

Village of Wellsville Regular Council Meeting

Council minutes of Regular Council Meeting held on September 27, 2016 at 6:00 PM at Wellsville Village Hall

Mayor Nancy Murray called the meeting to order.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Present: Randy Allmon, Tony Cataldo, Diane Dinch, John Cianni, John
Morrow
Absent: Rosie Gibson

EXCUSED ABSENCES

Motion made by Mrs. Dinch, seconded by Mr. Cataldo to excuse Ms. Gibson from the Council Meeting.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Allmon, seconded by Mrs. Dinch to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for 9/6/2016.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

Motion made by Mr. Allmon, seconded by Mr. Morrow to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes for 9/7/2016.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

Motion made by Mr. Allmon, seconded by Mr. Cataldo to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes for 9/8/2016.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING

Jack Cataldo

On behalf of the Revitalization Committee – a Memorial Wall is in the process of being built at the American Legion. As of now two things have been decided on to have on the wall- one, a picture of Mr. Melvin E. Newlan, Medal of Honor recipient and two, pictures of any POW's who lived in Wellsville. They have been made aware of 8-9 individuals but can only name a few. The committee would like any family member or anyone who knows of someone who has been a POW and has lived in Wellsville to please contact him personally or contact the American Legion.

Mrs. Dinch posed the question if that meant where they are resident currently or when they were a POW? Mr. Cataldo said that had not been discussed and would have to discuss with the American Legion. He suggested anyone with a Wellsville address currently to go to the American Legion and ask them.

He also wanted to let everyone know that the American Legion, to help raise money for the Memorial Wall, will be selling blocks on the wall for anyone who wanted to show support for a veteran. The cost will be \$50 per block. Everyone can contact the American Legion or himself at (330)532-5515.

Mr. Cianni suggested that the 1st person killed in WWII from Wellsville be added to the wall.

Mrs. Wetzel –

She wanted to make everyone aware that her father's picture that is on the floodwall is falling apart and need repaired. She would be more than happy to pay to get it resealed if that is what is needed. The Mayor and the Zoning Officer will look into it and let her know

Diana Allmon

She was wondering if the changes to the liquor license for the Riverside Roadhouse Restaurant had been completed and if so, did that mean anyone could sell liquor there. Council assured her that was not what it meant and it would have to be a restaurant type setting, not something like a drive-thru or bar.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

POLICE

Marsha Eisenhart reported that the DARE Grant monies had been received by the Attorney General and it was approximately \$4000.00. She also reminded Council

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about the situation with the cruisers and the condition they are in. Mr. Cataldo asked about the lease payments which have been paid off since 2015. He suggested talking to the auditors about getting new leases.

FIRE

Nothing at this time

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Paul Anthony -Village Administrator

He reported on getting estimates to repair two vehicles in the Street Department. He is estimating approximately \$2000.00 each.

They have been buying two tires per month to spread out the cost and will install once they are all purchased.

Sewer Department – there are several people who made arrangements to make payments on past due accounts that have not followed thru with the agreements. They are in the process of terminating service.

Ongoing 18th St Sewage issue – have been in contact with Greg Stewart and Dallis Dawson to identify the problem and get it fixed before the winter months.

Broadway light problem – it is the receptacles, will be moving forward with electricians.

Out of town ownership for rental properties – passed out copies of newspaper articles from Youngstown Vindicator to Council concerning this. He pointed out what they were suggesting and suggested Council reviews them.

He also passed out a list of 56 names that letters and/or summons that had been sent for nuisance properties. He did say that several have made improvements and they will continue to monitor the remaining properties. He also reminded everyone that the Village is presently taking care of the grass at approximately 40 properties and that will need revisited before next spring.

ZONING REPORT

Mr. Rick Williams, Zoning Officer

Nothing to report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Murray announced that the Village has been asked again to participate in the “One Book One Community” Program with the Wellsville Schools.

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Halloween Trick or Treat date will be on Monday 10/31 from 5:30pm – 7:00pm.

Motion made by Mr. Allmon, seconded by Mr. Cataldo that Trick or Treat be held on Monday October 31, 2016 from 5:30pm – 700pm

All vote yes, Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance

Committee Chairperson – Tony Cataldo

Motion made by Mr. Cataldo, seconded by Mrs. Dinch to approve invoices totaling \$2134.25.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

Motion made by Mr. Cataldo, seconded by Mrs. Dinch to transfer all accounts except CD accounts from Central Federal to Huntington Bank.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

Mr. Cataldo brought up the cost to the village to board prisoners at the Columbiana County Jail. He felt after all the costs the village sometimes loses money on the fines. He wanted to know if it was possible that these fees be added to the court cost. Lynsey Lyle-Opalenik advised Council that the fine amounts are set by the State and cannot be raised past the maximum amount allowed, the magistrate court costs cannot be raised on individual people, and they would have to be raised across the board. She suggested talking to Magistrate Tim McNicol.

