

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

New Richmond Village Council

Meeting

BARRETT BROTHERS

Form 6101

Held

4-11-17

April 11, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers in regular session on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 7 pm. Present: Gary Skeene, Richard Feldkamp, Rodney Henry, Mary Allen, Amanda Davidson and Paul Vanderbosch - members; Ramona Carr, Mayor; Kelly Painter, Clerk; Randy Harvey, Police Chief ; Vince Bee , Fire Chief and Greg Roberts, Village Administrator.

Also attending:

Bill Marsh

Gene Colvin

Minta Colvin

Jackie Nelson

Becky Spires

Nathan Alley

Mayor Carr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Henry, Skeene, Feldkamp, Vanderbosch, Allen, and Davidson

Resignation of Police Chief Randy Harvey:

Mayor Carr announced the retirement of Police Chief Randy Harvey.

Chief Harvey thanked the Mayor for giving the opportunity to serve the Village of New Richmond. He stated that it is very difficult to leave Mayor Carr without a police chief. Chief Harvey went on to thank council for their support. He also stated that he is ready to retire from police work.

Richard Feldkamp motioned to accept the retirement of Police Chief Randy Harvey effective April 28th, 2017, Seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Minutes of March 28th were presented for approval. Richard Feldkamp motioned to approve, Seconded by Rodney Henry.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Visitors:

No visitors requested to speak.

Greg Roberts, Village Administrator:Wastewater Plant OEPA Site Visit:

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Last week a representative from Ohio EPA conducted a follow-up visit to the wastewater plant audit conducted in 2015 after the March flood. Several issues were identified at that time. Significant progress has been made to correct those issues. Ongoing plans to address infiltration issues is a priority. Greg thanked Ken Shearwood for all of his hard work and stated that the village is continuing to look for ways to keep flood waters out of the plant.

Duke Project:

Duke is planning upgrades to the sub-station next to the high school ball fields. There were some concerns expressed regarding traffic control. Greg spoke with Duke regarding the transformer on Short-Hill, Duke stated that they will look into it.

Personnel & Finance, Paul Vanderbosch:**Lynn Baird, Fiscal Officer**

- Lynn presented the March financial reports, revenue and spending are within expectations based on the budgets.
- The third reading of the ordinance to increase the garbage rate by an additional \$4.50 per month will be read at the April 11th council meeting.
- Total 2017 appropriations- budgeted expenses- are \$4,566,000. \$551,000 lower than expected new revenues.
- The village may be receiving a BWC rebate in the next few months.
- The audit will begin in late April.
- Lynn explained Mayor's Court revenue and expenses. Appropriations for the year are budgeted at \$34,075. Mayor's Court essentially breaks even at year end.
- Amounts paid for bills and warrants this year \$952,590.
Jan. 2017 \$375,439 Feb. 2017 \$176,649 March 2017 \$400,502

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to pay the bills 113-2017 to 240-2017 and warrants 35815 to 35836, seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mr. Henry: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Village Administrator, Greg Roberts:

- Grays Lane and US 52 Spur will be repaved this summer.
- The Village has received two bids to replace the Gazebo in Rose Vesper Park and is awaiting a third bid from a local vendor.

Fire/EMS Chief, Vince Bee:

- May need to hire replacement firefighters in the short term. A FT and PT firefighter may be leaving for other area departments.

Police Chief, Randy Harvey:

- Police chief Harvey was absent. Mayor Carr reported that Chief Harvey's last day will be April 28th. Mike Wiley has agreed to fill in as Chief as he did when Chief Harvey was ill last year. The contract with Mr. Wiley will be the same as last year's but will need to be approved by Council.

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to suspend the Three Reading Rule for Resolution 2017-03 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MICHAEL WYLIE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, seconded by Rodney Henry.

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Mr. Henry: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to adopt Resolution 2017-03: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MICHAEL WYLIE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES seconded by Gary Skeene

Payment will be \$800.00 per week.

Mr. Henry: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Richard Feldkamp, Safety/Laws/Rules Committee:

Items discussed at the meeting were as follows.

- Greg is making provisions for the traffic lights to operate during power outages.
- Possible need to hire full-time and part-time paramedics by the next meeting.
- Chief Harvey's last day.
- Minta Herrin mentioned concerns regarding bent/faded Stop signs and the need to elevate them to proper height.

Amanda Davidson, Public Works:

Will give report at the next Council meeting.

Mary Allen, Economic Development:

**Clerks note: the following items were corrected at the April 25th council meeting. The original minutes read that Mary would give her report at the next Council meeting, however Mary Allen stated that she had already given her report at the April 11th meeting and would email her minutes to the clerk. The report included the following.*

- Items discussed at Economic Development meeting are as listed.
- NROBA government and economic member integration into the Village Council Economic Development Committee.
 - Vision/Mission/Strategy documents.
 - Village ambassador program.
 - Bike Trail
 - Washington Hall renovation

Kelly Painter, Clerk of Council: Nothing to report.

Ramona Carr, Mayor:

Mayor Carr appointed Nathan Alley chairperson of the New Richmond Ohio River Bike Trail Task Force.

