

VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE
Minutes of Village Council Meeting
December 14, 2015

The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, December 14, 2015 in the Village of Farmersville Council Chambers at 117 E. Walnut Street. Mr. Weller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the group in prayer; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and was followed by a roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Dowden, Ms. Neitman, Mr. Weller, Ms. Gisewite, Mr. Holderman and Mr. Craig.

EMPLOYEES: Amy Schenck, Tom Sears.

Others in attendance: Steve Mersch, Anissa Evans, Barry Evans, Joe Kelly, Randy Devilbiss, and Ryan Brunk.

Ms. Gisewite moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve the minutes of November 23, 2015 as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve the bills for this period payment no. 32698-32732 totaling \$90,681.58. Roll Call: Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Steve Mersch discussed the Twisted Pretzel Tour, a mass-start event through scenic Germantown and Farmersville and the surrounding countryside. This ride is for all-ages, and a family-friendly event. The ride is held in conjunction with the Germantown Pretzel Festival and is sponsored by the Germantown Lions. The Twisted Pretzel Tour is a Charity Event with all proceeds benefiting local food pantries and civic organizations. The 2016 event will be held September 24th from 10 am to noon. He encouraged everyone to check their website at twistedpretzeltour.com for more information.

Anissa Evans, 52 California Street, reported that she had recently fallen on California Street and suffered a broken ankle. She claimed that the Village had neglected to maintain the street and should pay for her medical bills. Law Director, Ryan Brunk explained that the Village is covered under qualified immunity which shields governmental entities from damages for civil liability while performing governmental functions. Mr. Brunk stated that the Village is not responsible for her medical bills.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: None.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS:

Mr. Weller commented that he had recently attended the Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency meeting with Chief Wallace. The Village will be installing their siren at the fire house and Jackson Township will be installing theirs at the park. They will be delivered in 2016 and payment is due to the County in 2017.

PLANNING AND SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ms. Gisewite reported that the Planning and Service committees met this evening and reported that the OPWC grant for Hemple Road Phase II had been rejected. The Village will focus on Phase IV from Apple Drive to Dr. Hodson's and California Street from Center to Walnut. The estimate is approximately \$60,000 and no grants are available. Mr. Sears is looking for Clean Ohio grant money to install sidewalks

on Elm Street from Hemple to Walnut. There was additional discussion among Council members about mandating that all future projects would include sidewalks; Mr. Brunk advised that this Council cannot force future Council's to install sidewalks.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Sears reported that the leaf pickup had been completed and that the leaf vacuum had been winterized and put away. He stated that the trucks have been prepared and are ready for snow and ice removal and that the salt supply is good with the carryover from last year. He reported that the Village had hung up all of the holiday lights and banners and that Depot Park and Farmersville/Jackson Township Park has been winterized. Eagle Scout Candidate, Dylan Hadley has been working at the park, striping the parking lot and digging holes for mile markers along the walk path. Mr. Sears discussed purchasing new mowers for the village, park and township: the flex wing mower will be used at the park and the Water Treatment Plant; he has received quotes from John Deere. He reported that he has been continuing to work on the 2016 budget.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Ms. Schenck reported that she is working toward implementing the "Open checkbook" program.

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Weller read the approval the Businessfirst! for a Greater Dayton Region Business Retention and Expansion Program Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement 2016-2020.

Mr. Dowden moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve the Businessfirst! for a Greater Dayton Region Business Retention And Expansion Program Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement 2016-2020. Mr. Dowden commented that not enough businesses in town are taking advantage of the benefits that Businessfirst provides including marketing and strategic planning. He recommended taking action to promote these services to area businesses. Roll Call: Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: no, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Weller: yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Dowden reported that the Spartan Shiver; the 5K run/walk to benefit the Valley View track and field program would be held in February 20, 2016.

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 Mr. Holderman and seconded by Ms. Gisewite to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:50 pm. Roll Call: Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:

Amy Schenck

Jeffery Morneault, Mayor