



Minutes of the Village Council Meeting October 25, 2004

On Monday, Oct 25, 2004, Mayor Tom Hopper called the Village of Galena Council meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St.

Roll Call

Present

Sheila Miller, Clerk
Tom Hopper, Mayor
Roberta Miller, Council Member
Betsy Hildebrand, Council Member

Jim Slifko, Council Member
David Simmons, Council President
Chris Underwood, Council Member
Tony Hamilton, Council Member

Also Present

David LaValle, Public Service Director
Bob Jablonski, PDG
Mike Hamilton, Village Maintenance
Joe Underwood, Village Resident
Dagmar Cianelli, The News
Dock Ronk, Village property owner

John Roepke, The Delaware Gazette
Linda Ronk, Village property owner
Ken Molnar, Village Solicitor
Ed Karn, Village Resident
Tom Andrews, Big Walnut Board of Education
Pat Bennet, Police Chief

The executive session was postponed to later in the evening.

Meeting Minutes

David Simmons moved to accept the Set. 27, 2004 Council minutes after the mentioned date changes Dave Simmons motioned acceptance as corrected, Betsy Hildebrand seconded the correction motion. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 in a voice vote.

Payment of Invoices for July

Betsy Hildebrand moved that the Village pay invoices for September. Roberta Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 6-0 in a voice vote.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Sheila Miller, Acting Clerk/Treasurer, reported that the bank will no longer be sending the canceled checks; they will send a micro image with the statement. The Bank has also requested that Sheila start transferring the direct deposits via the internet. The direct deposits in question are the monthly payroll deposits for Tom and Sally Hopper; this will begin with November's paychecks. The following money was transferred in October:

*\$4050.00 was reallocated out of the General Fund's Capital Outlay Budget.

*\$2400.00 was moved to pay the remainder of the Administrative Assistant's salary.

*\$500 was moved to pay the remainder of the Admin. Asst.'s OPERS fees.

*\$400 was moved to the Printing and Reproduction Fund.

*\$750 was moved to pay the remainder of the Maintenance Personnel's OPERS.

Police Report

Pat Bennett was present there was not much to report, he stated the Police will begin enforcing the compact car ordinance after the 30 day contention period as well as after the Village maintenance installs a sign designating the parking spot as compact cars only. Pat also stated that the division was ready for the Beggar's night in Galena.

Ordinance No 2004-08

There was a third reading of Ordinance #2004-08, authorizing the designation of compact car parking spaces within the Village of Galena and providing penalties for violation. Ken Molnar found that the Village needs to allow an exception to the Village regulation against parking within 20 feet of an intersection. Dave Simmons moved to accept the ordinance as well as the exception. Tony Hamilton seconded the motion, and the ordinance was passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y.

Ordinance No 2004-09

There was a first reading for an ordinance changing the zoning classification of a 1/6 acre tract, more or less, in the name of Doc and Linda Ronk at 127 Homes St., from Planned Industrial District to Planned Commercial District. The property owners would like to remodel the upper level into a single family apartment. The Planning and Zoning recommended rezoning the planned commercial lots. The planned commercial lots would permit residency on the second level. Dave Lavalley then recommended blanketing the zoning and planning changes for all property on Holmes St. That recommendation will be looked into at a later date. This ordinance was declared an emergency because the Ronk's have already attended several Zoning meetings. Betsy Hildebrand motioned to suspend the rules of reading the second and third time. Jim seconded the rule suspension. The rule suspension passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y. Tony Hamilton moved to adopt the ordinance and Roberta Miller seconded the motion to adopt. The Ordinance passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y.

Resolution No 2004-05

A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of title to Real Estate being donated by the Ohio to Erie Trail Fund and providing for the construction of the trail, second reading. There are still several pending concerns before the Council will pass this resolution. Specific conditions of the agreement are not set; the contract for sale needs to be renegotiated to include .6 of an acre not previously approved. As of this date there has not been a Title Search and there has also not been a survey, both of these are pending the .6 acre concern. The Friends of the Trail are planning a clear off day of November 6. This was the third reading and Betsy Hildebrand moved to table this resolution and Roberta Miller seconded the motion. The table passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y.

