# VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2010

**Present -** Martha "Kathy" Cantrell – Mayor

Dean Bowsher, Sr.

Rex Pierce

Carol Verity - Council President

Melinda Ritchie – Clerk/Treasurer

Richard Murphy

Deb Lutz

Village Solicitor -

**Alison Boggs** 

Sheriff Liaison -

Corporal Warden

Visitors –

Elmer Fuller

Janette Jones

## **OPENING:**

This meeting of the Council of the Village of Magnetic Springs was called to order by Mayor "Kathy" Cantrell at 7:03 PM at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.

Mayor Cantrell opened the floor for a report from Corporal Warden. Corporal Warden expressed that busy times had made it difficult to attend the meetings. Since things are slower attendance should improve. Cantrell mentioned appreciation for the time spent within the Village and the reduction of drug paraphernalia and the cleanliness of the Gazebo is felt to be a direct result.

## **MINUTES:**

Rex Pierce made a motion to wave the reading of the October meetings minutes. Dean Bowsher, Sr. seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.

# TREASURER REPORT/WARRANTS/BUDGET:

Melinda Ritchie advised council that since the audit adjustments were made the Village actually had encumbrances leaving the Village General Fund in a negative status. Prior to issuing warrants the budget needs to be reviewed and adjustments made to ensure the Village does not overdraw the General Fund. Ritchie will review the appropriations for reductions of unused encumbrances and increases in appropriations necessary to complete 2010 payables. Ritchie requested that council meet in a special meeting December 9, 2010 to discuss budget adjustments and approve warrants necessary.

The bank reconciliation was presented for signatures. Fund Status reports were distributed.

# **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Dean Bowsher, Sr. present a check for \$116.00 which included 7 weeks of Flea Market Vendor fees as well at \$16.00 in cookbook sales.

Janette Jones questions if the Village Council was planning any type of Christmas activity. Jones has hired a Santa Clause and will have gifts available. The Presence of God will be here December 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 to 6:00 PM at the Gazebo weather permitting or within the Village hall and distribute gifts to anybody within the Village that participates.

## VILLAGE PROPERTIES/ZONING/STREET:

Mr. Elmer Fuller received a letter from Alison Boggs. He has seen her concerning the letter. Fuller reported that he had turned in paperwork for the demolition of some properties that was not completed. The property references in the letter from Boggs were incorrect. The Millard St. residence has finished siding although the letter from Alison Boggs stated siding was not finished. Richard Murphy stated concerns that despite any property reference stated improvements to certain properties within the Village have not been completed; however improvements have been occurring on properties in Richwood. Fuller stated that he owned the property in Richwood for at least 2 years; this is not a new project but rather one that was already planned. Boggs stated regardless of property purchase time, it is still fact that he is not focusing efforts on Magnetic Springs property, when he promised to do so. Murphy stated the problem was that the work was being focused on other properties outside of Magnetic Springs when Fuller had promised council the Blue House

on Main St. that is not finished on the back side would be finished and the trusses for Millard house roof repair had been ordered. Mr. Fuller paused and stated the roof was not completed as trusses were not delivered even though they had been paid for as his vendor was in financial troubles. Murphy stated a promise to council should not be made unless it was meant to be kept. Fuller stated he had completed 21 roof projects this season including May St. and others and spent \$21,000 and had problems receiving the trusses most of the time. Rex Pierce requested a time frame when the buildings would be completed. Fuller stated the Building Dept had not enacted building codes when the work was started and he would need to see about all the permits and the process before he could be sure of a time frame. Richard Murphy stated a realistic timeframe is requested. Fuller will have a time frame estimate by December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Fuller reported at least he got rid of drug problem on Main St. Since on discussion of renters, Rex Pierce questioned who owned the camaro that was parked in the alley off Catherine St. as it needed to be moved. Fuller will contact owners and instruct them to move it. Cantrell stated renters have a tendency to set couches, and miscellaneous items in their yards therefore it is suggested to mention to renters to keep the yards clean. Cantrell advised that prolonged revving of a motorcycle engine from a Rose St. residence needs to be stopped. Ritchie advised Fuller that animals were being allowed to defecate within her property line which was unacceptable as well. Fuller will speak with his renters.

