

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on September 13, 2017.

Mayor Rouse began the Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. Mr. Flynn, Mr. Myers, Mr. Burns and Ms. Myers were present. Solicitor Nicholas and Village Administrator Rahall were also present. Ms. Meister and Mr. Williams were absent.

Mayor Rouse asked for a motion to excuse Ms. Meister and Mr. Williams' absences. A motion to excuse Ms. Meister and Mr. Williams' absences from tonight's Council meeting was made by Ms. Myers; seconded by Mr. Burns. ALL IN FAVOR.

A Motion to Approve the Previous Council Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Flynn; seconded by Ms. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR.

Adoption of Pay Ordinance #9-2017 was made by Ms. Myers; seconded by Mr. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Ryan McDonald addressed Council. Mr. McDonald stated that he is running for a seat on the Three Rivers School Board. Mr. McDonald discussed his background and what he would like to do if elected. He also thanked Council for allowing him to speak at the meeting.

THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

A district representative was not in attendance.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Nicholas reported that there was no legislation to be considered at tonight's meeting. Mr. Nicholas discussed the need for a public hearing regarding the proposed zoning changes.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator Mike Rahall reported that the house across the street from the BP Gas Station is for sale. The property was offered to the Village for purchase. The Village is trying to help the owner, Mr. Luebke, find a potential business owner to purchase the property. Mr. Rahall reported that Evan Koons, Police Clerk, and Brian Gilligan, Mayor's Court Clerk, are both doing well in their positions. They are currently looking at a software update and also new ways to collect fine money. Mr. Rahall is working with OKI on the Energy Grant that the Village received. A subcommittee is being formed of some of the Village's higher energy consumers. The first step of the grant is for OKI to assess the Village's facilities. Mr. Rahall has been working on the grant for the Village streetscapes. He also reported that a SCIP grant application will be submitted to help fund Miami Avenue paving, sidewalks and infrastructure. The application will include a part grant and part loan option. If the Village is approved for the SCIP grant, Council would decide how to proceed. Finally, Mr. Rahall reported that the used car dealer in the Village was given zoning conditions and is allowed to have three vehicles for sale at a time.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE

Chief Jones gave his stats for the month. Chief Jones reported that the Police Department had several uses of force last month. He also reported that there were four overdoses last month. The Police Department is getting new software that will be able to provide reports to Council. Mayor Rouse congratulated Chief Jones on his 2nd Anniversary with the Village.

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FIRE

Chief Ober gave his stats for the month. Chief Ober also reported that there has been an uptick in overdoses in the Village.

MAINTENANCE

Service Director John Knuf reported that there is a storm sewer pipe collapsed on Main Street. Mr. Knuf had a camera and flush truck assess the problem. The Maintenance Department will have to replace about 85 feet of pipe to fix the storm sewer. Mr. Knuf also reported that they were able to get dirt from the new parking lot downtown, and they placed that dirt in the park. The Maintenance Department is performing winter maintenance on the Village vehicles.

WATER

Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen reported that 33.7 million gallons of water was pumped in August. Mr. Winhusen reported that they are waiting on permits from the railroad for the Shawnee Project. The contractor is currently working on other parts of the project that do not involve the railroad. The Coleberry Court project is out to bid. The bids will be opened on September 21st.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Rouse thanked Council for attending the working session last night to work on goals for the Village. Ms. Rouse reported that Council had developed the first ever mission statement for the Village. The Village's Mission Statement is as follows. "The mission of the Village of Cleves is to provide professional and efficient government services that improve the quality of life for all who live, work, visit and conduct business in our community."

A Motion to Adopt the Village of Cleves Mission Statement was made by Ms. Myers; seconded by Mr. Burns. ALL IN FAVOR.

Ms. Rouse asked Council to continue to work on streamlining the goals. The BLOC House asked the Village to partner with them for their BLOC Fall Fest. The Fall Fest is October 28th from 5-8 pm at the BLOC House. There will be a hay maze in the grass of the Water Works/Administration Offices. There will also be trunk-or-treat, hayrides and a haunted house. Ms. Rouse reported that the next Bicentennial meeting will be September 25th at 7 pm at 92 Cleves Avenue. The Three Rivers Historical Society is going to devote its 2018 calendar to Cleves history. The Queen City Wheels bicycle group may hold a cycling event for the Bicentennial. The Society of Northwest Long Hunters, a living history organization, is also interested in participating in the Bicentennial events.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Three Rivers Schools: Mr. Myers reported that character education awards were given out at the School Board meeting. The School Board also discussed tracking absences and tardies. Mr. Rahall informed Council that the school would like to project a hologram of a yellow jacket on the school building. The school would also like to put "Home of the Yellow Jackets" signs up in Cleves, North Bend and Addyston.

Miami Township: Ms. Meister was not in attendance.

Planning and Zoning: Ms. Myers reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee is looking into making East Scott Street one way. Chief Ober is going to look at the street to see if a different traffic flow on the street will help the Fire Department. Chief Ober suggested that the committee look at Wamsley as well.

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Open discussion – Council: There was no further discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sharon Frondorf, a resident of Spring Street, addressed Council concerning the Spring Street project. Ms. Frondorf asked about the timeline of the project. Mr. Knuf reported that Duke Energy is moving poles for the project. The next phase will be for the contractor to put in piers. The project is expected to be completed next year in late summer or early fall. There was also a discussion about parking on Spring Street. Chief Jones will have his officers evaluate the situation.

A Motion to Enter into Executive Session at 8:21 P.M. per ORC 121.22-G (1) to consider the employment of a public employee was made by Ms. Rouse; seconded by Mr. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR

A Motion to Return to Regular Session at 8:37 P.M. was made by Mr. Myers; seconded by Ms. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR

RESOLUTION # 30-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIRE OF RYAN GRAY AS VILLAGE EMPLOYEE.

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #30-2017 authorizing hire of Ryan Gray as Village Employee was made by Mr. Myers; seconded by Mr. Burns. **ALL IN FAVOR**

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:40 P.M. was made by Mr. Myers; seconded by Ms. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR.

Mayor Jan Rouse

Kathy Volk, Clerk of Council