Resolution No 2004-08

This was the second reading for resolution authorizing application for the Clean Ohio Trail Fund. This is authorizing an application for a grant from the Clean Ohio Trail Fund. This is a joint effort with other entities. The Village Council is awaiting the estimates for construction from the Friends of the Trail.

Guest Speaker-Ton Andrews, Big Walnut Board of Education

Tom Andrews was present to discuss the upcoming levy on the ballot for the Big Walnut School District. He stated that what the percentages of the monies would be used for specific projects. He also answered any questions that were asked.

Resolution 2004-10

This was the first reading for a resolution authorizing bidding for residential solid waste and recycling services. The Rumpke contract expires in January and Tom Hopper suggested receiving bids before the contract is renewed. There are now several companies servicing our area that offer curb side recycling which the Village has had as a stipulation in the past contact. This resolution was declared an emergency in order to receive bids before the January 31 date. Dave Simmons motioned to suspend the rules and Betsy Hildebrand seconded the motion. The rule suspension passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y. Roberta Miller moved to adopt Resolution 2004-10 and Tony Hamilton seconded the motion. The resolution was passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y.

Resignation of Council Member

Betsy Hildebrand informed the Village that she would be moving out of the Village and resigned on 10/31/04. Betsy was a member for 7 years; she was on the Zoning and Finance committee. Roberta Miller motioned to accept the resignation and Dave Simmons seconded the resignation. The resignation regretfully passed 6-0 in a voice vote. Ed Karn, former Council Member has stated he would assume the remaining 1 year of Betsy's position. Betsy Hildebrand moved to accept Ed's appointment and Dave Simmons seconded the motion. The appointment passed 6-0 in a voice vote as follows; Roberta-y, Besty-y, Chris-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, Jim-y. Jim Slifko stated he would like to replace Betsy on the Zoning Committee and Ed stated he would take the vacancy in the Finance Committee. Dave Simmons motioned to accept the committee assignments and Tony Hamilton seconded the motion. The committee assignments passed 6-0 in a voice vote.

Public Service Director's Report

Public Service Director Dave LaValle reviewed his report (attached). The Administrative Assistant's monthly report was distributed (attached).

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Report

Tom Hopper reported that there was a final approval for Sage Creek, and there was not an explanation for the change in the decision.

BST &G Fire Board Report

Jim Slifko said there was nothing to report.

Parks and Special Events Committee

Susie Kossmann was present and reported that they were preparing for Beggar's night on Oct 25. She also reported that there was going to be a trail clearing on 11/6 and for all who wanted to participate to meet at Miller Park. The Christmas tree lighting is set for 12/5. The lights will be hung November 13, as well as the garland will be hung Thanksgiving weekend. Santa will be visting the children of Galena on 12-18 from 10-noon. Susie also requested that there be a new flag set on the square. Also mentioned was the unlit tattered flag on the fence at the Jeff Dutiel Field. Dave Lavalle is going to address the situation.

Zoning and Planning Commission

Tom Hopper said there was a short meeting and there will was a Zoning Hearing regarding Dock Ronk's property on Holmes St.

Big Walnut Leadership Advisory Council

Tom Hopper stated there was nothing new to report.

Personnel Committee

The personnel committee met and discussed the new personnel procedures. There were some corrections submitted to Dave for final draft.

Tom Hopper visited the Big Walnut Elementary second graders. There he discussed local government including mayors, councils, the Village, elections and campaign reports. He then answered the students' questions.

Executive Session

Council adjourned to executive session at 8:32 p.m. Dave Simmons moved to adjourn to Executive Session and Tony Hamilton seconded the motion, all agreed in a 6-0 voice vote.

Council returned to regular session at 9:470 pm, Dave Simmons moved to reconvene and Betsy Hildebrand seconded the motion, all agreed in a 6-0 voice vote.

Adjournment

Betsy Hildebrand made a motion to adjourn. Chris Underwood seconded the motion and it passed unanimously in a 6-0-voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled for November 22, 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Sheila Miller, Village Clerk