

# **VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS**

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MARCH 18, 2010**

**Present -** Martha "Kathy" Cantrell – Mayor  
Dean Bowsher, Sr.  
Carol Verity – Council President  
Deb Lutz

Melinda Ritchie – Clerk/Treasurer  
Richard Murphy  
Rex Pierce

**Village Solicitor –** Alison Boggs

**Visitors –** Heather Martin, LUC  
Rick Coots

Mike Hatter  
Ann Hatter

**OPENING:** This meeting of the Council of the Village of Magnetic Springs was called to order by Mayor "Kathy" Cantrell at 7:00 PM at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.

### **VISITORS:**

Mayor "Kathy" Cantrell introduced Heather Martin with the Logan, Union, Champaign Regional Planning Commission. Ms. Martin distributed brochures to council members explaining that the county is doing County plan survey trying to get to outlying areas to gather information. Ms. Martin explained it is important for many to fill out the survey so they can gather as much information as possible. The council can assist by encouraging residents to complete the survey. It can be faxed, mailed, dropped off or is available online as well. Residents will complete the survey and then the LUC will report to council its findings. It is expected that the survey will be completed by May.

Mayor Cantrell questioned the other visitors that were present if any matters were at hand that needed to be introduced. All visitor replies noted they were simply here to witness the meeting.

### **WARRANTS:**

Melinda Ritchie presented the warrants that were due and payable in the amount of \$762.67. Richard Murphy made a motion to accept the warrants and pay the bills, Dean Bowsher, Sr. seconded the motion and all present council members agreed.

### **MINUTES:**

Ritchie read the minutes of the February 18, 2010 meeting. Corrections were made upon reading. Rex Pierce made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Richard Murphy seconded the motion to accept the minutes as corrected, and all present council members agreed.

### **PARK WELL:**

Richard Murphy presented council with all the information as returned by the Ohio EPA.

### **BUILDING PERMITS:**

Mary Sampsel contacted the Village concerning the Building Permits stating that we have the option for residential and/or commercial. Alison Boggs reported she brought ordinances for residential only establishing Magnetic as a Department of Building Regulations with 3 readings, the application for Ohio Board of Building Standards needs filed as well as an agreement for seeking contract. Boggs will start the forms for commercial side.

### **ORDINANCE READINGS:**

The 1<sup>st</sup> official reading of Ordinance 10-02 Establishing the Village of Magnetic Springs Department of Building Regulations was completed by Melinda Ritchie. The 1<sup>st</sup> official reading of Ordinance 10-03 Authorizing a Request to the Ohio Board of Building Standards to Certify the Village of Magnetic Springs for Enforcement of the residential Code of Ohio (RCO) with the Condition that the Union County Building Department Exercise Enforcement Authority, Make Inspections, and Accept and Approve Plans and Specifications on behalf of the Village of Magnetic Springs, Ohio was completed by Melinda Ritchie.

No comments or questions were presented.

**VILLAGE PROPERTIES/ZONING/STREET:**

Mayor Cantrell reported that she had spoken to Mrs. Zimmerman concerning the installation of the fence as requested. Mrs. Zimmerman noted that the store really was not up and running at this point but will install the fence as requested.

Cantrell stated that James Hall has 2 blighted property forms for the grant application, the Pink building and the one by the post office. Although the estate is not settled on the one by the post office, it should be settled within the month. Upon the estate being settled the property will belong to Kim Ridgeway. Cantrell contacted them via email and explained that the roof was going to fall. Kim Ridgeway stated he will work on the building. Murphy commented that Tina Stovall may disrupt that process. There was a question as to whether a form for Lori Pfeifer was received. Cantrell asked Dean Bowsher, Sr. to remind Jim Hall about forms.

Forms for 24 N. Main Street have all been submitted, only hold up is waiting for the Bank to release the title of the property to Lynn Slone thereby allowing the completion of the application for Grant monies to clean the whole lot.

Council members commented on the condition of the Pink building at the North East corner of Main and Magnetic St. in that it appears to be leaning more since it was hit by a Honda prelude and the beams look cracked. The Sheriff was called about the incident; however there is no knowledge of a report. Concerns now of the electric and gas connections at the Pink house include stress and possible fracture or separation to the lines. Cantrell questioned Boggs if we could call the county to have them inspect. Boggs stated that was fine, however if not in contract with Magnetic Springs for services, they may not want to come out. Concerns with the building include that an explosion could wipe out that part of town if the building keeps leaning or pulling on connections. The Gas and Electric companies may shut off the service if they see a potential problem. Although they have checked the site before and have not shut it off, another inspection could prove different results.

Boggs stated the letter for 8 N. Main St. (Pink Building) was not claimed. It was remailed on March 11, 2010. Receipt should occur on or about March 16<sup>th</sup> therefore start 30 day countdown and April 16<sup>th</sup> will be the deadline for response.

Cantrell has made contact with the dumpster company that owns the dumpster that sits on Magnetic St. for the apartment residents and requested that the dumpster be moved. She was told that they would not move the dumpster unless requested to do so by the property owner. Cantrell contacted to property owner concerning the dumpster as it sits in the Village right-of-way and is in violation of Ordinance 93-02. Property owner was unaware of the situation and will request the dumpster be moved. Cantrell noted 2 pickups have occurred since the conversation with Richard and it still has not been moved. Cantrell will contact property owner to see if he has a contact at the company so she can move forward and address the violation. Boggs stated a letter could be sent as long as we have the code or ordinance that they are violating. Cantrell will do research into this matter. As she believes the code or ordinance also states a permit is required to have a dumpster within the Village.

Dean Bowsher, Sr. stated Rex Pierce knows the location of a grid 25 x 25 where Josh Fitch is currently living at Fuller's rental across from Becky Fitch that needs to be replaced. Council members stated concerns about pot holes. Statements that the County patches are not working. Verity asked if Cantrell would be interested in attending the meeting concerning the CDBG grant to gather information on assistance with paving the streets. Deb, Carol, and Kathy will try to attend the CDBG grant meeting. Dean Bowsher, Sr. mentioned that it would be January 2011 before the money from the grant would be received.

Carol Verity mentioned that the parking lines on State Route 37 need to be repainted. Council questions if monies were appropriated in the street fund to fund this painting. Ritchie stated we have street fund budget

for expenditures. Rex Pierce made a motion to repaint the parking lines within the Village. Richard Murphy seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.

Rex Pierce petitioned council for new tires for the snow plow truck. The tires are not aggressive enough. Rex thought the expenditure may cost \$400.00. Dean Bowsher, Sr. made a motion to purchase tires for the snow plow truck. Richard Murphy seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.

**41 ROSE ST:**

Alison Boggs is still waiting on Rick concerning 41 Rose St.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Alison Boggs has not had time to connect with Audrey Stone.

**HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Mayor Cantrell questioned council what day would be good for Spring Cleanup. Sargeant Enterprises as May 9<sup>th</sup> available. Other available dates include June 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, or 26<sup>th</sup>. June 5<sup>th</sup> was selected more than any other dates available. Cantrell will call Sargeant Enterprises to schedule Spring Cleanup for the weekend of June 5<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

In agreement that all business had been concluded, Rex Pierce made a motion at 8:02 PM for adjournment of meeting. Carol Verity seconded the motion and all present council members agreed to adjourn until April 15, 2010, at 7:00 PM at the Village/Twp Hall at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.