

**VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE**  
**Minutes of Village Council Meeting**  
**March 12, 2012**

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The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session on March 12, 2012 in the Village of Farmersville Council Chambers at 117 E. Walnut St. Mayor Jeffery Morneault called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; Mr. Weller led the group in prayer; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and followed by a roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Walton, Ms. Morgan, Ms. Gisewite, Ms. Attaway, Mr. Weller.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Cottman.

EMPLOYEES: Tom Sears, Amy Schenck.

Others in attendance: Joe Kelly; Law Director, Ryan Brunk; Chief Schade; Chief Wallace.

Ms. Gisewite moved, Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the minutes of February 27, 2012. Roll Call: Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Ms. Walton moved, Ms. Attaway seconded to approve the bills for this period for a total of \$88,069.13 warrant number 30109-30155. Roll Call: Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes. MOTION PASSED.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

Steve Johnson reported that he discussed the alley vacation with two of his neighbors; the Nye's were opposed and Ms. Steel didn't answer. Mr. Johnson explained that he had researched the properties and that he didn't believe that the easements belonged to the property owners. He stated that according to his research no easements appeared on the property deeds. He stated that he only asked Council to vacate half of the alley. He believed that Council could make the decision to vacate the portion of the alley behind his home this evening without a public hearing because he had the approval from the adjoining property owner. There was much discussion including trees planted in the alley blocking access from one side; whether or not it was possible to vacate ½ of the alley; and whether or not that was the will of the Council to do so. There was additional discussion about publishing the issue, having three readings of the legislation and providing an opportunity for interested parties to speak for and against the alley vacation. Mayor Morneault asked Mr. Brunk to research this matter and to provide an opinion to Council. Mr. Johnson stated that he would grant an easement to the Nye's and the Steel's and that he only wanted to clean up the alley and make it useable for everyone; he commented on the junk that he had removed from the area.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:**

Chief Schade reported some metal thefts related to heroin addiction.

**FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS:**

Chief Wallace briefly discussed the proposed tornado sirens and the information that he had shared with Mr. Sears and Mayor Morneault. He offered to go over the ISO process and information with interested Council members. Chief Wallace reminded Council that with the time change they should also encourage residents to change the batteries in their smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. He announced that the annual Easter egg hunt would be on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and that the rain out date was April 8<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Mr. Weller asked about the irregularities in the broadcast patterns of the tornado sirens with regard to the information that the Chief had sent out; Chief Wallace explained that these irregularities are due to the lay of the land. Mr. Weller asked about laws or regulations concerning numbers of or placement sites of tornado sirens; Chief Wallace explained that the sirens are placed in the most populated areas to warn as many people as possible in the event of an emergency. Chief Wallace provided additional information; there was additional discussion.

**LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

Mr. Brunk reported that he had finally received all of the information about all of the state and federal liens, received the funds from the Village and was prepared to close on the Depot property immediately. He explained and discussed the General Fund Levy contingency plan that was necessary due to the timing of the Board of Election filing requirements. The plan includes the legislation before Council tonight and a second resolution in the next few months to submit to the

county auditor for a determination of the total tax valuation for the General Fund Levy and also a resolution for the Street levy will be prepared to be approved by Council. If the General Levy is successful in August the Street Levy legislation will be certified to the Board of Elections for the November ballot. If the General Levy is unsuccessful in August the General Fund Levy legislation will be certified to the Board of Elections for the November ballot. The unneeded legislation would be put back on the agenda for the Council to rescind.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Ms. Schenck reported that the Finance Committee met this evening and reviewed, discussed and approved the end of the year reports and the monthly reports for February, including the municipal income tax report and the February 29, 2012 bank reconciliation. She reported that the committee reviewed and discussed the General Fund levy contingency plan with Mr. Brunk. Ms. Schenck reported that the committee discussed the need to amend the permanent appropriations; she will prepare a list of amendments along with an explanation for each and prepare legislation for the next meeting.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: None.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Sears discussed the following items:

- Mr. Sears clarified that Mr. Brunk was going to research the alley vacation and provide an opinion about how the Council should proceed.
- New P/U Truck- Ordered approx 7 weeks for delivery.
- Village Income survey- Community Development will help with a survey that is recognized by the grant application boards; the only cost to the Village is the postage and the time to get it sent out; expects to move forward on getting the survey out into the community very soon.
- Strategic Plan- Senior Housing; several potential properties have been looked at and several property owners have been contacted but right so far no promising locations.
- Sewer Lining Project Phase IV- Start next couple weeks weather permitting.
- Old Council Room- Drywall finished, C.A.M.P. will do painting

Mr. Sears shared a letter from Ms. Poeppelmeier about the appearance of several properties in Farmersville; there was some discussion and determined the best reaction to this letter was a nice letter back to her informing her of all of the positive things going on in the Village. Mr. Sears announced that Bob Stallman was leaving DP&L to go to DP&L Energy; there was some discussion. There was additional discussion about the antique store.

#### FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Ms. Schenck reported that the 2010-2011 audit is nearly finished and that she expects the report later this week.

#### ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Morneault read Resolution No. R2012- 01, a resolution a resolution to submit to the county auditor for a determination of the total current tax valuation and of a dollar amount that would be generated by each mill or fraction thereof for the following tax levies, and declaring it to be an emergency. Ms. Gisewite moved and Ms. Attaway seconded to approve Resolution No. R2012- 01, a resolution a resolution to submit to the county auditor for a determination of the total current tax valuation and of a dollar amount that would be generated by each mill or fraction thereof for the following tax levies, and declaring it to be an emergency. Roll Call: Ms. Walton: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

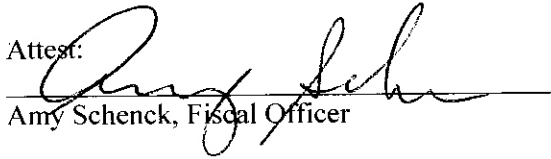
ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

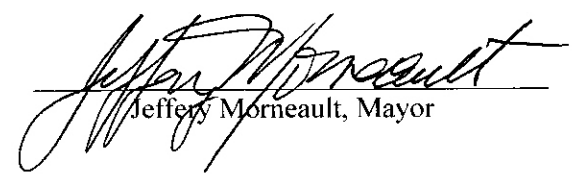
All formal actions of the Council and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ADJOURN:

Moved by Ms. Gisewite and seconded by Ms. Morgan to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:48. Roll Call: Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:

  
Amy Schenck, Fiscal Officer

  
Jeffrey Morneault, Mayor