

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on November 13, 2019.

Mayor Myers began the Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. with 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 October 9, 2019 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mrs. Peter. ALL IN FAVOR.

A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #10-2019 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Burns. ALL IN FAVOR.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Sean Corcoran and Mr. Robert Burwell, residents of the Coleman Woods Subdivision presented information to Council regarding a Storm Drain in Coleman Woods, which the Developer did not dedicate to the Village. They stated that, to the best of their knowledge, it is the only Storm Drain in the subdivision that was not dedicated to the Village. The Storm Drain serves approximately 25 homes and runs between two of the homes to a detention area. The homeowners discovered that it was not dedicated when a section of pipe failed. The Developer, Drees Homes, replaced the section, which failed, and had the work inspected. They believe the issue is corrected and the work complete. They stated that they would like to see the Storm Drainage Sewer dedicated to the Village. Mrs. Myers asked if there was a Private Drain Easement. Mr. Corcoran said there was. Service director, Mr. John Knuf, stated that typically Storm Water Collection Systems are dedicated to the Village. He stated that there might be other private storm drainage systems in the Village; however, he is not aware of them. He also stated that Televac had videoed the repair and inspected it. He said he had reviewed their records of the repair. Administrator, Mike Rahall asked Mr. Knuf why this was different from the private storm sewer on another resident's property in Coleman Woods. Mr. Knuf stated that the Storm Drain on that specific property is only a pipe from a catch basin to a detention area. Mr. Knuf said the Developer originally said the pipe failure and the earthwork required to restore the disturbed area around the failure were the Villages responsibility. That is when it was discovered that the Storm Drain was not dedicated to the Village. Mrs. Myers asked if there was satisfactory proof that the repair had been properly made. Mr. Burwell said yes. Mr. Knuf said he did not have the documentation. He also said the contractor, Mt. Pleasant, said the failed pipe did not cause the slippage damage to the adjacent properties, and that was a separate issue. Ms. Meister asked why the Storm Drain was not submitted to the Village at the time the other sections and street were dedicated to the Village. Mr. Burwell said it apparently fell through the cracks due to the responsible person at the developer's office being ill during the process. Mr. Rahall asked about the Warranty on the repair work. Mr. Knuf stated it was the typical one year. Mr. Corcoran replied that he was told it was good for a lifetime. Mr. Rahall asked if the Property Owners were responsible for the detention area maintenance. Mr. Knuf said yes. Mr. Rahall suggested the Village check with Drees to see why it was not dedicated; he also asked Mr. Winhusen if he had any experience with situations similar to this one. He said no, but he felt the issue should be investigated. Mayor Myers asked Mr. Knuf to investigate the situation and to see if there are other Private Storm Drainages Systems in the Village

THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

No one was in attendance from the School District.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Doug Nichols had one item for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION #26-2019 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION & AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

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A Motion to Adopt Resolution #26-2019 Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. **ALL IN FAVOR.**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

WATER

Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen reported 32 million gallons were pumped last month. Mr. Winhusen announced that the Lawrenceburg Rd. project was wrapping up and they are looking forward to the next project with Miami Township. Mrs. Myers asked if Gum Run and Mt. Nebo were the next projects. Mr. Winhusen said Jordan Rd. and Miami View were the next likely extensions; however, the Jordan Rd. area is part of the Cincinnati Water Works Service Area. He also said he would be reviewing our costs to assure we are compensated for our overhead and administrative costs in the future projects. Mr. Winhusen also said JMA Consultants would likely be his recommendation for the engineering on the next projects due to the retirement of the Engineer at Brandsetter Carrol who oversaw the Lawrenceburg Road Project. They have also been working on several water main breaks.

SERVICE

Service Director Knuf reported that the repair to the storm sewer on Timea was extensive but has been completed. He also said the snow equipment was checked and ready for the season. Mr. Knuf stated that the Christmas Lights were being checked and would be placed next week and turned on the first week of December. Mrs. Peter asked about the decorations. Mr. Knuf said he had the railing decorations. Mrs. Myers asked about 207 N. Miami. Mr. Knuf said he had not had time in the schedule to start on it, but with the mowing season ending, he expected to start soon. Mr. Burns asked if the Service Department would be able to get the trees decorated. Mr. Knuf said yes. Mr. Burns reminded everyone about the Saturday November 30th decorating date. He also asked Mr. Knuf about the Bike Path Drain. Mr. Knuf said it will be a winter project. Mr. Rahall said the Service Department would be placing decorations on 45 poles this year. Only 30 were used last year.

FIRE

Chief Ober reported 6 Fire details including a structure fire on Miami Ave. and 42 EMS details for the previous month. Chief Ober thanked everyone for the support in passing the fire levies throughout the area. Mrs. Myers asked about the Fire Levy Informational Meetings and the touch-a-truck events. Chief Ober said no one attended the Levy meetings, but the touch-a-trucks were a success. Mrs. Myers asked about Technical Rope Training scheduling. He said there were none planned at this time. Mrs. Myers asked about the fire hydrant painting and if there was any Village responsibility for the maintenance and if there are any plans or needs for hydrants located in the Village. The Chief said there was no Village participation required in the hydrant maintenance program. Mrs. Myers asked if North Bend or Addyson participated in the program. Chief Ober said Addyson used to have a summer help program that painted hydrants and that North Bend does some in their area.