Nathan Alley spoke briefly on the items listed below

- The village is responsible for 2 miles of bike trail.
- The next step would be to try to piggy back with what Anderson Twp. is already doing.
- Nathan would like to collaborate with the Economic Development committee.
- He will be speaking with Duke regarding possible access across the front of their property.
- Mary Allen will be reaching out to a grant writer.

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- Paul Vanderbosch would like to see publicity regarding the project. Greg Roberts agreed and stated that the project needs citizen input.

Legislation:**First Reading:****First Reading:**

RESOLUTION 2017-03: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MICHAEL WYLIE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

At a rate of \$800.00 per week.

Second Reading:

ORDINANCE 2017-10: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2017 APPROPRIATIONS

Fund	Appropriation	Previous	New	Purpose
5722 Water Well Loan	Debt Payment	23,940	23,969	Correct Payment Amount for Jan and July 2017
5101 Water	Transfer to 5722 WW Loan	23,940	24,026	For payments July 2017 and Jan 2018
2011 Street	Benefits/Medical Insurance	45,474	53,000	Medical Insurance

ORDINANCE 2017-11: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER UP TO AND NO MORE THAN TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND TWENTY SIX DOLLARS (\$24,026) FROM THE WATER FUND #5101 TO THE WATER WELL DEBT FUND #5722, REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Third Reading:

ORDINANCE 2017-09: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UTILITY DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

Garbage and Curbside Recycling Rate: \$18.20 per unit

Richard Feldkamp motioned to adopt ORDINANCE 2017-09: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UTILITY DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE, seconded by Mary Allen.

Mr. Henry: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

CALL OF MEMBERS:

Vanderbosch – Mr. Vanderbosch questioned when the legislation for the sale of the Water Street property would be ready. Greg answered with the following statements.

- The legal description from the county has not been received yet.
- Previous legislation had many contingency's.
- Legislation could be ready by the next council meeting.
- The interested party is open to a license agreement.

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- Legislation could take time and it would need to go through the bidding process.
- There was discussion of license vs. purchase/sale.
- Mary Allen expressed concerns with selling the property.
- Amanda Davidson stated that a license will give council more time to develop a process for the sale of property.
- Discussion continued regarding property taxes, and access to the water front.

Allen – Nothing to report**Davidson** – Nothing to report**Skeene** – The VFW is planning the fourth of July celebration.

Mayor Carr stated that she met with VFW members. The VFW has offered to take over planning/organizing the parade. The VFW has requested a later start time and will follow up with the schools etc. to see about potential attendance.

Feldkamp- Mr. Feldkamp stated that the plans the VFW has presented will take care of any potential traffic congestion problems. Paul Vanderbosch suggested moving the celebration to the third.

Henry- Mr. Henry stated that work is still being done to find a place to set-off the fireworks. A boat may be available to launch the fireworks from.

Comments from audience:**Minta Herrin Colvin- PO Box 36**

Minta Colvin expressed concerns as noted below

- the April Newsletter not being posted on the web-site at this date.
- She also mentioned the lack of a NIXLE notification regarding the closure of Short-Hill today.
- Rumpke contract notification not being included in the newsletter.

Mayor Carr stated that the Rumpke contract has been discussed in public meetings and was included in the newsletter. The mayor will look into the issue with NIXLE notifications. Mr. Feldkamp suggested closing Short-Hill until the land slide is cleaned up. Greg stated that NIXLE is used for urgent communications. Very few people are signed up for the service. Greg also stated that if council wants to close Short-hill it will need to be done by a motion. Wet weather has hindered the clean-up of the land slide.

Mayor Carr suggested going to a quarterly newsletter.

Richard Feldkamp motioned to close Short-Hill until the land slide is cleaned up, seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mary Allen stated that she thinks it is best to close the street due to safety concerns.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: -yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to go to a quarterly newsletter effective the 3rd quarter (July 1st) and the newsletter is to be mailed to all village residents, seconded by Gary Skeene.

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Mr. Skeene: -yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
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Bill Marsh-2423 Country Place

Mr. Marsh expressed several concerns as listed below

- Committee meetings being held on the Monday before council
- He will be turning in his quarterly report and may be his last report and he may not be working on cemeteries any longer.
- He suggested having committee meetings on 2 separate dates to make it easier for people to attend.

Mayor Carr suggested to move a few committee meetings to the Monday before the 2nd council meeting. Amanda stated that they will discuss the potential change in times at the next Public Works meeting. Mayor Carr suggested that all committees discuss times at the next meeting. Mayor Carr also thanked Mr. Marsh for all of his hard work. Mary Allen questioned when the software would be available. Greg explained that the software needs to be connected to a secure system. The original intent was to use with the laptop however the software does not work with the laptop. Mary Allen questioned whether the village should consider purchasing new software. Amanda Davidson stated that she would put the issue on the agenda for the next Public Works committee meeting. Bill stated that he will not continue his work on the cemeteries if the village does not purchase new software.

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM, seconded by Gary Skeene

Mr. Henry: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes
Mr. Skeene: -yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes
Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Samoa Carr
Mayor

Kelly Painter
Clerk of Council