

MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 20 2011, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

Emilia Feldman Clerk of Council

Ron Garver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Prayer by Ray Martin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Sheila Nelson

Motion to adopt the agenda by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. King

Roll Call-All Yeas

Motion to adopt the minutes of the June 6, 2011 Council meeting by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis

Roll Call-All Yeas

New Business: (next available number 11-40)

Presentation by the West Jefferson Charter Review Commission. Bob Gose and Patsy Philips as well as other members of the Commission came to discuss the changes that will be voted on the ballot in November to the Village Charter. One of the changes will be provisions if the Mayor is absent, inaccessible, and unwilling to perform the duties of Mayor. Changes discussed by council were to remove “and” to become “or” which the Commission agreed as well. Mr. McDowell suggested a list of definitions to go along with the charter. Mr. Parsons will have to look over the changes and write the legislation that will be on the ballot in November.

Resolution 11-040, accepting the Aetna choice POF OA 2500.00 80% H.S.A. Health Insurance Plan Renewal, from the Ohio Public Entity Consortium, as presented by the Ohio Insurance Services Agency, Inc.

Discussion: Mr. Coburn talked about how Megan Toich was at our last meeting and there will be changes in the deductible. The Mayor will set up meetings with Megan to discuss the insurance changes with the employees.

Motion by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mrs. Nelson

Roll Call All Yeas

Resolution 11-041, authorizing the Finance Director to Obtain a Village Credit Card for Village use.

Discussion: Mr. Herrel explained that the credit card company has requested a piece of legislation to prove that council has agreed to have a credit card.

Motion by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Coburn.

Roll Call - All Yeas

Ordinance 11-042, setting the pay rate for Officer Matthew Stevers retroactive to June 6, 2011 and declaring it an emergency.

Discussion: Mr. Walker and Mayor have talked with Chief Gates. There was debate on actual first day of work and sworn in date. Mr. Herrel stated that the day of work will be his first day as a full time employee with the village.

Motion by Mr. Coburn and Mrs. Nelson

Roll Call – All Yeas

Resolution 11-043, authorizing the Finance Director to make available funds from the Village’s TIF account that is earmarked for roadway improvements along State Route 29 in the amount of \$24,500.00 from a traffic signal and lane improvements at commerce parkway and State Route 29 and authorizing the Public Service Director to take bids for said improvements.

Discussion: Mr. Walker explained that we need 24,500.00 for the traffic signal in SR 29. The developer who agreed to release money from the ESCROW account has not done so yet, and

the Village is under contract with Mars Pet Care to have this traffic signal in. Mr. Hughes explained the problem and how the TIF was set up for commerce parkway.

Motion by Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mrs. Nelson

Roll Call – All Yeas.

Resolution11-044, accepting the offer of \$750,000.00 in Roadwork Development (629) Account funds, to be applied on behalf of “Project Silo”

Discussion: Mr. Hughes talked about Project Silo. It has been in the works since the holidays. This grant is similar to the Mars grant. It opens up the ability to develop more property on commerce parkway.

Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Eakins.

Roll Call – All Yeas

Committee Reports:

Finance: None

Police: New cruisers are in.

Employee Benefits: none

Public Service: Will be meeting on Thursday at 8:30am

Development: Met this evening, but the Law Director was not present. Next meeting will be July 5th at 6:00pm.

Parks and Recreation: None

Special Events: None

Director of Finance Report: May financial report was given out.

Director of Public Service Report: met with contractors about line by Taylor Blair road

Director of Parks and Recreation Report: Pool is up and running. The pool has made about \$20,000.00 usually we go into July with \$30-34,000.00.

Mayor’s Report and Recognition: We currently have two police cruisers while the new one gets lights, sirens etc put on. The downtown project is moving along and the Mayor wishes to give a big thank you to the Charter Review Commission and all their hard work.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: Jim King wanted to know if we had any more information on the lift. Harold has not heard back from companies that said they would give estimates. Mr. Coburn wishes to meet with the Police Committee in regards to a donation. Mr. Eakins wants to have the ceiling fixed in Council Chambers.

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

Roll Call- All Yeas

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

Roll Call- All Yeas

Motion to adjourn: 8:52 P.M. by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. Garver

Roll Call - All Yeas

Clerk of Council

President of Council