POLICE

Chief Reid reported to Council that Sgt. Habig had received a call regarding a sword that was owned by John Cleves Symmes and carried by President William Henry Harrison. The sword had been stolen over 40 years ago from the Cincinnati Historical Society. Sgt. Habig gathered information and was able to have the sword removed from an auction where it was listed for sale. The sword is back in Cincinnati and Chief Reid said if the Sgt. had not went beyond in his search for proper documentation; the sword may have been lost to a buyer in the auction. The Chief described the department's involvement in assisting in the apprehension of a vehicle wanted by Cincinnati Police in connection with aggravated menacing and a hit and run. The subject attempted to strike the Village Officers with the vehicle and a high-speed chase ensued. The subject was finally captured the next morning. He is currently in the Justice Center being held on Felony Warrants from a different district.

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Mrs. Myers asked about the total cost of the new Police Vehicle. Chief Reid said the Vehicle cost was approximately \$37,000.00 and the add on emergency equipment was an additional \$14,000.00. The Chief said the Vehicle was purchased for \$200.00 under the State Bid Package Pricing. Mrs. Myers also asked about the Safety Education Program. The Chief replied that he was working on information for 150 participants, and looking at dates in March to the program. Mayor Myers said he would like to recognize Sgt. Habig for his role in returning the John Cleves Symmes Sword. He said he had hoped to do it at this meeting, but the Sgt. is on his vacation, so perhaps in December.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator Rahall announce that the remaining funds in the Community Development Block Grant had been allocated to repave the Alley behind Mr. Crones home. He said the bids came in \$20,000.00 over the amount we had left to spend, however he was able to obtain the additional funding from the County to pay for the entire project with no out of pocket expenses to the Village. Mr. Rahall said he hopes to have Temporary Appropriations available for approval next month. He also reported the Park Gate receipts were just over \$20,000.00 for this year. Mrs. Myers asked if Mr. Crone had contacted him since the last meeting. Mr. Rahall said he had not spoken with him since his daughter was in town and met with them.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mrs. Myers: Mrs. Myers reported that there was nothing new to report on the Holland property, just the progress on the Skyline Chili restaurant. She stated that the sale of the property adjacent to the Park was on hold. Administrator Rahall said he was exploring the options of adding the property to the existing TIF District or creating a new TIF. Mrs. Myers asked if we had received any inquiries on the Mt Nebo property, and the possibility of it being included in the TIF. Mr. Rahall is looking into the options.

Ms. Myers reported that the Planning & Zoning Committee is discussing creating documents for the website outlining the steps, policies, procedures, ordinances/codes that residents need to follow for permits, inspections, etc. In addition, the Village is working on several properties on violations and variance requests.

Mrs. Myers reported that the Christmas Walk is December 7, 2019. Breakfast w/Santa will be held at the school on December 14, 2019. She also noted the Senior Center Thanksgiving Celebration would be November 21, 2019, the cost is \$8.00 per person. She will be posting information on the Village social media page. Mrs. Myers stated the Library is discussing options with the YMCA regarding the new Healthplex. She also said they estimate that there will be ground breaking sometime this spring, if all goes as planned

Mr. Burns: Mr. Burns reported the Parks committee did not meet. He said work continues on the Christmas Walk. They are tying up all the small details. He stated that the Presbyterian Church would be hosting an Evensong in conjunction with the Christmas Walk, and Santa will be arriving at 5:30pm.

Ms. Meister: Ms. Meister had nothing report.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said the Safety Committee did not meet. He asked Mr. Knuf if there was still an issue with illegal dumping, he said yes. Mr. Rahall showed Council an example of Trail Camera Pictures which Hamilton County Public Health had successfully used in recent court cases. He said he will be getting information about them and their cost. Mayor Myers suggested we check on grants from the recycling program for the funding to purchase them.

Mr. Demaree: Mr. Demaree said he had no Finance Committee report.

Mrs. Peter: Mrs. Peter said she had nothing to add.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Myers reported that there were no service anniversaries in November.

Mayor Myers thanked the Tri-State Cycling Club for their donation to the Village. The club cycles through the Village and they wanted to show their appreciation for the Village Facilities.

He reported that Mayor's Court collected \$4353.00 last month and distributed \$3661.00 to the Village, \$15.00 was distributed to Auditor Dusty Rhodes and \$647.00 was distributed to the Treasurer of Ohio.

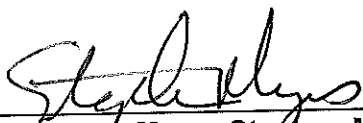
Mayor Myers stated the School District Meeting is scheduled for November 12th.

The Mayor reported that Taylor High School will hold the performances of Elf! on November 15, 16 and 17. Tickets are on sale now. Thanksgiving break for the Three Rivers Campus is November 25th – November 29th and the Three Rivers Acclaim Foundation will hold the annual "Celebrate the Arts" event on April 3, 2020.

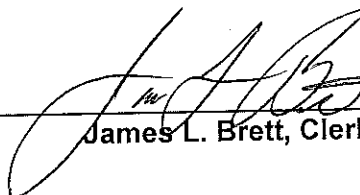
HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

No one wished to address Council at this time.

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:00 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mrs. Peter
ALL IN FAVOR.



Mayor Stephen Myers



James L. Brett, Clerk of Council