

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on September 11, 2019.

Mayor Myers began the Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. by asking everyone to join in a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attack on our country. Mayor Myers then asked that everyone join in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. Mr. Demaree, Mr. Williams, Ms. Meister, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Peter and Mr. Burns were present. Village Administrator Rahall and Solicitor Nicholas were also present.

A Motion to Approve the Previous Council Meeting Minutes for August 14, 2019 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

No one asked to speak before the Council.

THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

No one was in attendance from the School District.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Doug Nichols had no new business to come before Council.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator Rahall updated Council on the water issue on Symmes St., which had been brought before Council at previous meetings. Administrator Rahall discussed the insurance payment received for the Police Cruiser. He explained that the Settlement allowed the Village to retire the notes on both of the 2015 Cruisers. He informed Council that they should expect the replacement Tahoe to be on the agenda in October. Mrs. Myers asked about the meeting on Symmes St. Administrator Rahall said they met at Mr. Crone's property and explained how the topography did not appear to allow the water to flow from the site at the RR tracks and Mt. Nebo Rd. It was noted that some of the neighbors had added dirt to fill their yards and there may be some runoff from those properties onto Mr. Crone's. It was also noted that the downspouts on the house had been repaired and replaced; Mayor Myers agreed that the neighbor's property was higher than Mr. Crone's, saying he felt that could be a contributing factor to his issue. Mr. Rahall also said there is a sewer line in the alley and there is no apparent way to change the grade of the alley. Service Director, Mr. John Knuf stated that there are properties that appear to set lower on Mt. Nebo Rd., much closer to the RR tracks, that are not experiencing water issues. Mrs. Peter stated that she felt the downspouts would be a great help. She noted that at her home she had to put a small retaining wall in to slope the ground away from her foundation in order to stop water from entering the basement.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

WATER

Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen reported 39.5 million gallons were pumped last month. He stated that the new County Contract was received for service areas outside of the Village. The new contract allowed for a 5 percent increase for those areas. Mr. Winhusen reported that the Lawrenceburg Rd. Extension final Invoice had been received and is scheduled for payment. Mrs. Myers asked about the timing to extend mains on Gum Run Road. Mr. Winhusen said they were planning for the Spring of 2020. Mrs. Myers asked about the Mt. Nedo project, East Miami project and stated the project on Gum Run will extend approximately 1,100 feet of water main.

SERVICE

Service Director John Knuf stated that the repair to Spring Street had been completed. He said the repairs required 4 tons of blacktop to complete the project. He stated they had been trimming trees and brush along the right of ways as part of normal maintenance. Mr. Knuf informed council that the service department had

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on September 11, 2019.

removed a Homeless Camp in the Canal per Mrs. Myers request and the occupant had spread garbage over a quarter of a mile of the walking trail that had to be cleaned up.

Mrs. Myers thanked the Department for their efforts. Mr. Knuf also discussed 50 Timea St. a large sinkhole that has appeared may be a sewer line. He said the issue is being investigated and will be repaired.

FIRE

Chief Ober reported 7 Fire details including 2 minor auto accidents and 32 EMS details for the previous month, 1 was an OD of Prescription Medication combined with alcohol. Chief Ober announced there would be "Support the Fire Levy" signs available created and purchased by Miami Twp. They will be generic so all the communities will be able to use them. Chief Ober said they are planning on canvassing the neighborhoods in September. The Chief announced that planning is underway to have a Fire Prevention Day in October, which is Fire Prevention Month. Mrs. Myers asked about plans for a new fire House to replace on East Miami Rover Road. Chief Ober said it depends on the outcome of the levies. He said they would like to replace the East Miami River Road Station on the same site if possible. Mrs. Myers asked about the mold issue that station had. The chief said steps had been taken to remediate the mold, and it is not as bad now. Ms. Meister asked if the new station would be paid for from TIF funds. The chief said yes.

