

VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE
Minutes of Village Council Meeting
January 23, 2012

The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session on January 23, 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.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY: Mr. Brunk delivered the Oath of Office to Ms. Attaway.

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

EMPLOYEES: Tom Sears, Amy Schenck.

Others in attendance: Steve Johnson, Joe Kelly.

Mr. Cottman moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve the minutes of January 9, 2012. Roll Call: Mr. Cottman: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ms. Gisewite moved, Mr. Cottman seconded to approve the bills for this period for a total of \$12,294.95 warrant number 30019-30029. Roll Call: Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes, Mr. Cottman: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes. **MOTION PASSED.**

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Steve Johnson address the Council and said he had met with Mr. Sears and received some more information about the vacation of the alley behind his house. He provided some paperwork for the Council's consideration. Mr. Brunk suggested that the application go through the Zoning Administrator and be reviewed by a committee before it was brought to Council for consideration. There was some discussion about the utility easement that remains even if the alley is vacated by the Village and the future access available to the neighbors if the vacation is allowed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: None.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS: None.

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Brunk answered questions about the 38 Main Street property and the status of the Sheriff's auction; and the status of the Depot property.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Ms. Schenck reported that the Finance Committee met this evening at 6:30pm and reviewed, discussed and approved the end of the month reports for December; and reviewed the end of the month/year municipal income tax collection report. She reported that municipal income tax collection for 2011 came in over the estimate by more than \$2,400.00.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Morneault informed the Council that the work session scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, to review the Fire contract will be postponed until February 7th at 6pm.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Sears provided the following written report:

- (WTP) Water Treatment Plant- Natural Gas main is currently being run to the plant
- The Depot and 38 N Main St Properties- Still waiting on asbestos removal quote.
- (WWTP) Wastewater Treatment Plant- EPA Pre Application inspection completed. Mr. Sears explained that the EPA mandates require that the Village install an automatic grabber to collect samples and that more samples will be required which will cost about \$5,000 more annually; he commented that the guys have done an excellent job.

- OPWC Issue II- Northeast Waterline Project Ph IV and Elm Street Improvements Project applications were resubmitted this past week to state small government committee; Mr. Sears commented that the projects may be approved for a low interest loan but that he would only be interested if the project was approved for a grant.
- Salt Supply- good; there was some discussion about the first snowfall of the season and the roads becoming slick very quickly.
- Village Income Survey- Required by the OPWC applications maybe use Miami University to help with this; possibly utilizing the website to get the survey information out to the residents. Updated traffic counts are also required.
- Sewer Lining Project Ph IV- Still waiting on freezing weather because the project is going through a farm field and the ground must be frozen to proceed.

Mr. Sears reported that they hauled 71,500 gallons of sludge last week. He reported that vandals have been spray painting signs and buildings in the Village with pink spray paint and that the Police Department was keeping an eye out and increasing foot patrol to stop it. There was some discussion about letting the Village residents know about the vandalism through the website and the Council personal facebook accounts.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Ms. Schenck reported that the refuse rate increase information had been emailed to all of the Council members; she confirmed that everyone had received the information.

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Morneault read Ordinance O2011-07, an ordinance to raise the refuse rates paid by the Village of Farmersville’s residents for trash removal service; this is a third and final reading. Ms. Gisewite moved, Mr. Cottman seconded to approve Ordinance O2011-07, an ordinance to raise the refuse rates paid by the Village of Farmersville’s residents for trash removal service. Roll Call: Ms. Walton: yes, Mr. Cottman: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway: yes, Mr. Weller: yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Strategic Plan Progress- Mr. Sears reported that he was working on getting some drawings completed to provide an idea of what the Village is interested in developing for senior housing; he explained that the house would be small, low maintenance with no stairs to encourage elderly residents to stay in the Village.

Ms. Walton reported provided some information about the Post Office remaining open as long as they have business; there was some discussion about letting the Village residents and businesses know so that they could help keep the Post Office open and how people would access their post office boxes if it closed; the Mayor suggested putting it on the website.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 Mr. Cottman to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:29. Roll Call: Mr. Cottman: yes, Ms. Morgan: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Ms. Attaway, Mr. Weller: yes, Ms. Walton: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:

Amy Schenck, Fiscal Officer

Jeffery Morneault, Mayor