

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Porter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on October 5, 2009.

**INVOCATION**

Levings offered the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members of Council answered roll call; Darrell Levings, Emily Shaffer, Keith Strait, and Betty Williams. John Curtis and Steve Hart arrived later. 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 Strait seconded to approve the 9/21/09 minutes. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Strait yes, Levings yes, Williams abstained.

**GUESTS**

Guests included Kim Porter, Don Staiger and Tim Clapper.

**POLICE CHIEF-BRIAN ZERMAN**

Chief Zerman was excused but provided a written report.

**FIRE CHIEF-DON STAIGER**

Chief Staiger reported 278 responses for the year.

Bender Communications has warned that after the year 2012, only narrow-band radios will be produced, making wide-band radios obsolete. All wide-band mobiles within the county will have to be replaced before 2013. Chief Staiger stated he would be researching grants, including a county-side FEMA grant to fund the project.

Informative articles have been featured in the weekly publication of the Sentinel prior to the upcoming fire levy in November. The articles have focused on training, grants, and ISO Rating. Council briefly discussed the best means of promoting the levy.

The department was instrumental in identifying a part of a vandalized school project last week. The burned remains of the project led the Police to a juvenile who had stolen and burned the project and subsequently confessed.

Council was encouraged to attend the Open House at the Fire Station on Saturday 10/10/09. Refreshments, demonstrations, and a visit from Med Flight are part of the activities.

**COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS**

A copy of Resolution 9-21-09B, a resolution of commendation to Kimberly Porter, was presented to Mrs. Porter along with Council's appreciation for her dedication to Safety Town. Mrs. Porter is retiring from the position after 17 years of helping Kindergarten students prepare for traveling safely to and from school.

**STREETS-DARRELL LEVINGS**

No report.

**FIRE & POLICE-KEITH STRAIT**

The committee is scheduled to meet at 5:30 pm on 10/13/09.

**FINANCE & PERSONNEL-STEVE HART**

Williams reported in Hart's absence that the committee would meet prior to Council at 6:00 pm on 10/19/09.

**UTILITIES-BETTY WILLIAMS**

No report.

## **VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT & ZONING-JOHN CURTIS**

No report.

## **CODES & REGULATIONS-EMILY SHAFFER**

The committee will meet at 2:00 pm on 10/20/09 to discuss Ordinances 1325 & 1327.

## **ADMINISTRATOR-DAN ROGERS**

Rogers reported few problems at the WWTP other than the effluent meter. Needed pavement repairs at the east gate will be delayed until after the winter months.

Cleaning of the detention tank at the Water Plant will be scheduled within the next two weeks.

Cooler months will allow extra time to complete needed repairs on the dehumidifier.

Only two companies offered quotes for the roof replacement of the Water Plant; Yoder Construction at \$10,340.00 and Troyer Construction at \$10,875.00. Rogers recommended Yoder Construction over Troyer Construction. Williams moved and Levings seconded to award the contract to Yoder Construction for \$10,340.00. Roll call; Williams yes, Levings yes, Shaffer yes, Strait yes, Curtis yes, Hart yes.

Poggemeyer Design Group reported a lot of interest in the Stimulus Sanitary Sewer project bid opening scheduled for tomorrow morning at 10:00 am. Some residents have already been notified of the proposed Northwood project. A meeting will be scheduled to answer any concerns.

Bid opening for the Home Road paving on 9/28/09 resulted in 4 competitive bids; Kokosing Construction at \$40,163.50, Small Asphalt at \$42,600.55, Buckeye Asphalt at \$40,316.35 and Shelly & Sands at \$47,556.48. Levings moved and Strait seconded to award the contract to Kokosing Construction at \$40,163.50. Roll call; Levings yes, Strait yes, Shaffer yes, Williams yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes. Asphalt repairs to the Hospice entrance on Arnold Lane will be completed before the winter months.

TEP (Transportation Enhancement Program) pre-construction meeting is scheduled for 11/15/09 at 9:00 am.

Minor repairs have been completed at the Recreation Center. Bleachers at the Park Ave. ball diamond have been removed and will not be replaced. The area will be seeded in the spring.

The damaged fencing around the basketball court has been removed.

HPMAmerica has requested permission to construct a wind turbine on their property. A Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for 10-15-09 at 8:00 pm to consider the request.

Rogers presented a written recommendation to adopt a policy regulating the height, decommissioning, fencing and location restrictions for the wind turbines.

Salt bid opening is set for 10:00 am on 10/23/09.

## **MAYOR- MIKE PORTER**

Porter explained changes in the court costs for Mayor's Court. The increases, mandated by the State will take effect on 10/16/09.

The Mayor arranged for the Mt. Gilead Marching Band to be given a warm welcome home along with a police escort through the Village following their competition in Columbus on 10/3/09.

The first YMCA 5-K Run was held on Saturday 10/3/09.

## **SOLICITORS-GRIFFITH & BRININGER**

No report.

## **CLERK-TREASURER-SUE MERMANN**

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

Shaffer moved and Williams seconded to pass Ordinance 1624, an ordinance for re-codification to the third reading. Roll call; Shaffer yes, Williams yes, Levings yes, Strait yes, Curtis yes, Hart yes.

Mermann presented Ordinance 1626, a Supplemental Appropriation ordinance would allow the payment from the Indigent Alcohol & Treatment Fund to be paid to the County Municipal Court. Mayor's Court Clerk's have struggled with the confusing legislation regulating the funds. Solicitor Griffith explained that under State regulations only a Judge could spend the funds and the transfer would comply with State requirements. Williams moved and Hart seconded to suspend the rules. Roll call; Williams yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Strait no, Levings

no, Shaffer yes. Griffith offered to research the laws regulating the funds further and Mermann offered to provide the August 6, 1990 minutes and original ordinance establishing the Fund. The ordinance will be presented again at the next Council meeting on 10/19/09.

Williams moved and Shaffer seconded to accept the YTD Fund report. Roll call; Williams yes, Shaffer yes, Levings yes, Hart yes, Curtis yes, Strait yes.

A letter from Susan Cave, OML Executive Director, explained that CompManagement, Inc. would be the Ohio Municipal League third party administrator for the 2010 Worker's Comp group rating program. GatesMcDonald, with whom the Village has been associated since 1989, will no longer be offering the group-rating program.

**OTHER**

Rogers reported FirstEnergy Corp. representatives would be in the community within the next few weeks, delivering compact fluorescent light bulbs to residents and small businesses.

Curtis moved and Strait seconded to adjourn at 8:05.

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Sue Mermann, Clerk-Treasurer

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Mike Porter, Mayor

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Dan Rogers, Administrator