

The Council Meeting held on November 28, 2012 was called to order by Mayor Stacy with the Pledge to the Flag. All Members of Council were present. Clerk/Treasurer Bolton was present as was Solicitor Hyle..

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
A Motion to Approve Previous Council Minutes	Santen	Meister	ALL YEAS
Motion to Pay Warrants & Vouchers and Adopt Pay Ordinance #20- 2012.	Santen	Meister	ALL YEAS

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Hyle reported to Council the Estrel Struckman lawsuit, an Addyston incident we were named as a party to, has been dismissed without prejudiced again the Village of Cleves. This is not an issue for us any longer.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

The Clerk informed Council they should have some current updated spreadsheets concerning our investment spending recaps and debt obligations for 2013. She indicated she would be updating more information for them as the year end approaches and they could find these updates in their bins. If they think it important, they should have these items with them at any future Council or finance meetings as we meet to establish next year's appropriations.

Mayor Stacy acknowledged Tiffany Myers, Chairman of the Christmas Walk Committee and she provided Council with an update of Christmas in the Village news. At this time the Mayor again reiterated his happiness with our current website and Facebook pages and the good work being done by the Communications Committee.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

No Department Head reports expected at this second meeting of the month.

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Meister, **Public Works Water & Utility Committee**, had nothing special to report other than to inform everyone the next Board of Public Affairs meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 18 at 4:00 p.m. She also mentioned the Communications Committee is looking to identify ways to better market the services we provide. The next Communications Meeting is not until January 21, 2013. The Clerk asked Steve Myers if we could add the Building Department link to our website as a way of informing residents about this service we have always provided. He indicated he could. Mayor Stacy said he is receiving a lot of positive feedback about our new website. He did indicate he had received a phone call from a resident in Coleman Woods having severe water pressure problems. A discussion was then held about the potential addition of a Water Tank in Coleman Woods in 2013. Ms. Meyers indicated she believed the tank would not resolve the water pressure problems, but instead a special pump needs to be installed to assist several homes in Coleman Woods that were built below the level of the current tank. Further discussion was held.

Ms. Meyers, **Parks Committee Chair**, had nothing to report. Next Park meeting not scheduled until February of 2013 due to Park being closed for the winter.

Megan Randall, **Public Works Streets Chair**, mentioned Jennifer Vatter had indicated she would be forwarding paperwork to the Clerk concerning the Porter Street Box Culvert repairs. A discussion was held about an ordinance we should have passed concerning a storm water district but there is no point in worrying about it now.

The Mayor mentioned he is currently holding a bill for work performed on the back lot cleanup until the Village receives the formal documentation it needs to consider the cleanup of the back lot complete. He then reported to Council on the matter of curb and sidewalk issues on South Miami. He did secure a couple more quotes for fixing the curbing in this area and if we wait until the box culvert is fixed next year, we can get the curb fixed for about \$750. A discussion was held about this and the responsibilities of the Village and the property owners as it relates to curb and sidewalk repairs. Ms. Pastrick asked if we could consider entering into an agreement with the property owner to repair the sidewalk if the curb is repaired by the Village. Ms. Nichols asked about our liability concerning the curb and further discussion was held at this time concerning this issue.

Nancy Nichols, **Safety Committee Chair**, had nothing to report other than to remind everyone the next Safety Meeting is being held Monday, December 3rd at 5:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m. due to the working session of Council beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Jan Pastrick, **Finance Committee Chair**, reporting on the meeting held prior to Council Meeting with all Department Heads giving their input into possible budget cuts in their department. There will be a working session of Council on Monday, December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. and a Finance Meeting on December 19th at 6:00 p.m. both to review potential budget cuts in 2013 due to failure of levy. Council needs to find creative ways of doing business and revamping the Village to achieve sustainability. Ms. Pastrick also indicated she was still working with the school and a new Communication & Development Coordinator to keep abreast of their actions concerning the "Safe Route to School" grant. JMA has committed to helping us apply. Lastly, she reported PNC has donated \$1500 toward the purchase of new equipment for the skate park.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stacy is concerned about the failure of the levy and the tough decisions to be made as a result. He has invited input from Village residents. He is moving forward with any plans concerning revitalization of our business district and business meetings which will start up again in January.

He would like Council to meet again soon to review the goals identified at last year's meeting to see where we are and which of our goals have been accomplished.

He would like to further explore the possibility of an email newsletter of some kind and we can put our heads together to how to inform residents who do not have email.

He finished by reminding everyone the Christmas Walk was coming up December 7th and 8th.

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

Mayor Danny Stacy

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Bolton