## Village of Clinton Regular Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 3, 2016

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chuck Clark and was recited by all those present.

<u>Council Members present</u>: Janice Godwin, Joe Baiera, Bud McDaniel, Marissa Gensimore, and Debbie Ikins. Sharley Greer was absent.

Joe Baiera made a motion that Bud McDaniel take the minutes and handles the order of the meeting as our fiscal officer is not present, second by Debbie Ikins. Roll Call: Mrs. Ikins, Mrs. Godwin, Mr. Baiera, and Mrs. Gensimore voted "Yes." 5-Yes, 0-No. Motion passed.

Others Present: Marshal Pitchford, Village Solicitor; Terry Siegenthaler, Street Supt.; and Chuck Clark.

#### **Approval of Council Minutes**

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to approve the minutes, with corrections, of the April 19, 2016 council meeting, second by Joe Baiera.

Roll call: Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Baiera, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Ikins and Mrs. Godwin, voted "Yes." 5 - Yes, 0 - No. Motion passed.

Citizens Comments – No comments.

#### Solicitor's Report

Mr. Pitchford reported to Council a decision that came out today by the Ohio Supreme Court and will report in more detail at a later meeting. He indicated that it affects Ohio Public Meeting and Public Record Law. Until he reviews the lengthy decision and can report back to Council he asked council members to refrain from emailing one another because the Supreme Court in an 5 / 2 decision held that communications / discussions, not a "here's something informational," by a school board north of Columbus had a discussion sparked in an email by a council president to all of the members of the school board in response to an editorial that had been published in the Columbus Dispatch. There was discussion back and forth as to what they should do, how they should respond, etc. Mr. Pitchford said we can still disseminate information to each other, but it cannot be a discussion. There were other questions asked of the solicitor, and he answered and also asked they lean on the "admin" email address as he will be reviewing this Supreme Court ruling and report to council on this issue. If you receive an email addressed to everyone, do not respond.

**Police Report** - no report.

Fire Chief's Report - no report.

### Street Commissioner Report

Terry Siegenthaler said the zoning inspector called him this evening and he was dealing with someone wanting to put a fence up in an alley. He could not find anything regarding setbacks in the zoning book. We don't have anything regarding alleys.

# **Zoning Report** – No report.

### Mayors Report of Village Affairs

Mayor Knack went to a CUE meeting in Stow with Mr. Siegenthaler and Mrs. Ikins. The three of them are staying on top of what is going on with the salt purchase and prices.

He attended a VFW dinner and received a flag from them.

Mayor Knack also attended a Mayor's Association meeting and a speaker spoke on solar power in communities.

He met with New Franklin regarding the police contract.

The Rubber Ducks baseball tickets are here.

RITA will be handling our delinquent program – pursues delinquent tax payers. Mr. Pitchford recommended that they do the subpoenas as well. We need to submit option #1 to RITA. We only pay \$8.

Mrs. Godwin made a motion that we authorize the mayor to accept RITA's subpoena program authorization pursuant to the letter dated April 19, 2016, choosing option number one, second by Mr. Baiera.

Roll calling of names being always the same was brought up to the solicitor and he felt it was the discretion of the Village as to how that is done. He was not aware of it being an issue and he will check on that.

Roll Call: Mrs. Godwin, Mrs. Ikins, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Baiera voted Yes. 5, Yes votes. 0, no votes. Motion passed.

## Fiscal Officer's Report - No report.

## **Unfinished Business**

Mrs. Ikins reported on the salt contract. We are in a collective bargaining group — CUE. She explained the ordering process to Council. When you contract for salt you do it annually. You contract for a number of tons and the most recent terms are that you guarantee to take either 80% of that number or they will deliver 120% of that number at the same price. We have been told that the salt distributer will be charging a storage fee for salt that we have not taken. We are contractually obligated to buy 80% of that salt. It's \$10 per ton to store our salt. If we don't use CUE next year, they will charge us \$10 per month to store this salt.

Mr. McDaniel reported the receipt of \$100 from the ReTrac program.