POLICE

Chief Reid reported to Council that the past week had been extremely stressful and tiring for himself and the Officers because of all of the hours and efforts dedicated to recent cases. He reported that Officer Rose had completed the first 2 stages of his field training. The Chief explained an incident at a Taylor High School football game that lead to a brief struggle with a group of juveniles. Two of our Officers received minor injuries. After arresting those involved, the juveniles admitted they were searching for a Taylor H.S. student to assault. Chief Reid reported on a reported abduction and rape case. The investigation was actually completed today. The Chief thanked the surrounding departments who assisted in the investigation and said it was not an actual abduction and rape. The alleged victim had made up the story. Despite the long hours and effort exerted by everyone involved, Chief Reid announced that at this time he was not pursuing charges and instead was working with the family to get her assistance. Ms. Meister asked about some of the postings on Facebook saying there were several misleading posts. The Chief agreed. He also informed Council that the method for press releases was being changed so all members of the press would receive any official statements in one release. Ms. Meister asked Administrator Rahall if he could send Press releases to Council in the future. Chief Reid said he would add Council to the email release list. The Chief described the replacement for the Police Cruiser. He said that he was able to put a 2019 Tahoe on hold saving \$2000.00 over the 2020 cost. He also said some of the equipment could be salvaged from the 2015 Cruiser and be reused in the new unit. The total cost of the vehicle and all add equipment will be \$52,868.00. The paperwork is being prepared and Council should be able to approve the unit in October. The Chief also outlined his early thoughts on replacement vehicles for the fleet, saying the ultimate goal would be to get on a 3-year cycle. Mrs. Myers asked about the Safety Day at Three Rivers Elem. The Chief said it went Great! The Sherriff had their Helicopter there for 3 hours, the State Highway Patrol had a K-9 unit there and the Park District had a representative there as well. Mrs. Myers asked if the Safety Day was going to become an annual Event. The Chief said yes, and they were exploring programs to help outline Safety Day Programming for Adults and Children per Mrs. Myers request. Mayor Myers thanked the Chief and our Officers as well as all of the surrounding departments who assisted in the reported abduction and rape case. Mrs. Myers noted that she had to remove several posts on the Village Facebook page that stated names of people they suspected matched the description. Mrs. Peter asked Chief Reid if he was going to follow up on the assistance the family was going to get for the alleged victim. He said he had made that a condition of not being charged and they know failure to get the assistance may result in charges being filed. Mr. Demaree said, as the father of a 15 year old, Thank You!

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on September 11, 2019.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mrs. Myers: Mrs. Myers reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee was addressing recent issues and at the last Committee Meeting they had went onsite to view a location with violations in order to fully view and review the issues in person. They were able to speak with the tenant about several of the issues and how they could be resolved. Mrs. Myers said they might do more on site visits in the future. Mrs. Myers also reported that there would be a Meet the Candidates Night on October 24, 2019 at 7:00 PM at Three Rivers Elem. for the potential School Board Candidates. She said 3 of the 4 Candidates had agreed to be there so far and they were waiting on confirmation from the fourth. Mrs. Myers made the following announcements:

The Senior Center Craft Show will be held September 21, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Miami Township has acquired 2 acres next to Miami West Park.

Miami Township residents have been using our recycling containers at no cost.

She had viewed an Eagle Scout Project which created a "take a book - give a book" location at the Shady Lane Community Building. She suggested starting a similar program in the Village. Ms. Meister suggested locating it in our lobby.

Mrs. Myers discussed people leaving furniture and bedding at the Service Department with Administrator Rahall. Mrs. Myers suggested we try to find grant money for surveillance cameras. Mr. Rahall said perhaps we could use recycling profits since they are dumping the items next to the recycling dumpsters. Mr. Williams suggested a trail cam, which could be moved around to trouble spots as needed Mrs. Peter said the problem she saw with a trail cam is since it, s not permanent, it could be stolen. Discussions were had on placing it so this would not happen.

Mrs. Myers asked Chief Ober if he knew what the Township was planning to use the 2 acres recently acquired for, in regards to possibly more fields, etc. to allow for possibly alleviating our Park issue brought to Council by Tristan Young and his suggestion to make our park for Soccer and Miami West for Baseball. He replied that they were exploring options at this time, but he did not know of anything yet.

Mrs. Myers asked Mr. Burns if the Parks Committee had made any progress on the future of the ballfields. He said not yet and the issue was still being looked at.

