

**Council Meeting
26 August 2013**

Mayor Fischbach called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Charles Boehnlein - Yes

Visitors: Marcianne Kimpton, Jack Garner, Todd Hicks, Chad Eldridge, Rick Smigelski, Josh Echt, Judy Beaumier, Lee Koroshes, Joe Kozial, Debbie Palmisano, Sue Fisher, Rick Gruber

Police Report:

Chief Smigelski reported for the month of July. The Department responded to 114 incidents, made 33 traffic stops, and wrote 7 reports. Officers worked 761.5 hours. Auxiliary Officers worked a total of 104 hours for the month. 2,881 miles were put on the vehicles.

The solar signs for the school zones are scheduled to be installed Tuesday or Wednesday this week. The remaining fixed signs will go up as well.

Chief Smigelski reported that Safety Town went very well with 40 children attending.

Chief Smigelski applied for a grant for the School Resource Officer with the state.

Solicitors Report:

Mr. Hicks had nothing to report.

Zoning Report:

Mr. Gruber provided a report to Council and summarized the results. Seven garage permits, a change in color on a house on Spring Street, two business signs on East Park and a sign on Kirtland. Several complaints were addressed for property maintenance issues like tall grass and junk on the property. There were two nonresponsive addresses for property maintenance issues. Chief Smigelski will assist with contacting the property owners. Mr. Johnston asked Mr. Gruber if he had looked into the sign question at Neet Lights, specifically the height of the sign off the ground and style. Mr. Gruber took note of the questions to follow-up.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

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Ms. Swaney introduced Resolution 2013-18, accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor, and moved to waive further readings. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes. Motion passed.

Ms. Swaney moved to adopt Resolution 2013-18 and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes. Resolution 2013-18 is adopted.

Ms. Swaney introduced Resolution 2013 – 19, approving the fiscal officer to request an amended certificate of resources and permanent appropriations from the county auditor regarding the general fund and the capitalization funds and declaring an emergency, and moved to waive further readings. Mr. Boehnlein seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes.

Ms. Swaney moved to adopt Resolution 2013-19 and Mr. Boehnlein seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes. Resolution 2013-19 is adopted.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Paquette asked for a motion to pay approved bills. Mr. Coleman moved to approve payment and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mr. Paquette asked for comments or a motion to adopt the 22 July 2013 minutes. Mr. Boehnlein moved to adopt the minutes of 22 July 2013 as written and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mr. Paquette asked for comments or a motion to adopt the minutes of 12 August 2013. Mrs. Lillibridge had the following corrections. On the first line of the second page, insert 'be' before 'misleading'. In the third sentence of the last paragraph on page two, change 'pain' to 'paint'. In the BCPA Committee report on page four, the last sentence should begin 'Mrs. Lillibridge did note' instead of 'Mrs. Lillibridge did not'. In the first sentence of the last paragraph on page three, change 'section of right of way on the corner of' to read 'section of right of way before the corner of'. Mrs.

Lillibridge move to adopt the minutes of 12 August as amended. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. By voice vote motion passed.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Fischbach appointed Ms. Roberta Dobay to the Cemetery Board and asked Council to confirm the appointment. Mr. Coleman moved to accept the appointment of Roberta Dobay to the Cemetery Board and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mayor Fischbach read to Council a letter from Mr. Tripodo thanking Council and staff for the opportunity to work as an intern for the Village. The Mayor read to Council a card from Mrs. Pat Hauser thanking the Village Council for their kindness and consideration in the passing of her husband and Council member Charles Hauser.

Old Business:

Mayor Fischbach informed Council that the State review of the Community Development Block Grant awarded to the Village by Geauga County had resulted in less funding than planned. Mayor Fischbach has contacted Anita Stocker at the Geauga County Development Office and State Senator Eklund to get clarification and resolution on the matter.

Mayor Fischbach mentioned that he and Mr. Paquette were developing the Capital Improvement Plan.

New Business:

Mayor Fischbach recommended to Council that Chief Smigelski's salary be increased by \$1 per hour as compensation for being Street Commissioner. Mr. Coleman moved to increase Chief Smigelski's salary by \$1 per hour and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Mrs. Lillibridge asked for discussion of the motion. Mrs. Lillibridge raised the question of the temporary 90 day status of Chief Smigelski and what would happen to the raise if at the end of that time Council went another direction. Council discussed options. Roll Call on the motion to raise compensation: Jeff Coleman – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Abstain, Brian Johnston – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes.

Mr. Coleman moved to make Chief Smigelski the permanent Street Commissioner through 31 Dec 2013. Mr. Boehnlein seconded the motion. Roll Call: Jeff Coleman – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes. Motion passed.

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Mr. Paquette noted that paying Chief Smigelski out of Police fund is possible within the existing budget, however paying a salary for Street Commissioner from the Street Operating Budget might prove difficult and will definitely need an increase in appropriations.

Mayor Fischbach recognized Mr. Eldridge and asked for a report. Final pay request for Cook Street was presented to the Village via Mr. Paquette. A pre-construction meeting will be scheduled for next week concerning Rapids Road. Ms. Palmisano asked about a meeting with residents about what was happening on the Rapids Road project and what trees would be taken down. Mayor Fischbach instructed her to get together with Mr. Eldridge and Mr. Hess to set up a meeting with residents. Ms. Palmisano asked about attendees and Mayor Fischbach stated that she and engineer could handle it.

Mrs. Lillibridge noted to Council that she attended the County Budget Commission meeting with Mr. Paquette and relayed that the budget Commission viewed the Burton Budget and Mr. Paquette's work very favorably.

Mr. Paquette asked Mayor Fischbach about the Comprehensive Plan. No action was taken at this time.

Mr. Paquette reported that the Library Building Expansion committee was having an initial meeting on 16 September and wanted to know if Mr. Johnston and Mrs. Lillibridge were available on that date and at what time. Mr. Johnston will be out of town and Mrs. Lillibridge will provide a time that she can meet.

Mr. Ronyak moved to adjourn and Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Mayor/President Pro-tem

Fiscal Officer