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Lithopolis Village Council Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2010 @ 7:50pm

Council Members Present: Daily, Hush, Kidwell, Long, Simon

Council Members Absent: Bigler

Present: Eric Sandine – Mayor, Jon Browning- Solicitor, Jacinta Seagraves- Fiscal Officer Ed Van Vickle - Village Administrator, Chief Barton- Police.

Mayor Sandine called the meeting to order; led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and asked for a moment of silence for the US Armed Forces.

Minutes

Minutes from December Regular Meeting reviewed.

Motion to accept Minutes from Dec. 22nd as presented by Long

Seconded by Simon

Ayes: Daily, Hush, Kidwell, Long, Simon

Nays: None

Public Comments

Jon Meuser, a village resident, complimented the workmanship on the bank along the creek in front of his house. Mr. Meuser stated that the road section where the village repaired a water main break is getting worse. The Mayor said it will be fixed in the spring. Mr. Meuser went on to say that he lives in the village approximately 2 months out of the year and is being forced to pay for trash service even when it is not being used. The village explained that the only way trash charges could be suspended is to shut the water off at the curb. As long as there is no water usage the trash can be suspended. Mr. Meuser said he can't have the water turned off for various reasons. He suggested monitoring the usage to ensure there is no one living at the residence. The Mayor said the administration will create a couple of options to consider and bring them back to a future Council meeting, but that it would have to be part of the Water/Sewer Ordinance.
(Long left at 8:03)

Reports from officers

Mayor

Mayor Sandine asks to set a date to meet with Regional Planning for the first Zoning Code Update Meeting. Council agrees to January 26, 2010 at 6:00pm. The regular council meeting will take place immediately following.

Hush asked if the grant request to OPWC is denied will they explain why. Mayor Sandine explained that the process of selecting what entity will receive grant money is done by a point system. By our calculations the village should be within the points needed.

Village Administrator

Ed Van Vickle welcomes new council members and informs them of how things work in the village as to be prepared for any questions they might receive from residents. Ed requests to schedule a Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting on Tues. February 9, 2010 at 7:00pm with the regular Council Meeting immediately

following. Council agrees. Ed states that if the village does receive the grant from OPWC the actual funds will be received around July 1, 2010.

Police Chief

Chief Barton welcomes new Council Members. He explains in detail the Activity Report for January 2010.

The Mayor points out to Council the number of hours spent on Mutual Aid in 2009. By law the Village should be reimbursed by the Sherriff's Office for these hours but have not. If the Township requests our assistance we will respond. The Village proposed to the Township that we join forces and share the police dept. however the Township declined the proposal.

(Long returned 8:54pm)

Kidwell asked if the proposal will be revisited. Mayor Sandine said if the Township would like to revisit the issue the Village would be willing to, but they would have to initiate it.

Chief Barton informed council that he may be off duty for approximately 3 months due to shoulder surgery from a non-work injury.

Fiscal Officer

We are still working with the Auditors and LGS on the UAN conversion and 07/08 audit.

New Business

The Mayor presented a Resolution for Solid Waste State Wide Regulations. Hush asked why fees for dumping are higher in state than out of state. Mayor Sandine explains that the landfills are trying to encourage out of state waste companies to dump at Ohio landfills in an attempt to meet funding shortfalls.

Motion to approve Resolution 01-10 by Hush

Seconded by Daily

Ayes – Daily, Kidwell, Hush, Simon, Long

Council Round Robin

Kidwell – requests a copy of the 2010 Budget.

Simon – Comments that the roads look very good.

Executive session

There being no further public business a motion to adjourn by Simon

Seconded by Hush

Ayes: Daily, Kidwell, Hush, Simon, Long

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned 9:06pm