

**March 9, 2015**

Mayor Adams called the meeting of Village Council to order on Monday, March 9, 2015 with all members present.

Moved by Lyle second by Kokovich that Council dispense with the reading of the February 9, 2015 minutes and approve as distributed. Motion carried.

Visitors: John Lowe from The Daily Jeffersonian, Dick Payne, Representatives from American Farmers Grow Communities.

The meeting started with the reporting of the 2014 Annual Report.

## **REPORTS**

**Solicitor:** Eickelberger reported currently working of various issues.

**Police Chief:** Chief Hayes gave the February monthly report.

- 1) Reported 175 calls for service in February with 29 arrests.
- 2) Chief Hayes reported body cameras for the police department have been ordered and will be ready to use as soon as everything is set up.
- 3) Chief Hayes reported receiving 100 gun lock safety kits supplied through Project ChildSafe. The department will be distributing free of charge to local residents.

**Fire Chief:** Chief Gates gave the February monthly report.

- 1) Reported 17 fire runs and 76 EMS runs with 77 EMS patients for February.
- 2) Chief Gates received a check from the American Farmers Grow Communities for \$2,500 which they plan to use on diving related equipment and training. New Concord Fire Department was chosen by a local farmer who wished to remain anonymous.

**Mayor:** Mayor Adams reported New Concord Board of Trade Banquet is March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

- 1) Mayor Adams reported Lets Pick It Up New Concord will be Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.
- 2) Discussed the 2014 Dedicated Public Servant Award and stated that nominations are still being accepted. Essex will coordinate the event.
- 3) Reported continuing to work on making appointments to Village Boards and Commissions.

**Policy:** Bronner reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Bronner reported the committee endorsed Resolution 3-15-2 authorizing the Mayor to enter into a pre-annexation agreement with Union Township and certain property owners including Gary Rubel, Garland Real Estate and G-R Contracting, Inc.

**Infrastructure:** Dickson reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Dickson reported committee reviewed Village Hall Roof Replacement Project and decided to table the discussion until additional information is received regarding design options.

**Finance:** Kokovich reported committee did not meet.

**Safety:** Essex reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Essex reported the committee supports the purchase of two rifles for the police department, noting that officers will have to receive the proper training and certification for use of the rifles and a policy will be created as to when it is appropriate to employ the rifles.
- 2) Essex reported the committee received fire department update. Items currently need addressed include heating, safety issues for staff and continue maintaining healthy staff. A list of capital replacement costs of various operating equipment was reviewed.

**Fiscal Officer:** Marlatt gave February financial report.

- 1) Reported Fund Report shows total expenditure and revenue month end balance of \$640,238.
- 2) Reported bills paid in February totaled \$209,823.
- 3) Reported delivery of 430 ton of salt was received this winter totaling \$31,200 which is an increase of over \$12,000 from prior year. The price per ton of salt increased 66% over previous year.
- 4) Reported the advertisement for the sale of the used equipment is posted on the village website and in the local newspapers. Bid opening will be March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- 5) Reported receiving \$2,498 from Ohio Department of Health for the new PH Fluoride Bench Top Meter in February.

**Administrator:** Colley reported no non-compliance issues for February in the Water/Sewer Plants.

- 1) Colley reported the Village obtained a grant of \$819.91 for a new fluoride chemical feed pump from Ohio Department of Health.
- 2) Reported staff has been working very hard to keep Village streets clear of snow and ice. Staff continues to use flare guns to scare off and dissuade buzzards from roosting within the village.
- 3) Reported Colley and Marlatt attended a local government ethics training session in February at Ohio State University. Colley attended the OCMA conference.
- 4) Reported village staff is working to incorporate the adopted South Friendship Drive Corridor Design guidelines into the zoning code.
- 5) Reported staff have met with L-Conn/Poggemeyer and currently waiting on information from the developer regarding the I70 & SR 83 Development.
- 6) Colley reported a meeting between railroad, ODOT, ORDC, the Muskingum County Engineer, and the Village was held in February. The group determined that preliminary engineering was necessary in order to establish approximate costs.
- 7) Reported Union Township approved the pre-annexation agreement.
- 8) Reported ODOT/Safe Routes to School Project is delayed due to weather. The list of work has been posted to the website and Village staff will work with impacted residents as the project progresses.
- 9) Reported working with Honeywell, Inc. to review energy usage and potential savings opportunities in March. The company will provide this review to the Village at no charge.



**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Dickson to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Lyle. All voted yea. Motion carries. Executive Session starts at 8:40 p.m.

Motion to adjourn executive session by Lyle, seconded by Dickson. All voted yea. Motion carried. Conclusion of Executive Session at 9:05 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENTS:** Motion by Dickson, seconded by Kokovich to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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Fiscal Officer