There was a proposal received from Fisher's Tree Services for the removal of the tree in the village right of way at Rose and Park that has dumped several limbs within traffic during recent wind incidents to prevent further road blockage including stump and debris removal for drainage purposes in the amount of \$950.00. The proposal also includes the removal of the tree in the right of way at 123 May St. due to obstruction of traffic in the amount of \$150.00. The total proposal amount to \$1075.00 and needs a motion for approval. Carol Verity mad a motion to accept the proposal and have the trees removed for a cost of \$1075.00. Rex Pierce seconded the motion and all present council members agreed. Fuller stated that the big tree next to the power lines was already marked by the electric company but had only been trimmed and the May St. tree will have to be removed.

Residents were once again contacted concerning the basketball hoops being within the village right of way. It was noted that Kelly Beckley had moved theirs; however the Calls keep moving it forward. Verity mentioned that the street when completed will be 18 feet wide and they will definitely need to be moved. Dean Bowsher, Sr. commented that Catherine Street residents constantly leave trash cans in the village right of way although there is an ordinance against it. Ordinance numbers should be referenced when contacting village residents. Research will need to be completed to send out the notices. Cantrell stated rumors are that council always picks on Fuller and not enough on other residents. Council does address issues with other residents including cleaning and clearing properties and repairs. It may appear that more issues involve Fuller; however the difference only lies in the number of properties owned by Fuller versus others. Not often does council get help from other residents to assist in cleaning properties. Cantrell stated that Bill McClary is still willing to help enforce the ordinances for us.

Richard Murphy questioned on residential property, how many apartments one can have before it has to be zoned different than residential single family. Fully stated that 3 is maximum on residential, 4 requires state approval and separate electric meters.

Residents that live in the brick apartments at Main and Park do not use their existing parking area, instead are parking all along main street limiting visitors to the village as well as access to fire hydrants. Pierce stated that crossbars should be painted on the parking space closest to the fire hydrants to prevent parking in those spaces.

## **FIRE HYDRANTS:**

Carol Verity questioned if the fire hydrants should be pumped and maintenance performed? Cantrell will send an email to request that they be checked if necessary.

## HOUSE NEXT TO VILLAGE POST OFFICE:

Mr. Scheeler stated the property was transferred to Tanya and brother and sister, but the agreement stated to quick claim the deed of property to Jeani Martin. The estate is getting ready to close, but do not have to wait for the estate to close, instead move forward on Ty Davis, Tara Powers, and Tanya Davis now, but if they

transfer it prior then we will have to serve the new owner again and wait an additional 30 days. Council stated that there would not be much to tearing the property down once agreed upon thereby only requiring a dumpster because the house was so small and no septic is on the property. There was a discussion concerning an old fuel oil tank out back as a result it was noted as being removed quite some time back.

#### 41 ROSE ST:

Boggs has emailed Rick 2 times to discuss however Rick has still not completed the task. Boggs will try one more time to get Rick to move forward or provide her with the information to assist in forward movement.

## 8 N. MAIN ST:

Boggs reported there was a notice issued November 9, 2010 by Mary Samsel. The party has 30 days to contact the Health Dept. It is not known at this time if contact has been made with Mr. Cromlish. He does have until December 11, 2010 to responds. After that time forward movement will occur to rectify the situation at hand.

#### **PARK WELL:**

Janette Jones presented council with water well test information

# **2011 BUDGET INFORMATION:**

Pierce noted that council needs a decent chain saw for removing small trees, debris, etc. and up to \$300 should be included within the budget for such a purpose.

## WATERSHED PLANNING:

Carol Verity reported that Mr. Kitchen from the Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) contacted her and needs a copy of the resolution passed in September. Ritchie had mailed the resolution but will mail another one.

## **SEWER COMMITTEE:**

No Report.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

In agreement that all business had been concluded, Rex Pierce made a motion at 7:55 PM for adjournment of meeting. Richard Murphy seconded the motion and all present council members agreed to adjourn until December 9, 2010, at 7:00 PM at the Village/Twp Hall at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.