

The Village of Northfield
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 12, 2007

Mayor Milani called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called with the following present: Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Barber, Mr. Nehez, Mr. Noack, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Bowen. Law Director Brad Bryan, Village Engineer Rich Wasosky, Police Chief Mark Wentz, and Fire Chief Gary Vojtush were also present. A motion to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2007 Regular Council meeting was made by Mr. Nehez and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 6 ayes.

At this time, a motion was made by Mrs. Bowen and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee to amend the agenda to include Resolutions 2007-74, 2007-75, 2007-76, 2007-77, 2007-78, 2007-79 and 2007-80. The additions were approved with 6 aye votes. Mr. Bryan read Resolution 2007-74, appointing Timothy Cingel to the position of Lieutenant with the Fire Department. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the appointment was confirmed with 6 aye votes. Next was Resolution 2007-75, appointing Brian Wasson to the position of Lieutenant with the Fire Department. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, Mr. Lewis seconded, and Brian's appointment was also confirmed with 6 aye votes.

Brad read Resolution 2007-76, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Matthew Kaminicki as a Part-Time Fire Fighter with the Village's Fire Department. A motion to suspend the Three-Reading Rule was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the appointment was confirmed with 6 ayes. Next was Resolution 2007-77, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Benjamin Krawulski as a Part-Time Fire Fighter. Mr. Lewis moved to suspend the rules, and Mr. Noack seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It also carried with 6 ayes. Resolution 2007-78, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Marc Tyboroski as a Part-Time Fire Fighter was next. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mrs. Greenlee. It carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Noack and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It also carried with 6 ayes. Next was Resolution 2007-79, confirming the Mayor's appointment of James Wojtkiewicz as a Part-Time Fire Fighter. Mr. Lewis moved to suspend the rules, and Mr. Noack seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Noack. It also carried with 6 ayes. Last was Resolution 2007-80, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Richard James as a Part-Time Fire Fighter. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Bowen moved for passage, Mrs. Greenlee seconded, and the motion carried with 6 ayes. Fire Chief Gary Vojtush

commented on how far the Department has come and administered the oath of office to all seven men, whereupon they were all congratulated by the Mayor and Council.

In Petitions, Memorials and Remonstrances, Linda Downey of 95 Heights Avenue voiced her opinion that Mayor Milani is the best mayor the Village has had in a long time, and that throughout his terms in office, Bea Greenlee has worked very closely with him, acting as his "right hand." Mrs. Downey made known her displeasure with Council's "underhanded" tactics in ousting Mrs. Greenlee as Council President. Daniel Neibauer of 212 Kennedy complained about leaves not having been picked up on Kennedy and Jefferson, stating that the leaves contribute to the Village's sewer problem. The Mayor explained to him that a second pass had been made and that the line has to be drawn somewhere. This is a service provided by the Village, and we do the best we can. He went on to say that the same truck had to be utilized the day after Thanksgiving for snowplowing. Mr. Neibauer then asked why Time Warner's cable rate for the Village is higher than that in neighboring communities and why seniors can't get a discount. Brad and the Mayor answered that we have attempted to negotiate lower rates with Time Warner but to no avail. Mayor Milani reminded everyone that the employee Christmas party is Tuesday, December 18th from 12:30 to 2:00 at Scoreboards, and that the next Council meeting is set for Friday, September 21st at 7:30, to be preceded by the Finance meeting at 6:30. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barber, to accept the November, 2007 Mayor's Court report. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Mr. Wasosky presented his Engineer's report, a copy of which is attached. It includes: an update on plans for the Birch Avenue Reconstruction Project; the Houghton Road outlet sewer replacement; and the revision of Stormwater Phase II Ordinances. Law Director Brad Bryan had nothing to report at this time. Police Chief Mark Wentz's report is attached. Along with other Department news, the Chief reported that Officer John Mullin will be leaving at the end of February to attend the Cleveland Police Academy. Applications are being reviewed for his replacement. Mr. Noack of Roads and Public Works reported that Village equipment is in good shape and a new soft spinner has been ordered. The Department wants to hire a part-time worker to help with snowplowing, but wage and hour considerations will have to be worked out. There was no report from Health and Welfare. Mr. Nehez of Buildings and Grounds reported that Christmas decorations are up and looking good. Mr. Barber had no report for Wages and Working. The Police union has not yet held its negotiations, which would ideally be settled before the end of the year.

At this time, Brad read Resolution 2007-67, an emergency Resolution requesting the Summit County Fiscal Officer, in the year 2008, to advance to the Village monies to which the Village is entitled from the proceeds of tax levies for the collection year 2007. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Noack and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes. Mr. Lewis made a motion for passage, Mr. Noack seconded, and the motion carried with 6 aye votes. Next was Resolution 2007-68, an emergency Resolution authorizing certain amendments to the Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Mrs. Bowen moved to suspend the rules, and Mrs. Greenlee seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It also

carried with 6 ayes. Brad read Resolution 2007-69, an emergency Resolution to make temporary appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village for the period from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Noack. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the appropriations were approved with 6 aye votes.

Next was Ordinance 2007-70, establishing Riparian and Wetland Setbacks and designating Title Four, Chapter 1252 of the Codified Ordinances as the Riparian and Wetland Setback Regulations of the Village. Mr. Lewis moved to suspend the rules, and Mr. Noack seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mrs. Bowen. It carried with 6 aye votes. Next was Ordinance 2007-71, an Ordinance regulating illicit discharge and connection into the storm drainage system of the Village and designating Title Four, Chapter 1255 of the Codified Ordinances as the Illicit Discharge and Stormwater Connections Regulations of the Village. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mrs. Greenlee and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee moved for passage, Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the motion carried with 6 ayes. Brad read 2007-72, establishing Post-Construction Water Quality Runoff requirements and designating Title Four, Chapter 1254 of the Codified Ordinances as the Post-Construction Water Quality Regulations of the Village. Mr. Lewis moved to suspend the rules, and Mr. Noack seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Noack and seconded by Mr. Lewis. It also carried with 6 aye votes. Last was Ordinance 2007-73, an Ordinance establishing Erosion and Sediment Controls for Development and designating Title Four, Chapter 1253 of the Codified Ordinances as the Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations of the Village. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Noack. It carried with 6 ayes. Mr. Lewis moved for passage, Mrs. Greenlee seconded, and it carried with 6 aye votes.

In Old Business, Mr. Nehez asked if the Mayor had heard anything about the Title Bureau. The Mayor answered that he hadn't. Mayor Milani added that Larry Shafron says that within 30 to 60 days, every unit at the Plaza, with the exception of the former Gabriel Brothers space, will be filled. At 8:30, Mrs. Greenlee made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Mrs. Bowen seconded, and the motion carried with 6 ayes. Mrs. Greenlee made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:48, and Mrs. Bowen seconded. The motion carried with 6 ayes. A motion to hire Dave Predovic as a temporary Service Department worker, not to exceed 24 hours per week at a \$12.00 hourly pay rate with no benefits was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Noack. It carried with 6 ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM following a motion by Mrs. Greenlee and second by Mrs. Bowen. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Johansen

Cheryl Johansen, Administrative Clerk

Attest:

President of Council _____

Clerk of Council