

The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 12, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jesse J. Nehez at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited

ROLL CALL: The following were present: Mayor Jesse J. Nehez; Beatrice Greenlee, Linda Bowen, Alan Hipps, Gary Vojtush, Nicholas Magistrelli and Ethan Miladinovic. In addition, Law Director, Brad Bryan, Finance Director Monica James, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky and Chief Mark Wentz were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion for approval of the January 22, 2014 minutes was made by Beatrice Greenlee seconded by Alan Hipps, passed with 5 ayes, Ethan Miladinovic abstained.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES:

GUEST SPEAKER: NONE

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

A. MAYOR JESSE J. NEHEZ stated there seems to be some confusion regarding the statements that had been made regarding the second one million dollars the Village will be receiving. Mayor Nehez read an excerpt from the testimony notes when he spoke to the Ohio State House of Representatives Committee in regards to Substitute HB 377.

B. FINANCE DIRECTOR MONICA A. JAMES had nothing to report.

Mr. Vojtush requested a work session to discuss the 2014 Permanent Appropriations.

Work session to be held on Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m.

C. ENGINEER RICHARD WASOSKY, see attached report.

In addition, a discussion regarding the moving of a transformer from the Railroad yard, down Ledge Road to Northfield Road. Due to the size and weight, will take a lot of planning, plus the Village will receive a \$2 million dollar bond due to possible damage to the roadways. Mr. Wasosky explained that a special business will be hired to film the entire route before and after the move to document any damage.

Mr. Vojtush asked if the 2014 Budget included the repair and repaving of Cranbrook.

Mr. Wasosky stated that would be in the plans, only of the Village receives the 2nd million from the Rocksino.

D. LAW DIRECTOR BRADRIC BRYAN, stated he was working with Mr. Walters and the Police Department regarding cars parked on the roadways when it snows, making it difficult to plow the streets. Most residents will move when you talk to them but there are a few repeat offenders and those that refuse to move the vehicle. But will complain because there vehicle buried in snow.

E. DEPARTMENT HEADS:

1. **Police Department, Chief Mark Wentz**, see attached

2. **Fire Department, Fire Chief Jason Buss, was not present**
3. **Service/Building Supervisor, Jason Walters, was not present.**

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: .

- A. **PLANNING COMMISSION, ALAN HIPPS**, stated they are accepting applications for the 2 open seats and at this time there are no meetings scheduled.
- B. **RECREATION BOARD, MAYOR JESSE NEHEZ**, stated the first meeting is scheduled for March 6, the first Thursday, at 7:30 p.m.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. **FINANCE: LINDA BOWEN**, stated the Committee had met tonight, then asked Mr. Bryan to read Ordinance 2014-10.

Ordinance 2014-10 – 1st Reading - An Emergency Ordinance Approving the payment of invoices for the 1st half of February in the amount of \$144,117.27

A motion for approval was made by Linda Bowen, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, passed with 6 ayes

Mrs. Bowen stated the next Finance meeting will be February 26, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

- B. **ROADS/PUBLIC WORKS: ALAN HIPPS** had nothing to report
- C. **HEALTH AND WELFARE: GARY VOJTUSH**, had nothing to report
- D. **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: ALAN HIPPS**, no report but a meeting is scheduled for next month
- E. **WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS: NICHOLAS MAGISTRELLI**, stated the Committee had met on February 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with the Fire Department
- F. **FIRE AND SAFETY: BEATRICE GREENLEE** had nothing to report

LEGISLATION:

Resolution 2014-07 – 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Adopting The Solid Waste Management Plan For The Summit Akron Solid Waste Management Authority.

A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Beatrice Greenlee, seconded by Gary Vojtush, passed with 6 ayes

A motion for passage was made by Alan Hipps, seconded by Beatrice Greenlee, passed with 6 ayes

Resolution 2014-08 – 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With The Summit Soil And Water Conservation District.

Motions to suspend the three reading rule was made by Beatrice Greenlee, seconded by Linda Bowen, passed with 6 ayes

Resolution 2014-09 – 1st Reading – An Emergency Resolution Setting Forth The Rate Of Pay For Members Of The Fire Department.

Mrs. Greenlee stated Council would like this to go to a 2nd reading.

Mr. Bryan stated would be on the next agenda as a 2nd reading.

OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

A motion to donate \$100.00 to the American Cancer Society was made by Beatrice Greenlee, seconded by Linda Bowen, passed with 6 ayes.

Mrs. Bowen announced Blockwatch would meet on February 19, at 6:00 p.m., the speaker would discuss Fireplace Safety.

