

The Council Meeting held on April 11, 2012 was called to order by Mayor Stacy with the Pledge to the Flag. Members of Council present: Meister, Meyers, Nichols, Santen, and Randall. Ms. Pastrick was absent. Clerk/Treasurer Bolton was present as was Solicitor Hyle.

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
<b>A Motion to Approve Previous Council Minutes</b>	<b>Santen</b>	<b>Meister</b>	<b>ALL YEAS</b>
<b>Motion to Pay Warrants &amp; Vouchers and Adopt Pay Ordinance # 6- 2012.</b>	<b>Santen</b>	<b>Meister</b>	<b>ALL YEAS</b>

**A Motion to Excuse Ms. Pastrick from the Council Meeting on 3/28, 4/11, 4/25 and 5/9 made by Nichols; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.**

### **SOLICITOR’S REPORT**

The Solicitor reviewed several legislative items needing to be addressed: A joint-use agreement with Three Rivers School and the Village of Cleves; Adoption of recent edition of the Ohio Basic Code; and an Ordinance regarding parking issues in the park. Following discussion, Council took the following action:

**RESOLUTION # 11 – 2012      JOINT-USE AGREEMENT ABOUT PLAYGROUND AT CT YOUNG.**  
A Motion to Adopt Resolution #11-2012 made by Santen; seconded by Randall. ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE # 6 – 2012      ADOPTION OF 2012 EDITION OF THE OHIO BASIC CODE**  
A Motion to Introduce Ord #6-2012 made by Santen; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.  
A Motion to Suspend the Rules Read by Title Only by Santen; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.  
A Motion to Adopt Ord #6-2012 made by Santen; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.

**ORDINANCE # 7 – 2012      ESTABLISHING PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT PARK.**  
A Motion to Introduce Ord #7-2012 made by Meyers; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.  
A Motion to Suspend the Rules Read by Title Only by Meyers seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.  
A Motion to Adopt Ord #7-2012 made by Meyers; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.

### **CLERK/TREASURER REPORT**

Clerk Bolton reported the Village has received our Official Certificate of Estimated Resources. The State Auditor’s Office has notified us they have received one bid from Bastin & Company, LLC, to perform our bi-yearly audits for 2010/11 and 2012/13. The good news is that our bids were \$15,080 and \$15,500 respectively.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Police Chief Renner** began with a recap of the previous monthly detail reports. Following his recap, he asked Council to accept a new auxiliary officer, Michael Gerde. Upon review of his credentials, Council took the following action: **A Motion to Accept Michael Gerde as an Auxiliary Police Officer with the Village of Cleves was made by Meyers; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.**

**Fire Chief Ober** reviewed his previous monthly run totals. He also mentioned they are in the process of their second round of fire inspections throughout the Village’s businesses. He will conduct tours of the Miami Township firehouses this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. for anyone interested. He is also investigating and working with the Village concerning some parking and access concerns for emergency vehicles on several Village streets. He will report back when he has identified possible solutions to these concerns. Lastly, he is also working closely with the Water Works to ensure several leaking fire hydrants get replaced. Ms. Bolton asked about our current

open burn policy our Fire Dept. used to enforce and she wondered who was enforcing it now? This prompted a discussion about our open burn policy. This is not something Chief Ober believes his department should be enforcing.

*Street Commissioner Duncan* was not in attendance.

## **COUNCIL & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ms. Meister, *Public Works Utility Committee Chair*, indicated she had attended the Board of Public Affairs Meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> and several issues were discussed at this meeting: Expansion project report; Dress code issues for Water Works personnel; Designated smoking area for Water Works personnel; Promotion for Ed Grim; and leaky fire hydrants to be replaced one at a time due to high cost to replace. She reminded Council the next BBA Meeting will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

On behalf of the newly formed *Communications Committee*, Ms. Meister reported resident committee member Stephen Meyers will now be taking care of our website and is planning to upgrade and improve our site. Ms. Randall is now controlling our Facebook page. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Meyers, *Parks Committee Chair*, began her report by reminded everyone our “Fly A Kite” Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. She is delivering flyers to the elementary schools. The Park Committee discussed issues around signage and planning to order a grill for the new shelter to replace one removed when the shelter was being expanded. Lastly, she updated Council on her and Ms. Nichols progress with the memorial tree for Jack Rinninger Jr. Mayor Stacy thanked Bev and the Clerk for the spreadsheet on Park receipts and expenditures.

