

The Village of Northfield

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 12, 2006

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Bob Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Bowen. Mr. Stewart was absent. Law Director Brad Bryan, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky, Police Chief Mark Wentz, and Fire Chief Gary Vojtush were present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2006 Council meeting was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Nehez. It carried with 5 ayes.

At this time, Mr. Bryan read Resolution 2006-16, an emergency Resolution confirming the Mayor's appointment of Ryan David Kaetzel as a Part-Time Police Officer with the Village's Police Department. A motion to suspend the Three-Reading Rule was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 5 ayes. Mr. Barber made a motion for passage, Mr. Lewis seconded, and the appointment was approved with 5 aye votes. Chief Wentz outlined Ryan's credentials and then administered the oath of office. Officer Kaetzel was congratulated by the Mayor and Council.

Mayor Milani introduced Roy Meadows, a Macedonia resident, ex-Nordonia Hills Board of Education member, and founder and CEO of SOS (Securing Our Students). Mr. Meadows spoke about the SOS program, which is being implemented in many school systems around the State of Ohio. It is a standardized, colorized navigational system for use by Fire and Police departments for medical or Police emergencies, natural disasters, and hostage or terrorist situations. Following his presentation, Mr. Meadows recognized the Mayor, Police Chief Wentz, Fire Chief Gary Vojtush, and the Police and Fire Departments as a whole for their involvement with and support of the SOS program.

There were no Petitions, Memorials or Remonstrances. Mayor Milani reported that the owner of the new Sunoco had assured him that the station will be open within ten days. Work on the former Burger King property will commence in two to three weeks. Luna's Krusty Crab will soon become Zack's Krusty Krab. Work has begun on the nature trail, and bleachers will be installed at Smith and Huntington parks in the near future. The Mayor ended his report with comments regarding the various gambling issues on the upcoming ballot, stating that the "Learn to Earn" program is probably the best one for the Village.

Finance Director Bob Riedel reported that he had distributed copies of March financial statements and bank reconciliations. Mayor Milani added that a Resolution to approve the

hiring of a temporary replacement for Mary Ann in the Clerk of Court office is on tonight's agenda. He also reported that our Mayor's Court is now accepting MasterCard and Visa payments.

Mr. Wasosky presented his Engineer's report, a copy of which is attached. It deals with: final work on the Chestnut and Rosewood Reconstruction Project; the Willie Trowsdell sanitary sewer; preliminary plans for the Birch Avenue Reconstruction Project; and plans to correct the hillside slide at the Houghton Road playground.

Law Director Brad Bryan had nothing to report at this time.

Fire Chief Gary Vojtush had no written report, but commented that fire hydrant testing will begin on May 1st. Gary read a letter thanking him and the Department for help during a medical episode at Mr. Chicken.

A Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19th at 7:30 PM. The Finance Committee is scheduled to meet prior to the Council meeting on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30 PM. Chuck Lewis of Roads and Public Works reported that the road crew's new \$38,500 dump truck will make their job a lot easier. Catch basin work and paving are on the Service agenda, and two part-time summer help will be hired to assist with mowing and other chores. There were no reports from Health and Welfare, Buildings and Grounds, Wages and Working Conditions or Fire and Safety.

Brad read Resolution 2006-14, an emergency Resolution authorizing the Mayor to file, on behalf of the Village, an application to the Summit/Akron Solid Waste Management Authority for a Community Recycling Access Grant. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 5 ayes. Mrs. Bowen made a motion for passage, Mr. Barber seconded, and the motion carried with 5 aye votes.

Next on the agenda was Resolution 2006-15, an emergency Resolution authorizing the Mayor to hire Kathryn Santangelo as a temporary replacement for the Court Clerk. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule, and Mrs. Bowen seconded. The motion carried with 5 ayes. A motion for passage was also made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen, and the appointment was approved with 5 aye votes.

There was no Old Business. In New Business, Mr. Nehez announced that he will be planting ten trees in the parks with the Service Department. Any suggestions or help from Council will be welcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 PM following a motion by Mrs. Bowen and a second by Mrs. Greenlee. The motion carried with 5 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Cheryl Kennon, Administrative Clerk

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President of Council \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of Council