

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on April 12, 2017.

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

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 #4-2017 was made by Ms. Meister; seconded by Mr. Myers. ALL IN FAVOR.

THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

Mr. Tom Bailey reported that spring break will be April 14th – 21st. Mr. Bailey also reported that this is testing season for the school. The high school prom will be held on May 5th. The school is going to hold Ready Fest on August 10th from 4-6 pm. The Ready Fest provides supplies and resources for students and their families. The Village participated last year and will be asked to participate again this year.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Nicholas had prepared multiple items of legislation for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION # 13-2017

RESOLUTION PROMOTING POLICE OFFICER JUSTIN HABIG TO FULL-TIME

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #13-2017 promoting Police Officer Justin Habig to full-time was made by Ms. Meister; seconded by Mr. Flynn. **ALL IN FAVOR.**
Mayor Rouse then swore in Officer Habig as a Full-Time Officer of the Village of Cleves Police Department.

RESOLUTION # 14-2017

RESOLUTION PROMOTING POLICE OFFICER DAVID BINGLE TO SERGEANT

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #14-2017 promoting Police Officer David Bingle to Sergeant was made by Ms. Meister; seconded by Mr. Flynn. **ALL IN FAVOR.**
Mayor Rouse then swore in Officer Bingle as Sergeant of the Village of Cleves Police Department. Chief Jones congratulated Officer David Bingle on his promotion to Sergeant.

RESOLUTION # 15-2017

RESOLUTION HIRING STEPHEN KNAPP AS PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #15-2017 hiring Stephen Knapp as part-time police officer was made by Ms. Meister; seconded by Mr. Myers. **ALL IN FAVOR.**
Mayor Rouse then swore in Stephen Knapp as a Part-Time Police Officer of the Village of Cleves Police Department.

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RESOLUTION # 16-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FISCAL OFFICER TO ISSUE WARRANTS FOR PAYMENT BASED ON THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PURCHASES

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #16-2017 authorizing Fiscal Officer to issue warrants for payment based on Then and Now Certificates for purchases was made by Ms. Meister; seconded by Mr. Myers. **ALL IN FAVOR.**

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator Mike Rahall reported that he met with Hamilton County concerning the Village's contract with the County to provide water to consumers in the Village and surrounding areas. The Village is currently negotiating a new 30 year contract with the County. The Village would like to keep the surcharge that is charged to consumers who receive water from our Water Works Department but do not reside in the Village. This additional charge helps cover the costs of pumping the water to those areas plus the maintenance of the water lines. Mr. Rahall will meet with the County again in May to continue negotiations. Mr. Rahall will meet with a property appraiser next week to get an estimate on the cost of having an appraisal done on the riverfront property near North Bend. Mr. Rahall has received a few resumes from candidates interested in working for the Service Department. An ad will also be placed on our website and with The Center for Local Government. Mr. Rahall is working on updating the Village's Employee Manual. JMA is contacting Holland Corporation to get an update on the property off of Cooper Avenue. Mr. Rahall secured a grant for the Park for \$500. The grant is being used to purchase signage to mark the park as one way in and out. The new signs will go up next week. The auditors sent a draft of the audit report for 2014-2015. There were a few issues, but, overall, the report was good. The new cell tower on Route 50 was installed on ODOT property. Since it is on ODOT property, the Village does not have any involvement with the tower.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE

Chief Jones reported that it has been a busy month with the staffing changes. Chief Jones reported that the three officers sworn in tonight are all Veterans, as are several of the other officers. The Police Department has been working closely with the Miami Township Fire Department on several fires recently. Chief Jones has turned the old garage in the basement into a gym for officers to exercise in.

FIRE

Chief Ober gave his stats for the month. Chief Ober thanked the Police Department and the Sheriff for help with fires in March. Chief Ober also thanked Chief Jones for taking care of an incident at a fire. There was a small fire at the school. Fire hydrant checks will start around the end of the month. Miami Township is having a drug take back day on April 29th at the Fire Department.

MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Supervisor Lucky Heath was not in attendance.

WATER

Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen had nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Rouse reported that Council and the Village Administrator will attend visioning meetings on May 23rd and June 6th beginning at 7 pm. A facilitator will help with the meetings. Mayor Rouse would like to use the

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meetings to determine short and long term goals for the Village. Zoning meetings are now being held monthly. In order to redevelop of the business district, the Village needs to establish a proper zoning process. The Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission has agreed to work with the Village as part of the Village's membership with them. The Commission will provide recommendations for implementing the master plan and develop a business building inventory. They can also provide access to demographic data for potential business owners. The Energy Efficiency Planning Project that OKI is sponsoring has become an application process. Mayor Rouse will submit an application for the Village. Mayor Rouse has been attending community collaboration meetings with Miami Township, North Bend and Addyston officials. These meetings allow the communities to stay informed on what is happening in each community. Whitewater Crossing Church has an outreach group that is interested in doing projects in the area. An article was in the paper and online asking for volunteers to help plan the 200th Celebration of the Village. Mayor Rouse received the latest recycling report. 2.54% of the Village's population recycled in 2016. Village residents recycled 41.55 tons in 2016. Mayor Rouse commended Mike Rahall for the outstanding job that he has done as Village Administrator. Mr. Rahall has been the Village Administrator for two years. Mayor Rouse introduced the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 17-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAY INCREASE TO VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

A Motion to Adopt Resolution #17-2017 authorizing pay increase to Village Administrator was made by Ms. Myers; seconded by Ms. Meister.

ALL IN FAVOR.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Three Rivers Schools: Mr. Myers reported that on April 25th there will be a joint meeting with the School Board and Miami Township at 7 pm. Mr. Myers also reported that students from Taylor High School recently visited Bolivia.

Miami Township: Ms. Meister reported that Simple Recycling gave a presentation to the Miami Township Trustees. This is the textile recycling program that Mayor Rouse had mentioned in the past.

Planning and Zoning: Ms. Myers reported that the Zoning Committee met last week. Ms. Myers reported that 516 N. Miami Avenue will become forfeited land in June. The Village is hoping to get grant money to demolish 75 Harrison Avenue. The Village is going to work with the Port Authority to clear up 207 N. Miami Avenue.

Open discussion – Council: Mr. Burns reported that the Policeter Bunny event was a success.

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:45 P.M. was made by Mr. Myers; seconded by Ms. Myers.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Mayor Jan Rouse

Kathy Volk, Clerk of Council

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