

REGULAR COUNCIL

October 3, 2013

Mayor Garlich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: B. Blue, C. Hofstetter, C. Hornung, S. Klein, R. Seyer, and R. Wiech.

Also present: D. Weir – Village Administrator, T. Mekeel – Fiscal Officer, C. Ehrhart – Director of Streets and Utilities, B. Warren – Program Supervisor, S. Roessner – Zoning Inspector, T. Lee – Solicitor, A. Stanko – Chief of Police, B. Reed – Chief, Middlefield Fire Department, Kim Breyley – Middlefield Post, Ann Wishart – MapleLeaf, Sam Morrow, Edna Davis, Adam Bruening, Chris and Dave Hippley, and Alex Duncan.

Agenda: under new business, Sperry Lane pay request #6.

Minutes of September 5, 2013 meeting was presented for approval. Hornung moved to approve the minutes. Blue seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Payment of Bills Totaling \$229,167.89 Wiech moved to authorize payment of \$229,167.89. Hofstetter seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Income Tax Report included in council packet.

Fiscal Officer Report included in council packet.

Director of Streets & Utilities Report Ehrhart stated the department conducted routine maintenance on the water treatment plant and wastewater treatment plant. The service department conducted meter replacement, equipment maintenance, street sweeping, park maintenance, grass mowing, and monthly chipping. Removal of the flowers and hanging baskets and the department closed the splash park. Ehrhart gave a brief update on the Sperry Lane projects and the state's project on route 87.

Police Report included in council packet.

Zoning Inspector's Report included in council packet. Kraftmaid had requested some directional signs that have been approved to help direct emergency personnel in a case of an emergency.

Fire Department Report included in council packet.

Ambulance Report included in council packet.

Financials included in council packet.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Officer Thompson was given Oath of Office and sworn in by Mayor Garlich.

Herb Shubick, Geauga County Health Department gave a brief presentation on the levy that will be on November's ballot and provided information to council and those present in the audience. Mr. Shubick gave a brief background history of the health district.

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 13-146 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF DANIEL THOMPSON TO THE FULL-TIME POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ord. 13-146 by title only.

Hornung moved to waive the required readings and declare an emergency. Klein seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Blue moved to pass **Ordinance 13-146**, Wiech seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

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ORDINANCE 13-143 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIN KINTER TO THE POSITION OF RECREATION DIRECTOR, SETTING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ord. 13-143 by title only.

Hornung moved to waive the required readings and declare an emergency. Klein seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Wiech moved to pass **Ordinance 13-143**, Hornung seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Recreation Report provided on council's desk.

ORDINANCE 13-144 AN ORDINANCE HIRING BILLIE WARREN AS INTERIM RECREATION PROGRAM SUPERVISOR, SETTING COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ord. 13-144 by title only.

Hornung moved to waive the required readings and declare an emergency. Blue seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Wiech moved to pass **Ordinance 13-144**, Hofstetter seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

RESOLUTION 13-20 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTENT TO DISPOSE OF UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT MUNICIPAL OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY VIA INTERNET AUCTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2014.

Mayor Garlich introduced Res. 13-20 by title only.

Klein motioned to put Res. 13-20 on first reading, seconded by Wiech. Roll call: Yeas (6).

ORDINANCE 13-145 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THAT THE REVENUE TO BE COLLECTED UNDER THE 1.45 MILL TAX LEVY FOR AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, APPROVED BY THE VOTERS NOVEMBER 6, 2012 IS GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT ACTUALLY NEEDED, REQUESTING THE GEAUGA COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO DECREASE THE LEVY BY APPROXIMATELY 85% TO 0.22 MILLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Garlich introduced Ord. 13-145 by title only.

Wiech moved to waive the required readings and declare an emergency. Blue seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

Hornung moved to pass **Ordinance 13-145**, Hofstetter seconded. Roll call: Yeas (6).

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

OLD BUSINESS

1. Illuminating Company, Electrical Easement for Middlefield Cheese Well – Lee gave a brief overview of the easement. Middlefield Cheese is requested an electrical line and the Illuminating Company is requesting a broad easement. Lee stated he would like time to review the information he received today from Middlefield Cheese's attorney.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Veterans Memorial Paver – Mayor Garlich gave a brief overview. Hofstetter stated that the Rotary Club has made monetary donates as well as volunteered their time in the construction of the Veteran Memorial. Mayor Garlich stated that as a municipality, the Village should not expend funds for a paver. Council was in consensus.
2. NPDES Permit Modification to Increase Copper Limit – Weir gave an overview of the permit modification. When the plant was built; the Village received its NPDES permit with lower copper limits. Option 1; Weir suggested that the Village hire an engineer and do a partial study and make a donation towards clean water. It would cost the Village about \$13,000.00 and the Village would receive a new NPDES permit with higher copper limits that the Village could routinely meet. Option 2; would be no limits and have the EPA come out; at the Village's expense to do a study; about 3 times a year. *Hornung motioned to allow for the NPDES permit modification to increase copper limit, seconded by Wiech. Roll call: Yeas (6).*
3. Director of Economic Development – Mayor Garlich presented the position to council. A brief overview of the job description was presented. Lengthy discussion was held about the position. It was the consensus of council to approve the creation of a director of economic development position.
4. Market Analysis – Mayor Garlich gave a presentation on the market analysis and Ms. Kirby Date, a student at CSU. The total cost of the analysis is \$1,000.00. This will give the Village an idea of what the Village needs.
5. Web Site Analysis – Breyley provided council with a web analysis and presented the information.
6. Sperry Lane Pay Request #6 – Weir presented a pay request in the amount of \$229,442.57. *Hornung authorized the Village to make payment in the amount of \$229,442.57. Seconded by Blue. Roll call: Yeas (6).*

COMMITTEE REPORT

- Economic Development September 11 & 17, 2013
- Finance & Ordinance September 5, 2013
- Public Safety September 26, 2013
- Parks & Recreation September 18, 2013

CALENDAR

At 8:44 p.m., Hornung moved to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of personnel and land acquisition, seconded by Blue. Roll call: All Yeas (6).

The meeting reconvened at 9:04 p.m.

Being no future business at this time, Mayor Garlich moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Tiffany Mekeel – Fiscal Officer

Mayor Garlich