Mrs. Gensimore reported that she was receiving articles for the Community Newsletter. Friday is the deadline and she reiterated if anyone has anything for this newsletter to please let her know before the deadline.

She reported on the progress of the preparations for the Bicentennial. There is another meeting on Saturday morning.

Mayor Knack reported that 15 to 18 high school seniors from Northwest Schools will be here to help with mulching, weeding, etc. on May 26 at 7:45 AM.

### **Council Communication and Committee Reports**

Mr. McDaniel talked with the Mayor of the City of Green. On May 14 and 15 of this year there is a First Merit Towpath Century Ride that raises money for the towpath. Anyone who wants to support can check this out online.

Mrs. Godwin reported on the Safety Committee meeting regarding the police contract.

Mrs. Ikins said she and the street superintendent have met with small contractors regarding some catch basins needing repairs in the Village. She outlined which ones need attention. There are safety issues and hopefully five can be repaired this summer. Mrs. Ikins said that on May 20, Jim Sickels, OHM Engineers, will be here at 9:00 AM to discuss any engineering issues we may have.

#### **Ordinances** and Resolutions

First Readings - None.

## Second Readings

**Resolution No. R-16-09:** A Resolution Declaring It Necessary To Renew The Tax Levy At The Tax Rate Of 3.75 Mill And Requesting The Summit County Fiscal Officer To Certify The Total Current Tax Valuation Of The Village And The Dollar Amount Of Revenue That Would Be Generated By This Renewal Levy, and Declaring An Emergency. This is the Fire Levy.

This legislation goes to the County. Then we have to pass another piece of legislation that goes to the Board of Elections and it has to get in 90 days before the General Election.

**Resolution No. R-16-11:** A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of A 2016 Ford E Lifeline Ambulance For A Sum Not To Exceed \$155,731.00 Pursuant To The Ohio Department Of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program, For The Village Of Clinton Fire Department, and Declaring An Emergency.

#### Third Readings - None.

#### New Business

Mrs. Gensimore indicated we had moved our Citizens Comments on the agenda to the beginning of the meeting but didn't change our codified ordinance to reflect that.

She also brought up the issue of the secretary currently doing the minutes and said under the ORC,

the fiscal officer is to do the minutes. There was much discussion regarding the Council meeting minutes pertaining to their content and roll call procedure.

Mrs. Gensimore said we need clarification on several things that have arisen. She felt we should have an assistant fiscal officer for the sole purpose of covering checks if the fiscal officer is not available. The Secretary position was discussed as to possibly being changed to Administrative Assistant/Assistant Fiscal Officer to solve the issue regarding meeting minutes.

Mrs. Ikins reported on the Memorial Day pancake breakfast. There is a raffle and she suggested we donate some of our Rubber Ducks tickets for the raffle. She suggested two sets of 4 tickets. If there is money in the budget we could purchase some stuff from their store for this raffle item. This will be looked into.

Mrs. Ikins made a motion that we donate eight of the Rubber Ducks tickets to the Historical Society for the Memorial Day raffle at the fire house and add additional monies up to \$100 total value to make to gift packages, second by Mrs. Gensimore.

Roll Call: Mrs. Gensimore, Mrs. Ikins, Mr. Baiera, Mrs. Godwin, and Mr. McDaniel all voted "Yes." Five yes votes. Motion passed.

## **General Discussion**

Mrs. Ikins said she is looking for a replacement for the organizer for the Memorial Day parade. She asked Council to help with this. She felt two people would be needed – one for a backup.

## **Presentation of Bills**

Bud McDaniel made a motion to pay all bills and salaries on the Payment Listing Report dated from April 19, 2016 to May 3, 2016; and all Purchase Orders Then and Now Purchase Orders and Blanket Certificates on the Purchase order Status, current YTD through May 3, 2016, second by Joe Baiera.

Roll call: Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Baiera, Mr. McDaniel, Mrs. Godwin, and Mrs. Ikins, voted "Yes." 5 - Yes, 0 - No. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Allen Knack

Bud McDaniel, President of Council

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Sonja Herwick, Fiscal Officer