

Mayor Opelt called the regular meeting of Council to order on Tuesday, November 16, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. Prayer was offered by Douglas Wegman followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present for roll call were Vandersall, Sharp, Wegman, Brann and Barnes. Panning was absent. Also attending the meeting were Police Chief/Personnel Supervisor, Robert Vespi; Solicitor, Michael Marsh; Adam Wright from the Sentinel-Tribune; Linda Hall and Charlene Kerr from Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc. and residents—Alton Beeker, Eric Campbell, Larry Bockbrader and Kathy Brandt.

The minutes from November 2, 2004 were reviewed. As there were no additions or corrections, the minutes stand approved as submitted.

Bills in the amount of \$2,563.52 were presented for approval of payment. Brann moved, seconded by Vandersall, to pay the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Brandt, Committee Chairperson for Cub Scout Pack 344, invited everyone to an open house on January 11, 2005, to celebrate Pack 344's 50th birthday.

Ordinance #1305, Ordinance Amending Ordinances Number 1125 and 1244 and Establishing a Monthly Charge for Maintenance, Operation, Improvements and Repairs to the Municipal Sewer System, had its third reading. Vandersall moved to pass Ordinance #1305. Seconded by Sharp, the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #671, Resolution Authorizing Regular Blanket Certificate Purchase Orders Issued by the Clerk to Remain Open and Unexpired for up to Six Months from Issuance, had its first reading.

Council was asked to pay expenses for the three Clerks for UAN Software Training in Columbus, Wednesday night and Thursday. Brann moved to pay expenses for the Clerks' training. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR: Two people came to tonight's meeting with interest in the gazebo. Vespi will have Village employees remove the brick and skirting from around the gazebo between now and the next Council meeting so they can see the condition underneath before making a commitment. Vandersall moved that any donation received go into a fund for a new gazebo. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried unanimously.

Feels having a Village credit card could be a savings to the Village. Contacted six other Villages and all six have them including Woodville, Genoa, Elmore and Bradner. Woodville also sent a copy of their Ordinance. Discussion was held. Solicitor Marsh said an Ordinance is not needed for a Village credit card but Council should have a policy in place before getting one.

We need to consider the purchase of a VCR/DVD and 20" TV as it is used for monthly OSHA meetings. Vandersall moved to purchase a new TV and VCR/DVD with a limit of \$300.00. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried.

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Chief Vespi would like to hire three new part-time police officers: Donald Widmer, Mark Reef and Dennis "Jim" Darling. Vandersall moved to approve the hiring. Seconded by Sharp, the motion carried unanimously.

Vespi would also like to send Officer Lorenzen to training in London, Ohio, December 6 - 10, to become a school resource officer. Vandersall moved to send Officer Lorenzen to the training. Seconded by Sharp, the motion carried unanimously.

Charlene Kerr and Linda Hall explained the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Program, which offers tax abatement for commercial or industrial renovation, expansion or new construction. It would cost approximately \$4,000.00 to set up, which could come from the County Commissioners Revolving Loan Fund if approved by the State. Barnes moved to go ahead and form a CRA if the \$4,000.00 comes available from the Commissioners. Seconded by Brann, the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VANDERSALL: Vandersall moved to hire Laurie Heestand to continue cleaning the Village Police Station and Town Hall for \$35.00 per week. Seconded by Sharp, the motion carried unanimously.

The Personnel Committee still has some work to do on the Wage Ordinance.

SHARP: Since the Recreation District Levy failed, Ellen Walston will ask the Township to put it on the ballot again next year for 1 mill instead of 1.5 mills. The Township is under the impression that if the levy failed, the Joint Recreation District would be dissolved but Sharp couldn't find that in the Ordinance. Since there will be no extra operating funds next year, Beth Downey asked if the town would be willing to give \$10,000.00 to the pool. She also wants to know how serious the town is about taking over the ownership of the pool. It is still owned by the Community Pool Corp. who wants to dissolve the Corporation and terminate the lease. If the levy would pass, it would be owned by the Joint Recreation District.

Has an application from Penta Career Center on plans for building a new gazebo. They want to know our requirements, etc.

WEGMAN: Asked Larry Bockbrader to remove his name from the list of veterans that was in the paper under the Sheriff's Department as he is not a veteran.

At 8:57 p.m. Sharp moved to go into executive session to discuss property. Seconded by Vandersall, the motion carried unanimously.

Council reconvened at 9:29 p.m.

Sharp moved to go ahead and purchase the "Old Ford Garage", borrowing the money on a one-year note from where we find the best rate. Seconded by Brann, the motion carried unanimously.

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As there was no further business to be brought before Council at this time, Vandersall moved, seconded by Sharp, to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor

Clerk