

MARCH 2016 VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING (Unofficial copy)

The Village of Waynesfield Council met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following answering roll call: Mayor Ridenour, Earl, Ewing, Hardin, Knox, Miller, and Zimmerman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were corrected and approved. Council members received copies of Financial, Receipts and Expenditure Reports. Fiscal Officer reported \$1,499,300.97 in all funds and \$221,101.22 in the General Fund. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Earl, to adopt Resolution 16-3-1 to pay the bills presented.

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

GUESTS: The local Girl Scout Troops came and presented to Council options for updating the restrooms, concession stand and bleachers at the park as an effort to achieve their Silver Awards. The troops explained to Council their vision and provided a slideshow as to what they would like the finished product to look like.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Ewing, to adopt Resolution 16-3-2, a Resolution to allow the Girl Scout Troops to make upgrades to the restrooms, concession stand, and bleachers at the park.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets: Councilman Hardin inquired about a resident questioning an unapproved street being sold. The Village Administrator and Mayor explained the Village has never sold any streets. The Mayor went on to explain that the street in question is just an unapproved street, not part of any personal property. The Mayor also indicated that a letter was written on behalf of the Village allowing access of farm equipment down another street instead of the street in question.

Police Report:

(a). Mr. Duggins was served a notice of being in violation of Ord. 01-04-1, Prohibitions of Junk Motor Vehicles. The deadline for removal of the vehicles was March 25, 2016, and Mr. Duggins was still not in compliance. The Chief will be in touch with the Village Solicitor as to the next steps being taken.

(b). The Chief has seen an increase in drug cases and has utilized the K9 on several of these cases.

(c). Chief Motter reported the employees have made several changes allowing the Village to operate more efficiently resulting in a savings to the Village of approximately \$10,000 -\$12,000.

(d). A new federal mandated law requires that all street signs meet the high reflective standards and the first letter of the street name must capitalized followed by lower case letters. The signs must be replaced by the end of 2017. The Chief stated the plan is to spread the cost out between this year and next year.

Village Administrator Report:

(a). The lagoon project is moving forward and should begin this week, weather permitting.

(b). Cold patch has been placed in a few areas around the Village. Crack sealing was also performed at various locations throughout the Village.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

(a). A check for \$790.00 was presented from the Mayor's Court account into the General Fund for the month of February.

OLD BUSINESS:

(a). Lois Souder volunteered to be a member of the Local Board of Tax Review. The Mayor advised Council to come up with an additional member or he would need to appoint one.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lois Souder asked about who was responsible for testing/flushing the fire hydrants. The Village Administrator responded that the Village annually tests and flush our hydrants. He also stated that he would encourage the Fire Department to test the equipment as well.

SOLICITOR REPORT: Dick Reese explained that their firm had been in contact with Mr. Duggins' attorney. A complaint has been drafted, but they are waiting to see if the property will be cleaned up. The deadline is May 1, 2016.

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

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