

# **VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS**

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MARCH 20, 2014**

**Present -**

Martha "Kathy" Cantrell – Mayor  
Carol Verity- Council President  
Casey Tuck- Fiscal Officer  
Debbie Lutz

Dean Bowsher, Sr.  
Darrel Wheeler  
Richard Murphy  
Rex Pierce

**Village Solicitor** – Alison Boggs

**Sheriff** – not present

**Visitors** – Dorothy Pelanda, Karen Inden, Pastor Judy, Bonnie Brewster, Sylvia Zimmerman

**OPENING:**

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

**VISITORS**— Council members welcomed Dorothy Pelanda, the State Representative of the 86<sup>th</sup> District, appointed in 2011. Pelanda spoke of receiving the Mid-Biennium Review—put in place to attempt to tweak unintended cuts to the budget. The MBR has provisions for local governments and Mrs. Pelanda intends to look at them. She is currently working on the introduction of House Bill 480, Ag Omnibus, and Second Amendment rights. Mrs. Pelanda was eager to hear about current events in Magnetic Springs and was excited for the upcoming production of Ulysses S. Grant in August. She offered to hand out flyers of the event at the Statehouse. Pelanda recalled her last visit to the village was through the Attorney General's program "Moving Ohio Forward". She claims she works for the people and encourages feedback from constituents.

Karen Inden was present at the meeting to discuss the details of the mural she is painting for the village. She has drawn up a rough draft and presented it to members of council—everyone really liked the design and all approved of it. Ms. Inden researched the village of Magnetic Springs' history and also found historic pieces in the village cookbook. From this she developed the idea to paint hotels and bathhouses, the John Edmond Newhouse, etc. The pictures will all be tied together by a creek running the length of the mural. Ms. Inden plans to have the project finished by the date of the August production. Inden will be painting the pieces in her garage and bring them to the township hall upon completion. She stated that there will be several layers of sealant on the mural, so graffiti should not be an issue to remove. Darrel Wheeler will measure and get eight sheets of exterior marine grade, ¾ inch plywood. Mrs. Inden will pick up the wood. She asked for donations of paint.

Pastor Judy attended the meeting with her friend, Bonnie Brewster, a grant writer for Union County. They are currently working on a project to acquire grant money for lights, cameras, and a Public Safety Officer for Magnetic Springs. Casey Tuck forwarded the information to Kim Zacharias for pricing through Ohio Edison for this grant. They questioned council if there were any jobs/tasks needed done for volunteers to perform. Mayor Cantrell needed help picking up tree limbs; Darrel Wheeler asked where could we take them? Both Mayor Cantrell and Rex Pierce said the limbs could be burned. Carol Verity needs help with the debris in her yard, and has equipment to aid in these tasks. Judy and Ms. Brewster are excited about the potential grants and want to get the youth involved in programs, especially during summer. The YMCA will be coming into town once a week in the summer months. Carol Verity mentioned that they may be able to somehow acquire the old schoolyard and make it into a green space or walking path. Rex Pierce suggested they contact North Union schools to donate the land. Pastor Judy has five different agencies through her churches that offer assistance to local families. Mr. Pierce suggested they not give to unappreciative folks. Ms. Verity mentioned to them that trees could be donated for Main Street, such as a Flowering Crab tree (does not grow tall, as to not get into power lines).

**SOLICITOR**— No reports. Mrs. Boggs has not pursued additional information on the Certified Local Government issue as of yet.

**SHERIFF**— No reports.

**MINUTES:**

Rex Pierce made a motion to waive the reading of the February 2014 meeting minutes. Richard Murphy seconded the motion and all present council members agreed.

