

REGULAR COUNCIL

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January 3, 2008

Mayor Poole called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present: B. Blue, E. Davis, C. Hofstetter, J. Jemison, S. Klein and B. Wallace.

Also present: C. Osborne – Fiscal Officer, D. Weir - Admin., C. Ehrhart – Director of Streets & Utilities, Chief Stehlik, John Borkholder, Carl Hornung and Ann Wishart – Maple Leaf.

Agenda: Add to New Business: Phillip Miller Construction - Sports Park pay request
Phillip Miller Construction – Municipal Parking Lot
Improvements pay request

Minutes of December 31, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Davis moved to approve the minutes as presented. Hofstetter seconded. Roll Call: Yeas (5). Abstain: Klein.

Payment of Bills Totaling \$45,346.28 was presented for payment. Blue moved to authorize the payment of bills totaling \$45,346.28. Davis seconded. Roll Call: Yeas (6).

Director of Streets & Utilities: Routine maintenance at the WTP and the WWTP, meter reading and new meter installation, storm sewer cleaning, sewer main cleaning and snow plowing.

Ehrhart reported in 2007 the WTP pumped 139.9 million gallons of water for a period of 291 days. This is 3 million gallons more than what was pumped in 2006. The WWTP discharged 214 million gallons in 2007.

Mayor Poole stated due to Ehrhart's shoulder surgery and one service crew member being on vacation, Sgt. Tucholski assisted Ehrhart with plowing snow.

Police Report – December: Chief stated there were a total of 11,350 calls in 2007, which is the biggest year since the Village took over the dispatch center in 1998.

The Shop with a Cop Program donations resulted in more families benefiting. Chief stated our police department didn't have enough officers to aid the families during their shopping, and stated a few members of the Middlefield Fire Dept. and officers from the Geauga Co. Sheriff's Dept. volunteered their time.

Cpl. Ed Samec received notice the grant application for a Thermal Imager has been approved. Also, the Middlefield Police Dept. was rated in the top 24 police agencies in Ohio, and will receive a chance to win a new cruiser. This is the second year our department has received this rating.

Zoning Inspector's Report –December: included in the council packet.

Engineer's Report – December: included in the council packet.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Carl Hornung thanked Ehrhart and the service crew for their excellent job plowing snow.

FIRST READING

Ordinance 08-101: Enacting New Chapter 927 of the Codified Ordinances to Require Payment of a Road Damage Deposit for all Construction in the Village, and Declaring an Emergency.

Discussion held regarding terms of this ordinance. No action taken.

SECOND READING – none before council.

THIRD READING – none before council.

PENDING PASSAGE

Ordinance 07-155: Amending Existing Sections 1140.04 and 1140.06 of the Codified Ordinances to Modify the Application Fees for Occupancy Permits, to Provide for Additional Flexibility in Issuing Permits for Minor Additions or Improvements, and to Make Certain Related Technical Amendments.

A public hearing is scheduled for Jan. 17, 2008 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Ordinance 07-160: Amending Existing Section 1165.03, 1165.08 and 1165.14 of the Codified Ordinances to make Certain Technical Amendments Regarding the Village's Sign Regulations.

A public hearing is scheduled for Jan. 17, 2008 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Ordinance 07-161: Amending Existing Section 1140.06(a) of the Codified Ordinances to Correct a Typographical Omission.

A public hearing is scheduled for Jan. 17, 2008 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS – none before council.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Abcon, Inc – Eagle Park Landscaping pay request #2** – Weir stated grading, grass planting and tree planting will be completed in the spring. Provost states in his report this contract will need an extension to complete the project. *Klein moved to extend the completion date of this project to May 17, 2008, seconded by Hofstetter. Roll Call: All Yeas (6).*
Klein moved to authorize pay request #2 to Abcon, Inc. for the Eagle Park Landscaping project, in the amount of \$6,847.01, seconded by Davis. Roll Call: All Yeas (6).
- 2. Phillip Miller Construction – N. Thompson Sports Park final pay request** – *Wallace moved to authorize the final pay request for the N. Thompson Sports Park project to Phillip Miller Construction, in the amount of \$6,198.80, seconded by Klein. Roll Call: All Yeas (6).*
- 3. Phillip Miller Construction – Municipal Parking Lot Improvements final pay request** – *Davis moved to authorize the final pay request for the Municipal Parking Lot Improvements to Phillip Miller Construction, in the amount of \$4,282.40, seconded by Klein. Roll Call: Yeas – 5. Abstain: Hofstetter.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CALENDAR

At 7:53 p.m., Davis moved to adjourn into executive session for purposes of employee compensation. Blue seconded. Roll Call: All Yeas (6).

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 p.m. and, being no further business at this time, Davis moved to adjourn.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor