

**Village of Middlefield Regular Council Minutes**  
**June 5, 2014**

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Council met in regular session. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. William Blue, Mr. Carl Hofstetter Jr., Mr. Carl Hornung, Mr. Scott Klein, Mr. Richard Seyer, and Mr. Ronald Wiech.

**Also present:** Dan Weir – Administrator, Nick Giardina-Fiscal Officer, Charles Ehrhart – Director of Streets & Utilities, Joseph Tucholski-Chief of Police, Michael Dutton – Recreation Director, Billie Warren – Program Supervisor, Thomas Lee – Taft Law, Village Solicitor, Edna Davis, John Borkholder, Alex Duncan, Sam Morrow, Steve Roessner, Mary Roessner and Ann Wishart-Maple Leaf.

**Opening Ceremony:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Agenda:** Deleted number 2 under First Reading and Under new Business add July Council Dates

**Approval of Minutes:** May 1, 2014 regular meeting – Mr. Hornung moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Seyer. Roll call: Yeas (6).

**Payment of Bills:** Mr. Blue moved to authorize payments totaling \$230,341.61 seconded by Mr. Wiech. Roll call Yeas (6).

**INCOME TAX REPORT** – Report included in the packet.

**DIRECTOR OF STREETS & UTILITIES REPORT** – Report included in the packet. Mr. Ehrhart stated that there was general maintenance and repairs at the plants. Eagle Park inspection was completed and passed. Field maintenance for the sports fields. Water main break on Ridgewood Drive. Discussion regarding the departments overtime; due to the excessive rain causing alarm drops. Discussion regarding the repairs at Glen Valley. Hillcrest is completed from the major repair this winter. ODOT has completed all the handicap ramp through the Village. Discussion regarding the punch list for Sperry Lane. Will be doing some patches at Lake and Springdale. Mayor Garlich commended Mr. Ehrhart and his department on their quickness on getting everything prepared for the Memorial Day Parade.

**POLICE REPORT** – Report included in packet. Chief Tucholski gave the number of calls that the department had for May. Seatbelt safety is in full swing and about 72% of people counted are wearing their seat belts. The Citizens Police Academy graduates helped with traffic control for the Memorial Day Parade. The department will be participating in the Cops N' kids take me fishing program and also Safety Town.

**ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT** – Report included in the packet. Mr. Weir stated that the O'Reilly's project has broken ground. Various permits were issued in May. Wiech asked for an update regarding Crouches house on South State. Mr. Weir stated that the new Zoning Inspector will be dealing with this issue.

**PARKS & RECREATION REPORT** – Report included in the packet. Discussion regarding the decline in Safety Town registration and the advertisement that the department did. Still planning on holding the program with 15 registrants. Soccer program has completed. The coaches did an outstanding job. Baseball and Softball is underway. The department will be hosting the Minors and Majors All Star Games along with the Ponies All Star game. Give all the teams a chance to play under the lights. Cop

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n' Kids fishing will be held on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The Boy Scout troop will be helping with the day. Started registration for the fall programs. Will be holding a pickle ball tournament and introduce this to the area.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT** – Lt. Yeropoli gave the statistics for the Fire Department. Calls are up about 10% from last year. Logged about 49.5 hours of in service training within the department. Hired three new members. Discussion held regarding the various trainings.

**AMBULANCE REPORT** – Paula stated the CCA has hired more employees and are preparing for state inspections this month.

**FINANCIALS** – Report included in packet. The finance committee were given up to the minute financial information and how much is in each account. Mr. Giardina stated that he is trying to make the information more real time and current.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Proclamation to Steve Roessner – Mayor Garlich presented the proclamation to Mr. Roessner, past Zoning Inspector and commending Mr. Roessner on a job well done, professionally and knowledgably.

**FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE 14-120 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE VILLAGE OF MIDDLEFIELD, OHIO**

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 14-120 by title only.

Mr. Hornung made a motion to place Ordinance 14-120 on **first reading**, seconded by Mr. Blue. Roll call: Yeas (6).

**ORDINANCE 14-122 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LESLIE GAMBOSI TO THE COMBINED POSITIONS OF DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING INSPECTOR, PROVIDING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 14-122 by title only.

