

VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS

MINUTES OF MEETING DECEMBER 20, 2007

Present - Mayor Baughman
Kathy Cantrell – Council President
Carol Verity
Rex Pierce
Melinda Ritchie - Clerk/Treasurer
Rick Murphy
Dean Bowsher, Sr.

Legal Counsel – Alison Boggs

Visitors – Janette Jones, Annie Lutz, Dorothy Pelanda

Mayor Baughman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM on December 20, 2007.

Reading of the Minutes:

Ritchie read the minutes from the November meeting. There were corrections to typographical errors upon reading. Carol Verity questioned the name of the owner of the property on Rose St. Alison verified that the information on the County records reflected the name as Balling. November minutes were changed to reflect the proper name. Mayor Baughman asked council the minutes were accepted as corrected. Rex Pierce made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Carol Verity seconded the motion, and all council members agreed.

Warrant Listing:

Ritchie presented the warrant listing. The warrants as presented totaled \$979.96. It was noted additional expenses were deemed to occur for the current maintenance project. Ritchie was instructed to pay expenses as necessary for the completion of the maintenance project and to report the total expenditures for December at the January meeting. Mayor Baughman asked council if there was a motion to accept the warrant listing as noted and pay the bills under the contentions additional expenditures would be pending. Kathy Cantrell made a motion to accept the warrant listing and pay the bills and pending expenditures, Rick Murphy seconded the motion, and all council members agreed.

Presentations to Counsel:

Dorothy Pelanda:

Mrs. Pelanda addressed council to inform them of her intentions to run for the upcoming judicial position currently held by Mr. Richard Parrot within the Union County Courts. Her family presence is noted within the courthouse over a period of many years. Her qualifications are more than necessary to fulfill the position. She herself as well as other family members has been serving Union County in many ways over the past. It is her hope to fulfill a lifelong dream and serve the Union County residents with her utmost ability.

Sheriff's Liaison: Not Present

Legal Counsel:

Rose St.

Alison Boggs was reported that the information sent to Thomas Balling, Jr., owner of 41 Rose St was returned. Carol Verity questioned if it was possible to declare imminent domain. Notification must be made within a circulating publication for the owner. Keep in mind if imminent domain is declared the Village will have to bear all expenses of removal.

Ownership of Town Hall

There has been no further information obtained concerning the transfer of the ownership for the building located at 30 W. Magnetic Street, Magnetic Springs, OH from Leesburg Township to Village of Magnetic Springs.

Reports:

Ritchie informed council that a new auditor had been selected to perform the audit as required. The selected company is Wolf, Roger & Dickey. This firm is located within Delaware and was awarded the bid by the Auditor of State of Ohio. The upcoming audit will be combined with Richwood, meaning occurring simultaneously. The bank reconciliation was presented, reviewed, and signed by council members.

Sexual Offender Ordinance:

As the final and third reading of the sexual offender ordinance occurred at the November 15, 2007 and no further objections have been received as of this date Village Council moved forward in the passage and enactment of An Ordinance Establishing Residential and Employment restrictions for Sexual Predators, Habitual Sex Offenders, Sexually Oriented Offenders, or Child Victim Oriented Offenders; Injunctive Relief for the Village of Magnetic Springs. With no further discussions Mayor Baughman asked each council member what vote says they to the passage of the above reference Ordinance No. 07-03. The roll call for the passage of said Ordinance is as follows. Kathy Cantrell, **yeah**, Dean Bowsher, Sr., **yeah**, Rex Pierce, **yeah**, Rick Murphy, **yeah**, Carol Verity, **yeah**. Effective December 20, 2007 the above referenced ordinance was passed and as stated in Section 8 will go into effect thirty days its passage.

Old Business: -

Building Maintenance:

Maintenance is occurring within the building to maintain a more secure place for public records and equipment within the building. Additional expenses will be incurred as noted with discussion of the warrant listing.

Storm Sewer:

It was questioned if the work was performed at Olive St. as approved in October. Mayor Baughman reported the work was completed November 16, 2007.

Mosquito Sprayer:

The mosquito sprayer has been removed from the truck and mounted upon the storage device constructed.

New Business:

Tree Removal:

Mayor Baughman reported that a large tree on the corner of Olive & Catherine was discussed and noted as necessary to remove. The tree will be removed by Village residents. The tree will be marked with a red X.

Meeting Time:

There was a discussion concerning the monthly meetings for 2008 and the time of occurrence. The final consensus is that meetings will continue to be on the third Thursday of the month and at the time of 7:00 PM.

Mayor Position:

There was a discussion concerning the open position of Mayor within the Village. There was no candidate during the November election to fill the position of Mayor. There has been an interest in the position from Annie Lutz. Given that all Council members are not present it was decided that an executive session with all Council members should occur before further action is taken. Kathy Cantrell questioned Mayor Baughman concerning contact information at the Union County Engineers. Mayor Baughman reported that Courtney Paige was his contact person.

2008 Budget:

The 2008 Budget was presented to council. The budget was reviewed with council members as projected by Ritchie. Cantrell questions court fines and where they are derived from. It was noted court fines are received when tickets are issued against Village Ordinances. Carol Verity currently is still review ordinances for information at this time. The Annual Appropriation Ordinance as pursuant to ORC Section 5705.38 was presented to council for approval. After review of the budget as presented and with no further questions Carol Verity made a motion to accept the proposed budget by passage of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for a period commencing January 1, 2008 and expiring December 31, 2008. Rick Murphy seconded the motion, and all council members agreed

Adjournment:

In agreement that all business had been concluded, Rex Pierce made a motion for adjournment of meeting. Rick Murphy seconded the motion to adjourn. All members agreed to adjourn at 8:48 PM until January 17, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Village/Twp Hall at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.