

FEBRUARY 2016 VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING (Unofficial copy)

The Village of Waynesfield Council met in regular session on Monday, February 22, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following answering roll call: Mayor Ridenour, Earl, Ewing, Hardin – absent, Knox, Miller and Zimmerman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Council members received copies of Financial, Receipts and Expenditure Reports. Fiscal Officer reported \$1,497,604.67 in all funds and \$218,977.01 in the General Fund. A motion was made by Earl, seconded by Zimmerman, to adopt Resolution 16-2-1 to pay the bills presented.

VOTE: Earl, yes; Ewing, yes; Hardin – absent; Knox, yes; Miller, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

GUESTS: Chris Boday was present on behalf of the Waynesfield Summer Ball Association. Mr. Boday inquired as to the status of a new baseball field being constructed. Discussion ensued and the matter was referred to the Parks Committee and Village Administrator for further investigation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

Police Report:

(a). Police Chief explained the power outages resulted in no major issues. He said the village attempted to notify as many people as possible and there is now a written protocol in place for future scheduled outages.

(b). Steve Humes is the new auxiliary police officer for Waynesfield PD.

(c). Chief Motter explained the State of Ohio has new mandates that every police agency in the state must comply with by March 2017. Chief Motter explained this has taken and will take numerous hours to make sure the department is in complete compliance. Chief Motter said once the initial compliance is met, future years will not take as long.

Village Administrator Report:

(a). Village Administrator complimented the employees on how well they did during the scheduled and unscheduled power outages. The second scheduled outage also allowed for the village to fix a problem in the substation without having to have a third scheduled outage.

(b). An update on the lagoon project was presented to councilmembers. The ground and trees are being cleared. Weather permitting, it is anticipated ground will be moved beginning in March

MAYOR'S REPORT:

(a). A check for \$749.00 was presented from the Mayor's Court account to the Village for the month of January.

(b). The Mayor announced the following individuals were named to the Local Board of Taxation Review: Kenneth Admire; Alternate Barbara Earl. The Mayor also announced the following individuals were named to the Auglaize County Regional Planning Commission: Robert Miller; Alternate Ronda Knox.

OLD BUSINESS:

(a). Second Reading on Ordinance 16-1-3 A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Earl, to suspend the rules of three readings. VOTE: Earl, yes; Ewing, yes; Hardin – absent; Knox, yes; Miller, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Zimmerman, to adopt Ordinance 16-1-3, to amend Payroll Ordinance 07-9-3, raising the pay scale for the Police Chief from \$17.00/hr to \$20.00/hr, and to declare an emergency.

VOTE: Earl, yes; Ewing, yes; Hardin – absent; Knox, yes; Miller, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Councilwoman Ewing requested the Mayor issue a Proclamation declaring July 24, 2016, as the Waynesfield Baptist Church Day in honor of its 150th Anniversary. Councilwoman Ewing also requested the ability for the church to have a parade at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 23, 2016, from the Baptist Church to the Waynesfield Park and back to the church. Councilwoman Ewing said there would then be free carnival from noon until 5 p.m. for any and all who wished to attend.
2. Councilwoman Earl asked to discuss the Christmas decorations the village displays each year. She said the decorations were in a sad state and wanted to know how to go about getting new decorations. The Village Administrator suggested waiting to make any decisions until the light standards come in to complete the North Westminster Street project so the proper dimensions are known.
3. The Police Chief also mentioned he has asked the solicitor to prepare a resolution that would enact a Christmas light competition for village residents. The Police Chief said he would formally introduce the proposal for council's consideration once the resolution is completed.
4. Councilwoman Zimmerman asked about the "junk yard car lot" on East Wapakoneta Street. The Police Chief said he would be requesting the Solicitor draft a letter to send to owner Maurice Duggins regarding that matter. Councilwoman Knox also asked if a letter could be sent to the David Webb property on West Wapakoneta Street as it has similar issues as the Duggins' property.

SOLICITOR REPORT: None

A motion was made by Earl, seconded by Zimmerman, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: Earl, yes; Ewing, yes; Hardin – absent; Knox, yes; Miller, yes; Zimmerman, yes.