

VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE
Minutes of Village Council Meeting
February 27, 2017

The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, February 27, 2017 in the Village of Farmersville Council Chambers at 117 E. Walnut Street. Mayor 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: Ms. Neitman, Mr. Dowden, Ms. Gisewite, Mr. Roach, Mr. Holderman.

EMPLOYEES: Tom Sears and Amy Schenck.

Others in attendance: Mike Dornbusch, Reverend Kibler, Ryan Brunk.

Mr. Roach moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve the minutes of February 13, 2017. Roll Call: Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Roach moved, Ms. Neitman seconded to approve the bills for this period payment no. 35-47-2017 and warrant no. 33366-33397 totaling \$37,640.52. Roll Call: Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Mike Dornbusch announced that DP& L and Vectren are offering a \$1,000 scholarship to students in the service area who are pursuing a degree in energy. He will provide additional information. Ms. Gisewite suggested that the scholarship information be posted to the Village website.

Reverend Kibler announced that the Farmersville Area Business Association would be sponsoring a Murder Mystery Play Fundraising Event on March 12, at 5 p.m. at UCC Church. Tickets are \$12 each and are limited. FABA will also be holding a cobbler auction after the performance. All of the proceeds will go to benefit the FABA scholarship program.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: None.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS: None.

Mr. Craig arrived at the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Brunk reported that he done some research on the Park Levy.

Mayor Weller stated that he had talked to Jackson Township Fiscal Officer Winkler and that only a portion of the Fiscal Officer's salary will be paid from the Park Levy funds, no Trustee's salaries will be paid from the Park Fund.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ms. Schenck reported that the Finance Committee had met briefly and that she had provided them with the revenue and expenditure reports for January 2017. She reported that she has been working hard on the year-end report and preparing the notes to the financial statements. She explained that when it is complete it will read more like an Annual Financial Report. She is hoping to present it to the full Council on March 13th. She explained that the General Levy legislation on the agenda is to request figures from the Montgomery County Auditor on the revenue generated for a renewal, a replacement and a half mil increase.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Weller stated that he was disappointed in the fiasco that happened at the February 13, 2017 meeting concerning the letter from Fiscal Officer Winkler. He stated that Jackson Township Trustee Moyer had assured him that no Trustee's salaries would be paid using Park Levy funds, only a portion of the Fiscal Officer's salary. He indicated that the letter was misconstrued and that the Township never intended to pay the Trustees out of the Park Levy funds. Several Council Members disagreed and quoted statements from the letter. Several indicated that they believed that Jackson Township had changed their plans because of the pushback they received from Council. There was additional discussion.

Mr. Roach stated that it is Council's purpose to ask questions and that it is part of the democratic process.

Mr. Dowden stated that no one on Council had concerns about a portion of the Fiscal Officer's salary being paid from the Park Levy funds.

Ms. Gisewite stated that it is the role of Council to do their due diligence and make sure that taxpayer money is spent appropriately.

Mayor Weller provided the appropriation report for the Park Levy that he had received from Jackson Township. There was discussion about the Village approving the Park Board budget according to the Park Board bylaws. This was part of the old bylaws and the new draft bylaws. Ms. Schenck offered to create a resolution based on this information for Council to consider. Council indicated that they preferred emergency legislation.

Mayor Weller stated that he and Trustee Moyer had been invited to a meeting in Germantown to see if the Village and Jackson Township would like to be part of a JEDD, with regard to the proposed construction of new school buildings. Germantown has hired a JEDD attorney. Mayor Weller asked for additional information before committing. There is another meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2017. There was some discussion about the proposed construction of new school facilities. Mr. Dowden stated that the proposed high school would be built on the Manning Road side, in Jackson Township. He stated that the plan is to build the new buildings and then tear down the old buildings.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Sears reported that the water line mapping information was complete and that it had been sent to engineers; they will submit it to the EPA later this week. He is working on a NatureWorks grant application for the park. He reported that the bids had been opened for the Hemple Road Phase II Project. Nine contractors submitted bids and the lowest bidder was Tom's Construction. The bid came in approximately \$70,000 under the engineer's estimate. Mr. Sears is working to switch the phones from Frontier to Verizon and stated that a PIC freeze had slowed things down but that the switch was progressing. (A Primary Interexchange Carrier freeze is an option to block telephone lines from being switched to another carrier without the customer's permission.) He reported that they had performed repairs and rehab on the sewer lift pumps. He reported that the West Center Street Project Phase IV has been sent to the Small Government Grant Program for possible funding.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: No additional report.

ORDINANCES:

Mayor Weller read Ordinance No. O2017-01, an ordinance amending the Zoning Code of the Village of Farmersville, Montgomery County, Ohio for the third and final time. Ms. Schenck pointed out that the language had been rewritten as requested.

Mr. Roach moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve Ordinance No. O2017-01, an ordinance amending the Zoning Code of the Village of Farmersville, Montgomery County, Ohio. Roll Call: Ms. Neitman: yes,

Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Weller read Ordinance No. O2017-02, an ordinance allowing Village Administrator, Thomas E. Sears, to dispose of personal property belonging to the Village in accordance with O.R.C. 721.15 for the third and final time.

Ms. Gisewite moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve Ordinance No. O2017-02, an ordinance allowing Village Administrator, Thomas E. Sears, to dispose of personal property belonging to the Village in accordance with O.R.C. 721.15. Roll Call: Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Weller read Resolution No. R2017-02, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. (This is for a renewal of the current levy.)

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Dowden seconded to approve Resolution No. R2017-02, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. Roll Call: Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Weller read Resolution No. R2017-03, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. (This is for a replacement of the current levy.)

Mr. Dowden moved, Ms. Gisewite seconded to approve Resolution No. R2017-03, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. Roll Call: Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Weller read Resolution No. R2017-04, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. (This is for a .5 mill increase to the current levy.)

Ms. Gisewite moved, Ms. Neitman seconded to approve Resolution No. R2017-04, 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 to provide funds for necessary requirements of the Village of Farmersville, and declaring it to be an emergency. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman: yes, Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Dowden reported that the final revision of the Park Board Bylaws was ready and would be submitted for consideration at the next meeting. Mr. Brunk's research indicated that Park Board members could not be compensated.

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.

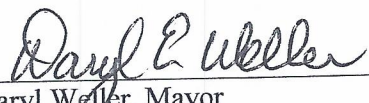
ADJOURN:

Ms. Neitman moved, Mr. Roach seconded to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m. Roll Call: Mr. Roach: yes, Ms. Neitman: yes, Mr. Craig: yes, Mr. Dowden: yes, Ms. Gisewite: yes, Mr. Holderman: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:



Amy Schenck



Daryl Weller, Mayor