Mr. Blue made a motion to waive the required readings and declare an emergency, seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (6)

Seyer questioned if Ms. Gambosi would also be the Housing Officer. Discussion held regarding this position. Ms. Gambosi will be starting on Monday

Mr. Klein made a motion to **pass** Ordinance 14-122, seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (6)

**ORDINANCE 14-123 AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE EMPLOYMENT OF DENNIS COYNE AS VILLAGE PROSECUTOR FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY, 2014 THROUGH**

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**MAY. 2014 AND EMPLOYING COYNE AS PROSECUTOR FOR 2015 AND THE REMAINING OF 2014, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Garlich introduced Ordinance 14-123 by title only.

No discussion held.

Mr. Klein made a motion to waive the required readings and declare an emergency, seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (5) Mr. Wiech voted No.

Mr. Blue made a motion to pass Ordinance 14-123, seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (5) Mr. Wiech voted No.

**RESOLUTION 14-13 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BONNER FARMS BUSINESS PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Garlich introduced Resolution 14-13 by title only.

The Village applied for a grant to help with the cost of construction of the road. Received \$150,000 grant toward the project.

Mr. Wiech made a motion to waive the required readings and declare an emergency, seconded by Mr. Klein. Roll call: Yeas (6)

Mr. Hornung made a motion to **pass** Resolution 14-13, seconded by Mr. Klein. Roll call: Yeas (6)

**SECOND READING**

**RESOLUTION 14-11 A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO TAKE STEPS TO PLACE ON THE NOVEMBER, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT A REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING 2.0 MILL LEVY FOR POLICE SERVICES.**

Mayor Garlich introduced Resolution 14-11 by title only.

Mr. Blue moved to place Resolution 14-11 on **second reading**, seconded by Mr. Hornung. Roll call: Yeas: (3)

**THIRD READING** – Nothing before Council.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – Nothing before the Council

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Web Site Report:** Ms. Breyley gave the review for the month. Visits are down for this year. Discussion regarding the various pages that have been viewed.

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2. **Village 2014 Tax Budget – Review and Set Hearing Date for July 3rd at 8 pm.:** The hearing for the date budget will be set for July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.
3. **Cardinal School Rental Fee Advancement – Discussion:** Mayor Garlich stated that he met with the Huskies Nation group and they are asking for advanced money for the school rental fee. Think this is a good for the community and the school. Mayor Garlich has many concerns that need to be addressed. Mr. Lee stated that he just received the letter this afternoon. Council cannot give up revenue stream to a private entity, nor should they give up the decision making regarding the villages money. This matter certainly need to be closely looked into for more detail. Council is in support of this project. Mayor Garlich suggested Mr. Lee take the time needed to acquire the detail and then to have a joint meeting to discuss options.
4. **Performance Audit Implemented Savings Analysis – Review:** Mr. Weir stated that the Auditors have put together a review of the saving that the village has achieved. The village implemented 14 out of the 23 suggestion from the auditor. The Village has exceeded the estimated amount of savings. Mr. Weir stated that the audit proved its worth with cost savings in excess of \$265,000 annually.
5. **July Council Dates:** Discussion regarding changing the date of the July Council meeting July 10<sup>th</sup>. **Mr. Wiech made a motion to change the date for the July meeting, seconded by Hornung. Roll call: Yeas (6)**

**VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS and COMMUNICATIONS**

**Economic Development (Mayor Garlich/Mr. Blue/Mr. Hornung)** – In packet. Ms. Gambosi will be joining the Econ Committee. Discussion regarding whether the Codified Ordinances need to be changed to include the Director.

**Finance & Ordinance (Mr. Seyer/Mr. Klein/Mr. Wiech)** – In packet.

**Streets, Sidewalks, & Utilities (Mr. Wiech/Mr. Hornung/Mayor Garlich)** – No meeting in May.

**Parks & Recreation (Mr. Hofstetter/Mr. Seyer/Mayor Garlich)** – In packet. Discussion regarding a few issues that have surfaced at the parks. The wifi is working well.

**Public Safety (Mr. Hornung/Mr. Blue/Mr. Hofstetter)** – In packet.

**Planning & Zoning (Mayor Garlich/Mr. Klein/Mr. Linberg/Mr. Gyure/Ms. Davis)** – No meeting in May

**VILLAGE CALENDAR:** No changes

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Nothing before Council

There being no further business before Council the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
FISCAL OFFICER

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