VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE Minutes of Village Council Meeting October 8, 2012

The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, October 8, 2012 in the Village of Farmersville Council Chambers at 117 E. Walnut St. Mayor Morneault called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and Mr. Miller led the group in prayer; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and followed by a roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Miller, Ms. Gisewite, Ms. Attaway, Mr. Weller.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Cottman, Ms. Morgan.

EMPLOYEES: Tom Sears and Amy Schenck.

Others in attendance: Joe Kelly, D P & L; Law Director, Ryan Brunk; Officer Steffano; Mike Dowden.

Ms. Gisewite moved, Mr. Miller seconded to approve the minutes of September 24, 2012 as presented. Roll Call: Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Mr. Miller: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Weller moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve the bills for this period for a total of \$48,421.90 warrant numbers 30521-30553. Roll Call: Mr. Weller; yes, Mr. Miller: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes. MOTION PASSED.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Mike Dowden, representing the Valley View Levy Committee provided information to Council about the upcoming school levy. He stated that the 6.9 mil levy would generate approximately \$1.5 million a year for the next five years; and cost an additional \$213 per \$100,000 home valuation annually. He discussed some background information about levies that were allowed to expire and that were not placed on the ballot due to healthy reserves at that time. He explained that a bigger deficit had come much sooner than expected which caused cuts to staff and programming. He explained that the school is the largest employer in the area. There was discussion about why the Superintendent, Treasurer, and board members did not identify and address the declining budget situation earlier.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Officer Steffano reported that the 24 year old Germantown man that was suspected of robbing the local Sunoco had been arrested.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS:

Mayor Morneault reported that Chief Wallace would not be available for the meeting but that he wanted to remind Council and the residents that hydrants would be flushed this week from Tuesday to Friday.

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Brunk reported that he had contacted Doug Trout about clarifying Farmersville's coverage in the contract with the Southern Fire District Association.

PLANNING /SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Sears reported that planning and service met and discussed the tobacco warehouse and if the Village purchases the building, the possibility of marketing and selling the beams and other structures in the warehouse. Mr. Sears will do additional research. There was discussion about the vacant lot on N. Main; Mr. Brunk said that the Village owned the property but he felt that the current title probably still had liens attached to it and that in the future quiet title action may be necessary to clear them up but that quiet title action would be premature at this time.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Sears provided the following written report:

- Northeast Waterline Phase IV- CDBG- Grant Approved Amount \$79,390. This is final phase for Dean Dr new water main project.
- Downtown Business Reinvestment Program- CDBG- Grant Approved Amount \$20,000. This money will be split between 2 businesses, for exterior improvements. Elite Iron Services LLC (Rickey Cornett -Old Ford Garage) and Village Inn Blg. (Scott Jacobs).
- Broadway Street Improvements- Work starting Oct 15th weather permitting
- Senior Housing- Update at meeting
- Leaf p/u Starting as needed
- ED/GE Fall Applications- Due November 1st. Possibly going to apply for grant money to help purchase equipment and train employees at Complete Auto Care; working with Business First.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant- New Dell computer being purchased to do all EPA record keeping on line. Old computer very antiquated and not dependable.
- FABA has purchased 6 nice Cleveland Select Pear trees for E Center St; we will plant them this fall.
- Fullmers will donate some nice trees to the Village.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: Ms. Schenck explained that currently the General Fund only has about \$30,000; not enough money to make any large purchases; there is more than \$150,000 in savings accounts and CD's but that the majority of the money is water and sewer money. She explained that the General fund has been subsidizing the Street Fund for several years and that has reduced the General Fund balance significantly. She explained that once the projects are finished and closed out some additional money will return to the General Fund, but currently the reserves were low. There was some discussion about budgeting for next year.

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS: 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:

Ms. Gisewite moved, Ms. Attaway seconded to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:48pm. Roll Call: Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Mr. Miller: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes. MOTION PASSED.

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Attest:

Amy Schenck, Fiscal Officer