

Mayor Skilliter called the meeting to order at 7:34 P.M. with the pledge to the flag. As the Clerk/Treasurer and Village Administrator were out of town, the Mayor appointed Elizabeth Slotnick as Acting Clerk/Treasurer. Roll was called: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick. Also present were Mrs. Smith, Village Solicitor and Mr. Telecky of Poggemeyer Design Group.

Approval of the Minutes

April 6th meeting

Under Mayor's Report

On the second line, "would be" should be changed to "was."

Under Utilities

The item should read: "It is recommended to award the bid to work on the Washington Street water tower to D&M Painting Corporation from Washington, PA."

Mr. Fintel moved, second by Mr. Bower to approve the minutes as amended. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Engineers Report

Mr. Telecky reported on a meeting last week regarding providing water to Curtice. Officials from Lucas Co., Oregon, Ottawa Co., Curtice, and Poggemeyer Design Group for Genoa attended. Genoa does have the capacity to provide water to Curtice. A petition would need to be submitted to the Ottawa County Commissioners to move forward.

Poggemeyer Design Group will meet next week with George Adams to update details on the general plan for the water system upgrade, the Ottawa County sanitary sewer agreement, the new elevated water tank, and the space study for the utility garage. Phase X of the sewer separation project has been submitted to the Small Government Funding and we should hear in the first week of May about the outcome for this application.

Charlene Kerr and Lauren Faccone will be working on the grant for the Downtown revitalization project which has an end of May deadline.

The bid has been awarded to D&M Painting for the Washington Street water tower. The contractor plans to start in mid-May and should finish in about thirty days.

Phase II of the sewer project in Clay and Allen Townships is out for bids. May 17 is the scheduled day to open bids.

To mark the street and alley center lines, it is recommended that we prioritize the areas in the community and then proceed. A cost estimate will be forthcoming on this project.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Adams' written report has been submitted to the Clerk/Treasurer.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bower moved, second by Mr. Fintel to pay the bills. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Recreation Advisory Board

A meeting will be held on Thursday, April 23 at 6:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Zoning Board

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held April 28 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall. On Tuesday, April 21, the Regional Planning Commission will meet. On the agenda is the rezoning of the Richard Harmeyer property from M-2 to M-3. This involves 12 acres on the east side of Genoa-Clay Center Road.

Mayor's Report

No Report

Anyone Wishing to Address Council

Cym Sondergeld of 109 South Main spoke for a group of residents on South Main and South Washington about their concerns of the dust raised by the trucks from Sylvester Material Co., damage to their cars, overweight and speeding trucks. Mr. Ronald Traver of 110 Washington, Mr. Abbott of 112 Washington, Mr. Dave Coffmann of 202 Washington also spoke of their concerns in this matter. Possible solutions to the problems were discussed: spray-wash the wheels of the trucks before they enter public roads, tarps over the loads, an access road bypassing Main Street to SR 163, more police patrols for speed and weight. The Mayor responded by detailing the talks he has had with Sylvester Material Co. on this matter, recognized that Underground Utilities will return this spring to repave the areas they had dug up last fall, increased street sweeping on Mondays and Wednesdays, that an access road to SR 163 is in our thoroughfare plan and Main Street from the corporation limits north to a point where an existing curb line is will be scratch coated by the Village this spring.

Mr. Dave Coffmann addressed Council regarding a dip in the Village right-of-way which floods when it rains, requesting that it be leveled; a tree that was partially cut down; concerns for the safety of the fire hydrant at 2nd and Washington which is easily hit by semi-trucks; the sewer pumping station that has a strong sewer gas smell two to three hours a day; the sidewalk parallel to Washington which was damaged when Underground Utilities installed the new water line; and the paving of the north-south alley between Main and Washington. The Public Works Director will look into the dip, the sewer pumping station and the tree. Underground Utilities should look into the sidewalk problem when they return to finish paving and clean-up of their project. The north-south alley will be paved this year. Council will consider removing Washington Street south of SR 163 from the thoroughfare plan and place a "No Trucks" sign on the street.

Committee Reports

Streets and Sidewalks

A meeting was held on April 8 and a copy of the minutes are on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's office. Mrs. Slotnick moved to have the Village Administrator proceed with the street paving project as listed in the minutes. After a brief discussion, Mrs. Slotnick withdrew her motion. Council approved the street paving projects as listed.

The surveying of the village streets and alleys, establishing center pins in the streets and alleys block by block was supported by Council. Mr. Telecky will work with Mr. Adams to prioritize the streets in the Village and provide a cost estimate.

Mrs. Slotnick moved, second by Mr. Fintel to recommend that the Village Administrator investigate vacation of all East-West alleys on an individual, or alley by alley basis.

Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mrs. Slotnick moved, second by Mr. Bittner to have the Village Administrator prepare the appropriate ordinances to advertise for bid for the purchase of a new leaf machine.

Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mrs. Slotnick moved, second by Mr. Avery to have the Village Administrator prepare the appropriate ordinances to advertise for bid for the purchase of a new dump truck.

Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

The Mayor recommended that the committee investigate more accurately the costs of new street signs in town and then report back to Council. The Mayor requested that the signs be put at a uniform level throughout the community.

The street parking of cars for more than 24 hours was turned over to the Safety Committee. Street parking on Village right-of-ways and concerns of the Tree Commission will be looked into by the Mayor.

Utilities

No Report

Finance

Robert T. Skellern Jr.

There will a meeting on April 27 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Safety No Report

AdHoc No Report

Economic Development No Report

Insurance No Report

Ordinances/Resolutions/Motions

Mr. Avery presented Resolution 28-98 "A Resolution in compliance with Section 709.031 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency." Mr. Avery moved, second by Mr. Bower that the rule requiring resolutions to fully and distinctly read on three different days be dispensed with in accordance with ORC 731.17. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed. Mr. Avery moved, second by Mr. Fintel to pass Resolution 28-98 in accordance with ORC 731.30. Mr. Bower questioned the purpose of the resolution. It was stated that we are guaranteeing to provide the listed services and this was part of the annexation process. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mrs. Slotnick presented Resolution 29-98 "A Resolution in honor of Arbor Day, April 24th, 1998, and declaring an emergency." Mrs. Slotnick moved, second by Mr. Avery that the rule requiring resolutions to fully and distinctly read on three different days be dispensed with in accordance with ORC 731.17. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed. Mrs. Slotnick moved, second by Mr. Avery to pass Resolution 29-98 in accordance with ORC 731.30. No discussion. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mayor Skilliter read a letter from Roger Schultze, Chief of Clay Township Police complimenting Officer Mike Munoz on his presentation of the Organized Gang Seminar to the Clay-Allen Township Neighborhood Watch Program.

Mr. Bower presented a resolution from the American Legion Post 324 in Genoa requesting a donation for decorating the cemetery for Memorial Day. Mr. Bower moved, second by Mr. Avery to send a \$25 donation to the American Legion Post 324. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mrs. Slotnick brought up a complaint from a resident about residents blowing grass into the streets after mowing lawns. Mr. Adams was to check out ordinances regarding this and communicate with the Safety Committee.

Mr. Bower moved, second by Mrs. McLearn to adjourn. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLearn, Mr. Fintel, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Avery and Mrs. Slotnick all Yeas (6). Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Slotnick
Acting Clerk/Treasurer


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