

MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 4, 2011, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

Emilia Feldman Clerk of Council

Ron Garver called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Council members present: Ron Garver, Sheila Nelson, Randy Otis, Cory Coburn, Doug Eakins, Steve Johnston and Jim King. Also attending were Mayor Darlene Steele, Assistant Finance Director Anita Thompson and Clerk of Council, Emilia Feldman

Prayer by Doug Eakins

Pledge of Allegiance led by Steve Johnston

Motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of an executive session to discuss pending litigation by Mrs. Nelson and Mr. King

Roll Call-All Yeas

Motion to adopt the minutes of the March 21, 2011 Council meeting by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis

Roll Call-All Yeas

Recognition of Guests:

Good Neighbor of the Month Award - Paul Tipple

Mr. Tipple was nominated by an anonymous neighbor. They mentioned that he always does other's yard work, shovels snow, helps put up lights for Christmas in the Park and anything else his neighbors need assistance with. Mr. Tipple received a plaque from the Mayor and Council along with a \$50.00 gift certificate to West Jeff Finer Food.

Old Business (none)

New Business:

- A. **Resolution 11-021**, authorizing the Public Service Director to seek negotiated quotes for the asphalt patching of various locations within the Village.
Discussion: Mr. Otis noted that we have an ordinance that allows for the Service Director to seek negotiated quotes. He said that Mr. Walker had a company in mind that has done good work for the township. Mr. Garver wants a bond in the negotiations.
Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Otis
Roll Call – All Yeas
- B. **Resolution 11-022**, authorizing the Public Service Director to seek negotiated quotes for the paving of Putnam Ave., Ohio Ave., and Marshal Dr.
Discussion: It was discussed that this was already in the budget.
Motion by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Eakins
Roll Call 6 Yeas- Garver, Otis, Coburn, Eakins, Johnston, King
1 Abstention- Nelson- conflict of interest by owning property on one of the streets
- C. **Resolution 11-023**, accepting the finding of the West Jefferson Tax Incentive Review Council.
Discussion: Mr. Garver explained that this was similar to the resolutions passed at the last council meeting regarding the West Jefferson Tax Incentive Review Council that was discussed with Sean Hughes.
Motion by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Mr. King
Roll Call – All Yeas
- D. **Motion** to go into executive session by Mr. Garver and Mr. Eakins at 7:36pm
Roll Call – All Yeas
Motion to return from executive session by Mr. Johnston and Mr. King at 8:02pm.
Roll Call – All Yeas

Committee Reports:

Finance: The Mayor is looking into MT and Ikon come to look at Village hall and give quotes and recommendations for copiers for the Village Offices. The quotes the Mayor has received so far have included maintenance and toner.

Police: there has been a Request from Chief Gates that the money from the sold cruiser go back into the police maintenance fund. The Mayor agrees and will talk with Jack Herrel.

Employee Benefits: Jack will be meeting with a representative from Ohio Insurance Services

Public Service: There is discussion of possibly putting a cheaper generation fee on the November ballot. For every resident that signs up, the Village will receive \$10. Residents could opt out of this plan if they wish.

Development: None

Parks and Recreation: Ordinance for Travel Policy for next meeting. Mrs. Nelson asked her fellow council members to please review the policy and give feedback.

Special Events: High school student will be honored at next meeting.

Director of Finance Report: None

Director of Public Service Report: Absent

Director of Parks and Recreation Report: Absent

Mayor's Report and Recognition: The Mayor has had several State meetings that have been postponed. The Mayor will be attending the Youth Athletic Association opening season for baseball on May 14th.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: Miss Feldman reported that Paul Pollard came and adjusted the sound system. It is now loud and not giving feedback. The meetings are also being recorded and kept for record. Mr. Coburn noted that if copies of CDs will be made available to the public a cost needs to be set. Mr. Garver sent a letter to the Charter Committee about a few changes. For example, if the mayor is absent from the Village for a certain period of time a succession needs to be established. Also the appointment and running in election rules need to be consistent with the Board of Elections. A letter was also sent to Planning and Zoning about the commercial and residential fees from zoning book being put into a separate ordinance.

Mrs. Nelson noted that the sign on Galbreath hall needs to be taken down if it is not being used. It is old and falling apart. Mr. Coburn mentioned that he needs to talk with Jack McDowell about the mowing contract and pool.

Additional Business:

Mr. King suggested having ministers from around the community do the prayer before council

Motion to pay the bills by Mr. Eakins and Mrs. Nelson

Roll Call- All Yeas

Motion to approve “Then and Now” Certificates over \$3,000.00 by Mr. Otis and Mr. Coburn

Roll Call- All Yeas

Motion to adjourn at 8:215 P.M. by Acclimation of Council

Clerk of Council

President of Council