to approve the purchase of the vehicle and equipment. Roll call; Hart yes, Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes. The 2004 cruiser to be retired may be transferred to the Fire Department to be used for non-emergency calls.

Sgt. Cronenwett has reported the K-9 Unit dog has adapted well in his home and will begin training on 2-1-10. Council requested the project and benefits of the program be publicized.

CHIEF-DON STAIGER

Chief Staiger reported 18 responses for the year to date. On 1-11-10 a home was burned and on 1-14-10 two victims were transported by Life-Flight from a traffic accident on US 42.

The 2009 Year-End Report is being compiled.

COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS

STREETS-DARRELL LEVINGS

No report. The committee is scheduled to meet at 4:30 PM on 2-10-10.

FIRE & POLICE-DIANNE MATUCH

The committee scheduled a meeting with Chief Staiger for 1-21-10 at 6:00 PM at the Fire Station.

FINANCE & PERSONNEL-STEVE HART

The committee met prior to Council and continued the review and revisions of the Personnel Policy.

Committees and meetings dates were set and approved.

UTILITIES-TIM CLAPPER

No report. The committee is scheduled to meet following the Council meeting on 2-15-10.

VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-JOHN CURTIS

No report. Curtis cancelled the meeting scheduled for 1-19-10 at 7:00 PM.

CODES & REGULATIONS-EMILY SHAFFER

The committee is scheduled to meet at 2-1-10 at 6:00 PM.

ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS

Administrator Rogers was excused. Council briefly reviewed the written report.

MAYOR- MIKE PORTER

The Mayor stated he is optimistic following a meeting with County agent Davies and a prospective business looking to locate within the Village. It is too soon to reveal the company's name.

Council members were reminded they will need to complete the NIMS Course IS-700. Clapper stated he has successfully completed the course and is awaiting the Certificate.

Porter reported he will be recovering from surgery from 2-9-10 until the first of March and President Pro-Tempore Hart will serve as needed.

SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER

No report.

CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN

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

Ordinance 1631 was presented for the third reading. Levings moved and Shaffer seconded to adopt the ordinance to vacate an alley. Roll call; Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Matuch yes, Clapper yes, Curtis yes, Hart yes.

Council briefly discussed the request for a D1 and D3 liquor license from Kevin Lee (Mount Gilead Saloon LLC) to the Ohio Department of Liquor Control. A roll-call vote to object to the license for the establishment to be located at 30 S. Main St.: Clapper no objection, Curtis no objection, Hart no objection, Levings no objection, Matuch no objection, Shaffer no objection.

Hart moved and Curtis seconded to accept the presented YTD Fund Report. Roll call; Hart yes, Curtis yes, Clapper yes, Matuch yes, Shaffer yes, Levings yes.

The following have consented to serve on the Volunteer Firefighters Dependents Fund for 2010: John Curtis, Darrell Levings, Dennis Sterling, Joseph Coil, and Kimberly Porter.

The Clerk reported that \$2,000,000.00 has been transferred from Star Ohio (State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio) at an interest rate of .06% into CDs with First Federal Bank of Ohio at an interest rate of 1.%.

Curtis and Hart seconded to adjourn at 7:40 PM.

Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

Mike Porter, Mayor

Dan Rogers, Administrator