Ms. Nichols, *Safety Committee Chair*, mentioned both Chief’s had already reported on all issues discussed at Safety. She mentioned a monthly K9 report, but Chief Renner indicated this issue has been put on hold for now. She indicated a top priority for Safety was still increasing our auxiliary force and finding the funds for additional police coverage. She said he has gone on a “ride-along” with Officer Delk and found it quite informative.

Ms. Randall, *Public Works Streets Chair*, reported the good news Mr. Heath passed the pesticide class and will obtain a license to apply pesticides. New “Cleves Corporation” sign ordered and installed. Montieth resurfacing on hold for blacktop companies to begin production and Maintenance is going to obtain a new email address just for their Maintenance and Street needs. Mr. Duncan is looking into some sink holes and curb deterioration in Coleman Woods. Ms. Randall also informed Council JMA has agreed to accept the Engineering fees for Harrison Avenue over three years and our seed monies for Harrison can be obtained through a 20-year, zero percent interest loan. Our engineering fees are \$76,000; our seed money would be \$153,360 and the grant award around \$613,440. Following discussion, **A Motion to Approve JMA to Move Forward with the Engineering for the Harrison Avenue Improvement Project for \$76,000 Payable Over Three Years made by Randall; seconded by Nichols. ALL YEAS.**

Mr. Santen, *Community Planning Chair*, will not be able to attend next Council Meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup> and Planning Commission meeting May 3<sup>rd</sup>. He may be able to return for Council Meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Minutes from Planning Meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> are not complete yet but he reported a family in the Westgate subdivision on Western View had approached Planning about a basketball hoop in the street. The house at 80 E. State has been condemned and time to appeal has expired. The house at 500 Mt. Nebo has met Stage 1 requirements for bringing that dwelling into repair. Planning has decided to delay the Public Hearing concerning parking requirements while the research the formation of a PUD in the Cooper Road area. The Committee believes the Village has more power and leverage with a PUD in place. Lastly, our Zoning Map is being revised.

Jan Pastrick, Finance Committee Chair, was not present but has distributed minutes from the last meeting. Mayor Stacy highlighted the involvement of a resident CPA, Jason Morsch, who is attending Finance as a resident advisor and the main focus of the committee's will be toward possible levy needs for the fall election.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Stacy has received a quote from Terracon of \$7,700 to complete the next phase of the possible contamination of the Municipal Building's back parking lot. He asked Council to approve, using investment monies if necessary. Ms. Bolton indicated she believes we should go ahead and use monies in the Land & Building discretionary funds for this. **A Motion to Approve \$7,700 bid from Terracon to Perform next Phase of the Parking Lot Contamination made by Meyers; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.** Mayor Stacy said the next step is to obtain samples to recommend the best solution to resolve the issue.

Mayor Stacy indicated Mr. Heath has some concerns about his current licensing for pesticide application covering the monthly application of Home Defense at our Municipal Building. A discussion was held about this issue with possible resolutions being explored. He has heard back from North Bend's Mayor who at this time is not interested in a joint venture with our Police Department. They are looking to move forward with plans to contract their coverage with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department.

**A Motion to Enter into Executive Session for Personnel Issues by Santen; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS. A Motion to Reenter Regular Session of Council made by Santen; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.**

**A Motion to Adjourn made by Santen; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.**

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Mayor Danny Stacy

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Clerk/Treasurer Linda Bolton