# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

# Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

Mayor Stacy began the January 14, 2015 Council Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. All members of Council were present with the exception of Ms. Nichols. Clerk/Treasurer Bolton was present; Solicitor Hyle was absent.

A Motion to Excuse Ms. Nichols made by Meister; seconded by S. Myers. ALL YEAS.

A Motion to Approve the Previous Council Meeting Minutes was made by Pastrick; seconded by T. Myers. ALL YEAS. A Motion to Pay all Warrants & Vouchers and Adopt PORD # 1-2015 was made by Meister; seconded by S. Myers. ALL YEAS.

At this time Mayor Stacy appointed Harold Duncan to the position of Street Commissioner and swore him in.

The Mayor asked that Council approve his recommendation of Jan Pastrick as Vice-Mayor. A Motion to Appoint Ms. Pastrick as President Pro-Tempore of Council made by S. Myers; seconded by Ms. Meister. ALL YEAS.

Mayor Stacy also indicated his intent to keep all Committees in tact as they were in 2014 with chair persons remaining the same on all Committees.

He then acknowledged Melissa Casebolt who wished to receive the support of Council so she could move forward to secure grants and donations to begin a Community Garden in the Village of Cleves. She would like the Village to allow her to start the garden on Village owned property and at this time is interested in a couple possible locations with two possibilities on property owned by Tisch and one owned by the Village on Main Street behind the current Water Works Office Building. She said her hope would be to produce vegetables that would help to support the Bloc House soup kitchen and assist in the feeding of over 200 families currently being serviced by the Bloc House. She further explained she is developing a three year plan for the garden and she will abide by any local laws for these kinds of gardens. She also hopes to get the whole community involved. A brief discussion was held about this project. Mayor and Council expressed their support of her efforts.

The Mayor asked Chief Kraft to address Council about his candidates for hire. Chief Kraft began by asking Council to support the hiring of two new part time police officers. He introduced the first candidate, Derrick Reinshagen. He detailed the candidate's qualifications and the background checks he performed and recommendations the candidate received. A Motion to Hire Derrick Reinshagen as a part time Police Officer with a One-Year Probation at \$14.00 was made by S. Myers; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS. Officer Reinshagen was sworn in by Mayor Stacy. Adam Ebbing was the next candidate and Chief Kraft outlined his background and qualifications as well. A Motion to Hire Adam Ebbing as a Part Time Police Officer With a One-Year Probation at \$14.00 was made by Pastrick; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS. Officer Ebbing was sworn in by Mayor Stacy.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor indicated the Clerk had prepared a Resolution asking the County Auditor for an Advance of their real estate taxes. A brief discussion was held explaining the process for this request.

## **RESOLUTION # 2 -2015** REQUEST FOR ADVANCE RECEIPT OF REAL ESTATE TAXES

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #2-2015, A Request for Advance Receipt of Real Estate Taxes was made by Meister; seconded by S. Myers. ALL YEAS.

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#### CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

The Clerk asked Council to review the financial report she had provided for them which was an overview of 2014 and asked them to call her if they had any questions. Ms. Pastrick asked about our 2014 road salt payments and a discussion was held about that.

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

#### WATER WORKS

Superintendent Winhusen had nothing special to report unless anyone had questions of him. There were none at this time.

#### STREETS

Street Commissioner Duncan updated Council on our current road salt supply. He indicated Norm is doing a good job on the new equipment maintenance program. He also indicated it is time for Council to begin thinking about replacing our dump truck when we are able to afford it. It is getting older and beginning to cost us on maintenance and repairs.

#### POLICE

Chief Kraft began by outlining and reviewing the Monthly Stat Reports for December and some year-to-date stats as well. He also brought Council up-to-date on the incident at 74 E. State that resulted in multiple charges and almost caused us to call out the County Swat team. He mentioned the Police Department's overall Closure Rate for 2014 was 72% which is a very good rate by any standard. Other issues reported by the Police Chief included an update on recent mailbox thefts in the Village and further up Bridgetown Road in the township; an incident in the Village of Addyston that involved a tasing by one of our officers on the scene by request and mutual aid; and SRO Officer Bingle's interest in possibly starting an Explorer Program and his instigation of ride-alongs for some of the high school students over the holiday break. The Mayor wanted to clarify that the media got it wrong when they reported the SWAT team responded to the scene at the incident on E. State Road when, in fact, the whole incident was taken care of locally and the SWAT team was cancelled shortly after the initial request. Ms. Pastrick passed on to Council that Mr. Bailey of the Three River's Educational Campus has very good things to say about our new Chief, his Department and the SRO Officer assigned at the school.

At this time, Mayor Stacy introduced the new Superintendent at Three River's Craig Hockenberry. Mr. Hockenberry addressed Council briefly about his excitement with his new position in our community.

#### <u>FIRE</u>

There was no Fire Department report given because Chief Ober had an emergency call and left the meeting to respond to the scene.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

<u>Communication Committee</u> Chair Steve Myers indicated his Committee discussed general communications and how to best collect emails from residents for email communications. The Clerk mentioned she is hoping to collect some emails from recycling residents as they pay for their 2015 recycling service. A discussion was then held about how best to communicate to residents about new Ordinances that are passed most recently the requirement to register your security alarm systems. Ms. Pastrick said she would check into various mailing options.

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<u>Street Committee</u> Chair Megan Randall indicated Mr. Duncan was going to be compiling a list of various expenditures for his department. The Mayor has received a bridge report on the small bridge at Mt. Nebo. We have a tree issue on Howell that Harold is trying to resolve and our road salt numbers are 186 ton received and we have currently used 45 tons. The next Street Meeting is scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**<u>Planning Committee Chair</u>** Tiffiney Myers had nothing special to report and reminded everyone the next Planning Meeting is scheduled for February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

<u>Safety Committee Chair</u> Geri Meister had nothing special to report concerning the Water Works. The next Board of Public Affairs meeting is scheduled for January 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. As for the Safety Committee, Chief Kraft covered most everything discussed at the meeting. The Committee is checking into the need for a new updated curfew. She mentioned Chief Ober had reported at the meeting there are five (5) fire hydrants out of service and eight (8) with problems. Repairs will take place in early spring. Next Safety Meeting scheduled for February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Myers asked if Geri had any more Water Works meeting minutes for the website and she indicated she would get those for him.

*Finance Committee Chair* Jan Pastrick reminded everyone the Finance Meeting was scheduled for next Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stacy reported that the Solicitor is checking into issues with the property by the school. He announced the Cooper Road project will delayed about six months due to further environmental issues and studies that need to be done. We can now hope the street is done before the 2016 school year. He finished by informing Council he planned to speak with all employees who can make it for a meeting on Friday at 1:00 p.m. to answer any questions or concerns they may have about the hiring of a new Village Administrator.

The Mayor acknowledged Jim Wasserbauer, President of the Board of Public Affairs who was in attendance to see if he had anything to discuss with Council. He indicated he was there for information but he did indicate the Water Works encountered some of the same environmental issues on one of their projects due to Brown Bats. A survey and 40 permits later, the project moved forward. Ms. Pastrick asked who the Water Works used for this study and Mr. Wasserbauer indicated Eric Winhusen would get that information for her.

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting was made by S. Myers; seconded by Ms. Pastrick. ALL YEAS.

Mayor Danny Stacy

**Clerk Linda Bolton**