**TREASURER REPORT/WARRANTS/BUDGET:**

Casey Tuck presented council members with the warrants payable for Ohio Edison, Columbia Gas, Time Warner Cable, etc. The total amount due for all warrants as payable was \$1,030.80. All warrants were disbursed to be signed. The bank reconciliation report was distributed. Richard Murphy made a motion to accept and pay the warrants, Darrel Wheeler seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed. Warrant #6080 was payable to Casey Tuck for accrued expenses from the UAN Conference. The whole amount of the expenses were unable to be paid, as the budgeted amount for traveling expenses was only \$75.00. The remaining balance was for mileage. Carol Verity stated that Casey Tuck should be reimbursed for the entire amount. Rex Pierce made a motion to make a resolution to supplement the budget or reallocate funds in order to pay Mrs. Tuck for the remaining balance for mileage from the UAN Conference. Richard Murphy seconded the motion; all agreed.

#### **GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Melinda Ritchie has submitted her letter of resignation from the Fiscal Officer position. Darrel Wheeler made a motion to accept her resignation, and Richard Murphy seconded it. All council members agreed. Before tonight's meeting, council held a potluck for Ms. Ritchie and presented her with a gift for farewell. Her time with the council of Magnetic Springs is greatly appreciated.

Mayor Cantrell nominated Casey Tuck to fill the position of Fiscal Officer. Richard Murphy made a motion to appoint Mrs. Tuck as Fiscal Officer. Rex Pierce seconded the motion. Roll call: Carol Verity: yes, Debbie Lutz: yes, Dean Bowsher, Sr.: yes, Darrel Wheeler: yes. Mayor Cantrell administered the oath and Casey Tuck was sworn in. It was noted to change information with the insurance company, UAN, Richwood Banking Co., etc. to reflect the new officer.

**Neighborhood Watch-** Casey Tuck will be contacting Kim Zacharias to set up the next meeting.

**Facebook—** The Village of Magnetic Springs' Facebook page has 85 "Likes"!

#### **VILLAGE PROPERTIES/ZONING/STREET/SEWER:**

**Water Well—** A water sample is not due until April 5<sup>th</sup>, but a sample has been turned in.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Cleanup Day—** Council members established a day to come to the township hall and clean the supply room before "Cleanup Day". This will be on May 28<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Cantrell contacted Sargent to replace the dumpster in preparation for the event.

**Flooding—** Carol Verity called Huntington, WV at the Army Corps Engineers again and they are interested in the area flooding, and will try to stop by. Their crews are working in LaRue right now. The ACE asked if there was any upstream action. Ms. Verity took pictures for documentation.

**Civil War Presentation—** Mayor Cantrell contacted the Reinhart Insurance Company regarding coverage for the Civil War event. Carol Verity's daughter, Ann, should not have to pay for insurance coverage on the land she is donating for use. Mrs. Zimmerman claims she has good helpers for the event, like Steve Frazier, and Crista Miller, who created the flyers and a spreadsheet for the event. Mrs. Zimmerman has applied for a grant for the production. She asked if Casey Tuck would handle the money for the event. Terry Sproull from Union County United Way wants to come in May to clean up the village and paint. Casey Tuck has an application for Community Care Day and will submit it later this month. Carol Verity recommended a signup sheet for volunteers to help. Mrs. Zimmerman asked council members for help. She needs: transport from schoolyard to grove, people to watch the neighborhood during the event, people to maintain trash boxes, housekeeping for portable bathrooms. She has contacted the Union County Sheriff's office, and a security person is \$31.00 per hour. There will be Red Cross hospitality tents. She questioned if anyone could get a hold of the Hatters—for a cauldron and tripod. A smoking policy has not been established yet; Delaware Cigar Co. would like to set up a booth. Mrs. Zimmerman questioned who owned the house at the end of E. Magnetic Street? Does anyone have tech skills? She gave Alison Boggs postcard flyers to hand out to Fairbanks Schools. Mrs. Zimmerman requested that at the opening ceremony the mayor make a statement. The next meeting for this event will take place on Monday, the 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. at the village hall.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Kathy Cantrell questioned if there was any more business to be discussed. Council members agreed that all business had been concluded. The next regular meeting will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Debbie Lutz made a motion at 8:10 p.m. to adjourn, Rex Pierce seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.