Mr. Vojtush asked if the vehicle was still parked at the Service Building with an extension cord running into the Building.

Mrs. James announced that her Son and Daughter-in-law had a healthy baby girl on February 2, mom and baby doing well.

Mrs. Greenlee expressed everyone's sympathy to Mayor Nehez on the loss of his Grandfather.

A motion for adjournment at 8:13 p.m. was made by Beatrice Greenlee, seconded by Linda Bowen, passed with 6 ayes

Respectfully submitted by:


Beatrice Greenlee
President of Council

Attest:


Monica James
Clerk of Council

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Police Department Report by Chief Mark Wentz

POLICE EQUIPMENT:

WatchGuard 4RE HD Wireless In-Car Camera System



The new **WATCHGUARD 4RE High Definition In-Car Camera Systems** have been installed in all of the cruisers. The video quality is by far the best on the market and will minimize our storage costs and upload times. These systems provide true 720p high definition resolution for important video evidence while simultaneously using less overall file storage with the industry's quickest upload times. Besides video clarity, these systems have ultra-wide range camera technology, live video streaming, high

fidelity microphones, "Hands Free" automatic wireless upload to a main server, and an evidence library.

A **WatchGuard engineering technician, Eduardo Babiak**, has spent the past two days at the Police Department, setting up and downloading the software, as well as, training the officers on the operation of the system. To assist in holding down our costs, he has taken the time to come in at the beginning of each shift, including night shift, to train the officers.

SCHEDULED POLICE TRAINING | February and March:

- **Intoxilyzer 5000 Recertification – 02/03 and 02/25:** Sgts. Anthony Urbanowicz, John Zolcus & Ed Carlile; Officers Matt Grams, Fred Jones, Warren Olesinski, Brian Zambach, and Brian Zajac. **FREE**
- **Basic Criminal Investigation & New Detective Training – 02/10 thru 02/14:** Officer Matt Grams. **\$425.00 + Hotel (5 nights x \$79.00 = \$395.00) | Columbus, OH**
- **Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force – Mandatory Quarterly Training – Assorted Dates:** Sgt. Ed Carlile, and Officers Matt Grams and Brian Zajac. **FREE**
- **Metro SWAT Firearms, Vehicle Inventory & Defensive Tactics – 02/19:** Officer Warren Olesinski. **FREE**
- **Heroin Epidemic – Recognition & Investigation – 03/14:** Officer Matt Grams. **FREE**
- **Shotgun Instructor Certification – 03/17 thru 03/20:** Officer Warren Olesinski. **\$375.00**
- **Crisis Intervention Team Training – 03/31 thru 04/04:** Officers Patrick Ahern and Corey Zidlicky. **FREE**

- Chief Mark C. Wentz

**VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD
ENGINEER'S REPORT – RICHARD S. WASOSKY, P.E., P.S.**

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- Subject:* Northfield Road and Houghton Road Sanitary Replacement Sewer
Comment: The Contractor will be back in the Spring to redo the area in front of the Village Hall that was used for the jacking pit.
- Subject:* Summit Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Elm Pump Station Elimination
Comment: The sewer is in operation, but it will not be televised and tested until after February 15, 2014. The street paving will not be done until late April or May of 2014. I got a preliminary price to recycle the entire roadway between the curb gutter line. This would involve removing 3.5 inches of existing asphalt over the entire roadway and recycling in place a 6 inch depth of the existing asphalt or chip and seal base and then resurfacing the entire roadway with a 2 inch intermediate asphalt course and a 1 and 1/2 inch asphalt surface course. The cost of doing this work was quoted to be approximately \$238,000. We should receive a credit of approximately \$140,000 for not repaving the sewer trench as shown in the plans so hopefully the additional cost to the project would only be \$100,000.
- Subject:* Northfield Racino Traffic Signals
Comment: The Village received a complaint concerning the vehicle detection on Vincent Avenue. I will investigate the situation to see if we have to adjust the detector camera. The minimum green time for Vincent Avenue is 13 seconds which is sufficient for 4 cars. The maximum green time for Vincent is 30 seconds. The Rocksino owes the Village \$5079.79 in construction cost and \$792.00 in engineering costs for moving a pedestrian signal and shortening a signal pole arm after the initial work was completed.
- Subject:* Cranbrook Drive Reconstruction Plans
Comment: I am working on the final plans and specifications and bid documents.
- Subject:* Northfield Rocksino Detention Basin
Comment: Has any progress been made on getting the bond and maintenance agreement from the Rocksino for the Detention Basin?