

MINUTES FOR THE NOVEMBER 21, 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, Doug Eakins and Jim King. Also attending were Mayor, Darlene Steele, Public Service Director, Harold Walker, Finance Director Jack Herrel, Ron Parsons, Law Director and Clerk of Council, Emilia Feldman

Prayer by Jack Herrel

Pledge of Allegiance led by Jim King

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

Roll Call-All Yeas

Motion to adopt the minutes of the November 7, 2011 Council meeting by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Otis

Roll Call-All Yeas

Recognition of Guests:

Jamie Ottery from Muifield Energy- Ms. Ottery talked about energy solutions for the village for gas and electricity to save money. Jack Herrel will provide a copy of gas and electric bills for purposes of giving us a quote.

Mrs. Roberta Clevenger- Mrs. Clevenger was there to ask council about the accident she had that tore out the manifold on her car. The contractor's insurance company refused her claim and now she wants to know what to do. Harold Walker told her she needs to go after the contractor (Shelly & Sands)

Adam Rapin- Mr. Rapin is from Steve Stivers office and wants to help the Village with some grants.

Sean Hughes – The Chamber of Commerce will be doing the Christmas Tree bidding again this year. There will be Christmas trees around the businesses of Madison County and people can bid on the trees. All money collected will go towards “Welcome” signs for that village/city. Any leftover funds will go towards the painting and installing of the signs. There are trees at Mike's Pizza, the Gateway Shoppes, Flyers, the Mustard seed and others.

Old Business (None)

New Business: (next available number 11-067)

- A. Ordinance 11-067**, authorizing the mayor to sign the addendum to the TIF agreement and declaring it an emergency.

Discussion: Ron Parsons met with the Development committee. There were some difficulties including changes to the TIF that Silo wanted. A takeover clause was discussed meaning if we do not finish the job by December 2012 they can finish the job. The Village is not paying for road and improvement. Silo sends money to the county. The school gets their money and the left over goes into a fund. The road will be paid for by grants and Silo's taxes to the county.

Motion to move section III to Section III of the addendum by Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Johnston

Roll Call – All Yeas

Motion to pass Ordinance 11-067 by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Johnston

Roll Call – All Yeas

B. First Reading of Ordinance 11-068, establishing new water and sewer user rates for Village residents

Discussion: Mrs. Nelson wanted to know if there will still be the water and sewer surcharge. Mr. Walker explained that those charges would still be on the bill. It is only the water and sewer that will be going up 10%. Mr. Johnston inquired if this had to do with a capital improvement fund, Mr. Walker said no.

C. First Reading Ordinance 11-069, establishing water and sewer tapping fees and deposits for street replacement after such hookups and repealing ordinance 06-031 passed June 19, 2006

Discussion: A fire line fee had been added, this is a onetime fee designated for fire usage

D. Resolution 11-070, authorizing the Director of Finance to transfer \$30,000.00 from the Sewer Fund to the Wastewater Repair Fund

Discussion: Mr. Herrel explained that this is done every year from the original sewer plant project.

Motion by Mr. Otis and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call – All Yeas

E. Ordinance 11-071, authorizing a supplemental appropriation in the General Fund in the amount of \$15,000.00.

Discussion: One company who pays quarterly over paid for taxes and we need to refund them.

Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Coburn

Roll Call – All Yeas

Committee Reports:

Finance: Will be meeting Monday 11/28 at 5:00pm and Friday 12/2 at 2:00pm

Police: None

Employee Benefits: Meeting December 1 at 6:00pm with Evans and Associates.

Public Service: Met last Thursday to discuss the tap fees and water rates. Water and sewer rates will be raised 10%. Mr. Walker also talked to the people who will be doing our bat removal at Village Hall. There was also discussion of possibly hiring a Laborer for the Sewer Department.

Development: Meeting with Ron Parsons on the 18th.

Parks and Recreation: Jack McDowell will be out of the state until December 1st. There was discussion about the liability of players of the WJYAA on village property, such as Galbreth Hall and the park. Mr. Stanley was there who explained that the Village owned the property, like Galbreth but they owned the contents. The WJYAA does not have liability for Galbreth hall or the parks. Some of the Council members were concerned about if someone go hurt while playing there, who would be liable. There was also a discussion about the scoreboard that was donated to the WJYAA but now is permanently mounted to the building which raised the question if it was the Village's responsibility or the WJYAA.

Concerns were also raised about the trash in the parks. A dumpster would work best at the park but nobody wants it near them.

Special Events: The Christmas Parade will be on December 10th.

Director of Finance Report: Mr. Herrel is finishing up the Mayor's budget and was given to the finance committee.

Director of Public Service Report: Mrs. Nelson was concerned about the direction of Chester St. It was supposed to be changed. Mr. Walker said that it will be changed soon.

Director of Parks and Recreation Report: Absent

Mayor's Report and Recognition: Met with Silo, and was glad about the election results for Council Members.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: Miss Feldman has updated the website, and has worked with Doug Butscher at Government Accounting Solutions to develop a program for new meter book pages to be printed from the system, as opposed to hand writing approximately 1700 pages. This will save at least 10-15 man hours of work.

Mr. Eakins wanted to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Nelson wanted to thank Mayor Steele for putting on her Thanksgiving dinner for the community at the Baptist Church.

Additional Business: None

Motion to pay the bills by Mrs. Nelson and seconded by Mr. King
By Acclimation of Council

Motion to approve "Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00 by Mr. Eakins and seconded by Mr. King
By Acclimation of Council

Motion to adjourn: 9:07 P.M. By Mr. Coburn and seconded by Mr. Eakins
By Acclimation of Council

Clerk of Council

President of Council