

The Village of Northfield  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
October 25, 2006

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll was called by Bob Riedel with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, and Mr. Lewis. Mrs. Bowen was absent due to a death in the family, and Mr. Stewart was also absent. Law Director Brad Bryan, Fire Chief Gary Vojtush, and Service/Building Superintendent Jason Walters were present.

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 11th Council meeting was made by Mr. Barber and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 4 aye votes.

At this time, the Mayor recognized longtime Village resident Pearl Stone. Brad read Proclamation 2006-49, a Proclamation honoring and congratulating her on her 75th birthday. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, and Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried with 4 ayes. Pearl was presented with the framed Proclamation and congratulated by the Mayor and Council.

There were no Petitions, Memorials or Remonstrances. Mayor Milani reported that he has been working diligently for the passage of Issue 3. Passage would change the look of the town almost overnight. The Mayor then announced that a new restaurant, the Red Rooster, has opened in town. Jason added that it serves breakfast, lunch, and coffee. Work on the Burger king property continues.

Neither Finance Director Bob Riedel nor Law Director Brad Bryan had anything to report at this time. Fire Chief Gary Vojtush had no report, but thanked the Mayor for the use of the Fire Station for his wedding last weekend, following which Council applauded Gary on his marriage to Amber.

Service/Building Superintendent Jason Walters presented his report (attached). It deals with: completion of Phase I of the Pitluk project with the help of 55 Dominion volunteers; progress on the Houghton Road hillside project; the readiness of snowplowing equipment and salt; details of the impending leaf pickup; the decision to purchase a Case 590 backhoe; the beginning of work on Beach Avenue; and the issuing of a permit to Clark Oil for construction of a new building.

At this time, the Mayor read Ordinance 2006-50, an emergency Ordinance authorizing the purchase of a Case 590 Super M loader/backhoe through the State's Cooperative Purchasing Program. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 4 ayes. Mr. Lewis made a motion for passage, Mr. Barber seconded, and the purchase was approved with 4 aye votes. The new machine should be delivered in 3 or 4 weeks.

Mrs. Greenlee reported on the Planning Commission meeting (report attached). Planning agreed to the separation and reconsolidation of Bill Rocco's 2 lots on Heights Avenue

and recommended Council approval. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for approval, Mr. Barber seconded, and the motion carried with 4 ayes. Nick Gale submitted plans for 3 new homes to be constructed on the corner of Electric and Houghton Road, and Planning Commission approved his construction plans. Mr. Barber made a motion for Council approval, seconded by Mr. Lewis, and the plans were approved with 4 aye votes. The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on November 15th at 7:30 PM, if one is needed.

Mrs. Greenlee informed Council that Mrs. Bowen was absent because her sister, Barbara Altieri, passed away last night. Visitation will be held at Ferfolia's on Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00, with services on Monday at 11:00 AM. The Mayor stated that flowers had already been purchased. According to the paper, in lieu of flowers, contributions to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation are suggested.

Brad read Ordinance 2006-47, an emergency Ordinance approving the payment of bills for the month of October, 2006. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, Mr. Lewis seconded, and the payments were approved with 4 aye votes.

Mr. Lewis of Roads and Public Works congratulated Jason and the Service Department for working hard to get a good price on the new backhoe. There were no reports from Health and Welfare or Wages and Working Conditions. Mr. Nehez of Buildings and Grounds stated that everything went well with the Pitluk project and thanked everyone for their support. Relative to Fire and Safety, Mrs. Greenlee reported, in Mrs. Bowen's absence, that Chief Wentz had presented an equipment "wish list" at the Council work session. The Fire Consolidation study by John Preuer is moving forward and should be completed by the end of the year. Chief Vojtush stressed that it will not be a merger of departments, but rather a merging of services. A Fire and Safety meeting is scheduled for November 14th at 7:30 PM at the Fire Station.

At this time, Brad read Ordinance 2006-48, an emergency Ordinance amending Section 290.09 of the Codified Ordinances pertaining to compensation for Substitute Mayor's Court Magistrates. A motion to suspend the Three Reading Rule was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Nehez. It carried with 4 ayes. Mr. Lewis made a motion for passage, Mr. Barber seconded, and the Ordinance was approved with 4 aye votes.

Last on the agenda was Ordinance 2006-51, an emergency Ordinance amending Section 890.03 of the Tax Code pertaining to winnings from games of chance and wagers on horse races. Mr. Lewis made a motion to suspend the rules, and Mr. Nehez seconded. The motion carried with 4 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Nehez and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 4 aye votes.

In Old Business, Mr. Barber moved to approve the purchase of a half-page ad in the Nordonia High School Yearbook at a cost not to exceed \$175.00. Mrs. Greenlee seconded, and the motion carried with 4 ayes. Also in Old Business, Mr. Nehez asked what had happened to the top of the playground apparatus at Huntington Park. Jason answered it had been used by skateboarders as a ramp, but has been found and re-bolted

to the equipment. In New Business, the November 22nd Council meeting has been rescheduled for November 29th at 7:30 PM because of Thanksgiving. The Finance Committee will meet on the 29th at 6:30, prior to the Council meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 4 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Kennon

Cheryl Kennon, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

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

Clerk of Council