Mr. Burns: Mr. Burns reported the drainage on the Bike Trail was being reviewed. He estimates it would cost between \$500.00 and \$600.00 dollars to install a proper drain. He also said they would need permission from Chevron to make the improvements. Mr. Knuf is going to meet with Chevron to discuss the project. Mr. Burns reported that they were discussing adding a Beer garden as a part of the Christmas Walk; however, it appears the committee is not going to pursue that at this time. Another activity being looked into is a "Business Scavenger Hunt" which was done at previous Christmas Walks with local businesses.

Ms. Meister: Ms. Meister stated the Township is still planning a round about at the intersection of Bridgetown Rd. and Shady Ln. She also said the Township is planning to install a Tennis Wall to allow individuals to play against the wall.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams discussed the Chiefs report on the new Police Officers. He stated they were reviewing potential traffic problems related to the new Skyline location and the round about. He reported that the Committee wants to make Safety Day an annual event. The Swift Water Rescue Training was discussed. Chief Ober said they will be receiving some new equipment, and he planned to share the current equipment with the Police Departments in both Cleves and Addison. Mr. Demaree suggested the round about was designed for 3 entrances and exits, and adding the Skyline drive may not be workable. Mr. Burns suggested a crosswalk be considered. Administrator Rahall said the school has already ask for a crosswalk to be considered.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on September 11, 2019.

Mr. Demaree: Mr. Demaree discussed the UAN audit. Administrator Rahall and Fiscal Officer Jim Brett are meeting with representatives to get our current accounts in order. He assured everyone that any questions were simply getting the right expenses into the correct accounts in the accounting system. He stated the Ballot Initiative for the Fire Levy would generate approximately \$125,000.00. He stated the Schweitzer Property near the Park was being checked to see if it is in the TIF area.

Ms. Peter: Mrs. Peter stated that several Street Lights were not working in the Coleman Woods Subdivision. Mayor Myers asked her to get the pole numbers to Mrs. Myers so she could report them to Duke Energy.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Myers reported that there were two service anniversaries in September.

- Mollie Hill: Custodian: 21 years
- Maria Nieheisel: Water Works Clerk: 4 years

He reported that Mayor's Court collected \$4,212.00 last month and distributed \$3,492.00 to the Village. \$18.00 was distributed to Auditor Dusty Rhodes and \$702.00 was distributed to the Treasurer of Ohio.

Mayor Myers had nothing to add regarding the School District meeting on August 27th.

The Mayor said the Official Report from ODOT and the Railroad had been received. The report is a result of the Meeting held July 25, 2019. The information is available if Council would like to review it.

Mayor Myers stated that Gravelrama seemed smaller this year, but the organizers are expecting the event to be much larger next year. It will be the 50th Anniversary. A discussion was held about Parade costs and who should pay for the costs involved in a Parade. Administrator Rahall mentioned that parades such as Gravelrama were looked at as a part of economic development in the past, but an event like Gravelrama is not having the impact it may have had in the past. Mr. Demaree noted that Gravelrama is a profit making organization and he feels nonprofits should be given consideration in the cost of services.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

No one wished to address Council at this time.

Executive Session

Mrs. Myers made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:15 P.M. for the purpose of meeting with Village Legal Counsel concerning a dispute involving the Village that is subject to pending or imminent court action, seconded by Mr. Williams.

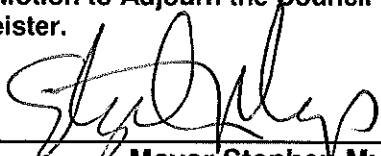
ALL IN FAVOR.

Mr. Demaree moved to return to Regular Session at 8:25 P.M, seconded by Mrs. Myers.

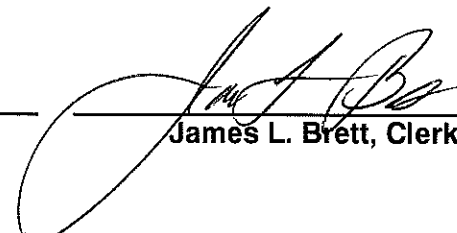
ALL IN FAVOR.

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:26 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Ms. Meister.

ALL IN FAVOR.



Mayor Stephen Myers



James L. Brett, Clerk of Council