Streets, Lights, Parking

Committee Chairperson – John Cianni

Motion made by Mr. Cianni, seconded by Mr. Cataldo, to block Wells Avenue from Rt 45 to 1st Street on October 26, 2016 from so that Wellsville Fire Department can put the main flood wall up.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

He has submitted a list of street lights to AEP that need replaced.

He wanted everyone to know that the Street Department has made progress in patching holes that had been dug up by various utility companies. He asked that if

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anyone is aware of any such holes that need fixed please contact the Village. Mr. Cataldo said that there is an ordinance that the companies should be following.

Mayor Murray said that she was on Clark Avenue and actually stopped the foreman because the street looks so bad. The Gas Company did tell her that they would fix the holes that they dug up to fix the lines.

Claims, Rules Ordinances

Committee Chairperson – Rosie Gibson

Water, Sewer, Refuse

Committee Chairperson – Diane Dinch

Mrs. Dinch said that they did have a meeting and reviewed some things that need repaired. She has a list of things that need addressed and she suggested that after he looks at it he get with Greg Stewart to start getting some of the items on the list fixed. She also suggested looking into getting grants to address the larger issues.

Property

Committee Chairperson - John Morrow

Motion made by Mr. Morrow, seconded by Mrs. Dinch to approve the liquor license for Kings Carryout changing from a LLC to an Incorporation.

All vote yes, Motion passed.

Mr. Cianni gave a Property Tax Progress Report

Delinquent property tax amount to approximately \$400,000.00. 59 properties on the list have been paid which amounts to approximately \$16,100.00 for the village (32%) and approximately \$25,655.00 to the school district for their share. The bad news is there are still 196 properties still on the list which amounts to approximately \$413,000.00 which would give the village \$131,150.00 and the school district \$210,614.00. He reviewed a list of different property owners that live out of town that are on the delinquent list. 127 letters were sent from the County Prosecutor's office.

Mr. Cianni assured everyone that all properties are looked at with to preferential treatment given

A motion by Mrs. Dinch, seconded by Mr. Morrow to allow Dolly Brophy to speak. She wondered who goes after the delinquent property taxes and isn't it the Prosecutor's office responsibility to do it. Mr. Morrow forwarded the list to the county.

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Personnel

Committee Chairperson – Randy Allmon

Mr. Allmon made motion, seconded by Mrs. Dinch, to go into Executive Session. Paul Anthony, Marsha Eisenhart and Hoi Wah Black were asked to join Council for Executive Session at 6:43pm

All vote yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Allmon made motion, seconded by Mr. Morrow, to go back into Regular Council Session at 6:56pm.

All vote yes. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE 16-18

AN ORDINANCE CREATING ONE PERMANENT PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER POSITION WITH OPTIONAL CALL-OUT HOURS AND ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION THEREFORE.

Motion by Mr. Cataldo, seconded by Mr. Allmon to suspend rules on ordinance no. 16-18 and adopt ordinance no. 16-18.

All Voted Yes. Motion Passed to suspend rules on ordinance no. 16-18

All Voted Yes. Motion Passed to adopt ordinance no. 16-18.

ORDINANCE 16-19

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S "STW MUNI BRDG INSP PROG 2" PDI NO. 102554, FOR BRIDGE INSPECTION SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Motion by Mrs. Dinch, seconded by Mr. Allmon to suspend rules on ordinance 16-19 and adopt ordinance no. 16-19.

All Voted Yes. Motion Passed to suspend rules on ordinance no. 16-8

All Voted Yes. Motion Passed to adopt ordinance no. 16-18.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Murray announced that the Snowflake Committee received \$6000 from donations to purchase the snowflakes.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Cianni made motion, seconded by Mrs. Dinch, to go into Executive Session for street negotiations. Mayor Murray and Hoi Wah Black were asked to join Council for Executive Session at 7:04pm.

All vote yes. Motion passed.

Mrs. Dinch made motion, seconded by Mr. Allmon, to go back into Regular Council Session at 7:11pm.

All vote yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Murray had been in discussion with the several corporations who have the large trucks concerning donations to pave the truck routes but nothing would be decided on, and something needs to be done to protect our streets. The village is now looking into charging a tipping fee on the large trucks that travel our streets. The Mayor explained that her administration started with a deficit of over \$300,000.00 and the village does not have the funds to repair and continue to maintain the streets from the damage that the large trucks are causing. The year to date estimate of revenue collected from the taxes from these large corporations is less than \$50,000.00. She said that will not even cover the cost of the salt needed for the winter. She said that if anyone has any questions or suggestions to please contact her.

Mr. Morrow made motion, seconded by Mrs. Dinch, to order into legislation an ordinance to charge for a tipping fee on all bulk materials to be transported to and from the village of Wellsville, to establish a cost, and a periodic review of the fees.

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Mr. Cataldo added that this isn't just damaged asphalt, there are catch basins and storm sewers being damaged by the weight and clogged by gravel. The cost of all this is falling to the tax payers.

All vote yes. Motion passed

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Dinch made motion, seconded by Mr. Morrow that the meeting be adjourned. The next regular council meeting is on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at the Village Hall.

All vote yes. Motion passed

Nancy Murray, Mayor

Hoi Wah Black, Fiscal Officer