

MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 20, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING

Emilia Feldman Clerk of Council

Jim King called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: Steve Johnston, Doug Eakins, Ron Garver, Sheila Nelson, Cory Coburn, Randy Otis and Jim King. Also attending were Mayor, Darlene Steele, Finance Director Jack Herrel, Public Service Director, Harold Walker, Parks and Rec. Director, Jack McDowell and Clerk of Council, Emilia Feldman.

Prayer by Doug Eakins

Pledge of Allegiance led by Cory Coburn

Motion to Amend the Agenda with Resolution 10-111 authorizing additional funding for the Downtown Enhancement Project and with an executive session to discuss workers compensation.

Motion to adopt the agenda by Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Coburn

Roll Call-All Yeas

Motion to adopt the minutes of the September 20, 2010 Council meeting by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis

Roll Call-All Yeas

Recognition of Guests:

A. Sean Hughes -Madison County Future, Inc. Community Improvement Corporation
Mr. Hughes wanted to thank council for their help with Project KG which is now known as Mars Petcare. Construction has started and should be ready by next fall. Also, the 629 grant project has been approved. Council thanked Mr. Hughes for all of his work on this project. Mr. Walker noted that Garret Flemming will be doing the traffic light by August 1st. The plans for the light need to be approved by ODOT before it is placed at the intersection. The Mayor congratulated Mr. Hughes and Mr. Art Makris for securing Mars Petcare.

B. West Jefferson High School Volleyball Team

The Council and the Mayor presented a Plaque to the West Jefferson High School Volleyball Team. They are the 2010 Mid State League Cardinal Division Champions. The Mayor expressed that she was very proud of the team for being able to balance school, work and sports.

C. John Forrest, Township Trustee – Mr. Forrest brought in a worksheet from the County Auditor Jim Williamson showing that the Township is not getting money for services i.e. EMS runs and Fire runs. Council wishes to speak with Mr. Williamson to work out an agreement.

Old Business:

A. Second Reading of Ordinance 10-101, Setting the pay rates for Village employees, and repealing Ordinance 09-064 passed December 7, 2009.

Discussion: Mr. Coburn noted that the pay rate for water and wastewater superintendent needs to be changed. Mr. Herrel agreed and the changes will be made. Mr. Herrel also noted that the 3% increase does not apply to pool seasonal personal.

Motion with corrections by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Eakins

Roll Call – All Yeas

New Business: (next available number 10-104)

- A. **Ordinance 10-104**, creating the position of Public Service Water Operator Class 1 and setting the pay rate for said position.

Discussion: Mr. Otis questioned if the pay was enough for a Class 1 Operator and Mr. Walker confirmed that the pay was correct. Mr. Walker also explained that we need that position because of EPA standards.

Motion by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call – All Yeas

- B. **Resolution 10-105**, authorizing the Public Service Director to purchase a 2011 Ford F250 for the sewer department at the State Bid Contract Price of \$20,439.00 from Germain Ford.

Discussion: Mr. Walker explained that this was a truck for sewer plant usage. This truck will also be used with a plow on the front in winter.

Motion by Mr. Otis and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call – All Yeas

- C. **Resolution 10-106**, confirming the Mayor's re-appointment of Ray Martin to the Village Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion by Mr. Otis and seconded by Mr. Johnston

Roll Call – All Yeas

- D. **Motion to not have a hearing** before the Ohio Division of Liquor Control in the matter of renewing the liquor license for Ronni's Roadhouse.

Motion by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. Garver

Roll Call 6 Yeas- Johnston, Garver, Otis, Coburn, Eakins and King

1 Abstention due to conflict of interest- Mrs. Nelson

- E. **Ordinance 10-107**, authorizing various supplemental appropriations.

Discussion: Mr. Herrel explained that the police get paid +80 hours due to working holidays. Police salaries have been short the past few years because this has not been considered.

Motion by Mr. Otis and seconded by Mrs. Nelson

Roll Call – All Yeas

- F. **Resolution 10-108** creating Council Committees to assist various departments and commissions for the 2011 term of Council.

Motion by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call – All Yeas

G. **Resolution 10-109**, accepting the property values, tax rates, and estimated tax revenue for calendar year 2011 as estimated by the Madison County Budget Commission.

Discussion: Mr. Herrel explained the breakdown of the real-estate taxes.

Motion by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Otis.

Roll Call – All Yeas

H. **Ordinance 10-110**, authorizing the Director of Finance to Transfer 18,757.00 from the FEMA fund to the Street and Maintenance Fund and declaring it an emergency.

Discussion: Mr. Walker explained that money back from hurricane Ike and a past snow storm was borrowed from the Street Department Fund. We are now putting the money back into the Street Department Fund

Motion by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Johnston

Roll Call – All Yeas

I. **Resolution 10-111**, authorizing additional funding for project MAD-40-14/17, PID#82187 (Better known as the Downtown Enhancement Project) For Alternate bid AA2 and Alternate Bid AB2 in the amount of \$1,540.00 and an additional 32,380.00 per the lowest bid for said project.

Discussion: Mr. Walker explained the figures were based on an estimate and the actual amount was over. We will be receiving 17 additional light poles to match the ones that we currently have. The new light poles will be black and the old light poles will be painted black. The lights will stretch from Ann and Tony's to Flyers.

Motion by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Eakins

Roll Call – All Yeas

J. **Motion to enter into Executive Session** to discuss worker's compensation at 8:42pm by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Johnston

Motion to return from Executive Session at 9:00pm by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Otis.

Committee Reports:

Finance: None

Police: None

Employee Benefits: None

Public Service: None

Development: None

Parks and Recreation: Will have another meeting regarding Senior Citizen Center lease

Special Events:

Director of Finance Report: Mr. Herrel gave out the monthly budget report

Director of Public Service Report: None

Director of Parks and Recreation Report: Will be working on Galbreath Hall, including scraping paint, plaster and repainting. Galbreath Hall will be closed for the holidays.

Mayor's Report and Recognition: The mayor thanks all those who helped with float in the parade. Christmas in the Park was great and project KG is finalized.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: An annexation was laid before council and will be revisited 30 later. Mr. Herrel had a report on court cases from the Tax Department. It was questioned why we don't address zoning violations in this matter.

Mr. Otis was contacted by a resident on Parkdale noting that he was impressed with the plowing after the snow storm.

Mr. Coburn wanted to thank for all the help with Christmas in the Park.

Additional Business: None

Motion to pay the bills by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call- All Yeas

Motion to approve "Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00 by Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Johnston.

Motion to adjourn: 9:12 P.M. by Mr. Eakins and Seconded by Mr. Otis

All Yeas.

Clerk of Council

President of Council