

The Village of Northfield
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 22, 2009

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:33PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by the Robert Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Noack, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Bowen. Law Director Brad Bryan, Fire Chief Gary Vojtush and Service/Building Department Superintendent Jason Walters were also present.

A motion to adjust minutes of the April 8, 2009 Council meeting as indicated by the Finance Director on the minutes was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. A motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2009 Council meeting was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Noack. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

In the business of Petitions, Memorials or Remonstrances Mary Volny who lives at 9253 Cranbrook Dr, Northfield, Ohio 44067 spoke to Council about the noise pollution and exhaust pollution that is being made by motor bikes, dirt bikes and atv's on her street. She and her neighbor's wanted to bring it to the attention of the Council. Mayor Milani asked if anyone had contacted the police department regarding this matter. She said they have contacted the police. Mayor Milani asked if they know who the people are who are doing this, and she said yes. Mr. Nehez said they do know who this is. She said that they did call Macedonia police also regarding the riding on the railroad tracks, which that has slowed down, but not completely stopped. Law Director, Brad Bryan said that we do have permission from the property owner that they are not allowed to be there and they have given authority to prosecute. Mayor Milani said that they can ride these vehicles on their own property until 9pm.

Mrs. Anita Swensen passed out awards of appreciation to various people for outstanding work. She had an Certificate of Excellence for Mr. Edward Spencer for the excellent job he does with the Senior Snow Plowing, and Mayor Milani accepted on his behalf. She presented a Certificate of Excellence to Mayor Milani, Village Council and Staff and Mr. Noack accepted on their behalf . She presented a Certificate of Excellence to Mr. Walters and his department for an outstanding job this past winter. Fire Chief Gary Vojtush and the fire department received a Certificate of Excellence. Mayor Milani accepted the Certificate of Excellence for the Northfield Village Police Department. Mrs. Swensen said that she had contacted dispatch regarding loud music on her street of Huntington Dr. and said that with the police patrolling it has curtailed a lot of that noise. Mrs. Swensen wanted to thank everyone for all that they have done. Mayor Milani also thanked Mrs. Swensen for all of the help that she gives in the Village.

Mayor Milani introduced Pat Lachowski from the Northern Summit County Multi-Service Center. She said that they relocated into the Plaza thanks to Mayor Milani, Summit County Council President, Nick Kostandaras and Plaza Management. They have

been in business since 1972 serving residents in Summit County. One of their services is information and referrals. They also do Dial-a-Ride which is for Seniors free of charge to medical appointments. They also have Out-To-Lunch Bunch at United Methodist Church which there are about 80-90 seniors every Tuesday for which the schools provide the lunches and they also have informational talks, entertainment and music. During the summer they have emergency food vouchers for needy families. They are going to have a grand re-opening and when she gets more information she will contact Mayor Milani. She is going to bring information pamphlets to the Village Hall for use.

Ruth Kotila was here to ask Council for a donation to the Concerts In The Park which has six Sunday concerts throughout the summer at the gazebo's. A motion was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen and passed with 6 aye votes to donate \$100.00 to Concerts In The Park. She stated that she is also on the Multi-Service Agency Board and thanked Mayor Milani for recommending them relocating to the Plaza. Mrs. Kotila wanted to commend the Village for the Senior Snow plowing, always done well and on time.

Mayor Milani reported that he was at a fire district meeting on Monday night along with Mr. Lewis and Chief Vojtush. They came to a conclusion that the millage that would be put on the ballot was not one that was going to pass, it would be 3 more mils, so that has been tabled until economics improve. Mayor Milani said that what is being offered to residents is good, and it can be improved upon in a regionalized basis. Mayor Milani and Chief Vojtush said that they have been in talks with Macedonia about giving them aid and them reciprocating. Chief Wentz and Mayor Milani met with Chief Golden and Mayor Kuchta on Tuesday at Macedonia regarding submitting a bid to Northfield Center to provide Police coverage. Macedonia said that they will not bid against us, but as everyone knows Northfield Center likes their current coverage they receive from the Summit County Sheriff's Department. Arthur Treacher's closed on April 11th, 2009 and he has heard that Best Gyro's might be moving into that building. Mayor Milani has put in calls to different retail outlets as to relocating their business to the Plaza.

Finance Director, Bob Riedel asked to have a motion made to accept the Mayor's Court Disbursement report for March 2009 as submitted. The motion was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Noack. The motion carried with 6 ayes. Mr. Riedel distributed a letter to all of Council and Department Heads regarding the procedures on purchase order requests.

Law Director, Brad Bryan had no report at this time.

Fire Chief Gary Vojtush had no report at this time. He did make note that calls are up by 10% compared to last year.

Service/Building Department Superintendent Jason Walters covered his report at this time. Next Wednesday, April 29th the tile on the steps and landings at the Village Hall will be installed. The Route 8 sewer problem from the back of the Ledge Rd apartments has a line that goes between the nursing home and the Sunset Motel and was blocked at

Route 8 and is now fixed. He said he is going to sent an invoice to the apartments for the Service Department time, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky's time and AKE's time for working on the sewer problem. The sewer truck should be ready by next week. Mr. Walters said that they are building shelves at the Service Department to organize. Mr. Barber asked about the disrepair on the street at Heights and Route 8 with the state coming out. Mr. Walters said that the state bought the manhole but the work is on us to fix it and we will start is probably Monday or Tuesday of next week now that we have the jackhammer. Mayor Milani asked Mr. Walters if we temporarily lost Mr. Predovic. Mr. Walters said yes due to Mr. Predovic being laid off from his full-time job. The seasonal part time Service Department employees will be starting soon. The first week of June they will be starting when they get out of school.

Mrs. Greenlee of the Planning Commission had no report at this time.

Mrs. Greenlee of the Finance Committee had Brad Bryan read Ordinance-2009-22, An emergency Ordinance approving the payment of bills for the month of April, 2009. Mrs. Greenlee made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Noack. It carrier with 6 ayes.

Mr. Noack of the Roads/Public Works Commission had no report at this time.

Mrs. Bowen from Health and Welfare had no report at this time.

Mr. Nehez of the Building and Grounds Committee reported that lettering was put on the main door at the Village Hall. Mayor Milani wanted to thank Mr. Nehez for personally paying \$100 to have the lettering put on the door and said how nice it looked. The key pad was put in at the entrance at the top of the steps at the Village Hall.

Mr. Barber of Wages and Working had no report at this time.

Mr. Lewis of Fire and Safety Committee said he spoke with Chief Wentz regarding the COPS Grant today and by September 30th we should hear something about all three grants. Mr. Lewis said that what we are offering Northfield Center is a good deal to them and us. Mr. Lewis said that Chief Wentz did a nice job on putting together the COPS Grant. Macedonia has everything that everyone wanted from the Fire Chiefs to the politicians, from the apparatus to the new buildings , but the bottom line is the money and Sagamore Hills had to pay the biggest part of the District.

There was no Old business.

In New Business Mr. Lewis said that John Smear had passed away and he wanted to thank Chief Wentz for sending a car to his procession.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Lisa M. Rodriguez

Lisa M. Rodriguez, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council