

## Council Minutes

August 20, 2018

Council Members in attendance: Council President Sue Schroeder, Rick Recker, Al Pingle, Dave Heitmeyer, Sue Christman, and Brian Reynolds. Mayor Kevin Benton, Village Administrator Justin Barnhart, Fiscal Officer/Tax Administrator Renee Spangler, Village Solicitor Barry Schroeder, Police Chief Dennis Cupp, Police Officer Robert Fitzgerald, Steven Coburn Griffith from the Putnam County Sentinel, Kyle Stechschulte, BJ Slusser and Greg Recker from Kalida Truck, and Ryan Weaver from Reineke Ford.

Mayor Kevin Benton called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the August 6, 2018 meeting and accept them as written was made Sue Schroeder and this motion was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

Streets, Sidewalks and Buildings Committee met prior to council chairman Al Pingle said we will continue with our existing plan for street paving. Al Pingle said the committee talked researching modern strategies for flexible pavement management and researching a project called rejuvenator to start spraying on new streets and make them last longer.

Mr. Barnhart let council know that Leo Ellerbrock was present to answer any questions council may have on the possible purchase of the F550 ton and a half dump truck with a stainless-steel bed. Reineke Ford and Kalida Truck were also present to answer questions. This is a more versatile model that is being requested by employees. It will have a plow and salt spreader for winter operations. To ensure delivery by winter action is needed now. Mr. Barnhart told council that he had also gotten a quote in from Henderson and it came in \$2800.00 less than the Reineke and Kalida Truck. Leo Ellerbrock told council with the V-plow you can scoop and go sideways and scrape. Mr. Ellerbrock said they currently have a 2001, 1991, 1986 dump trucks, we are just trying to update our trucks. Al Pingle asked if there's anything wrong with the 1991 truck Leo said no but they have been putting new parts on it. Mr. Pingle said so we have 2 good dump trucks, Mr. Ellerbrock said yes. Rick Recker asked Leo when we get rid of the one back hoe we will need this dump truck to help plow on the downtown a little quicker. Mr. Ellerbrock said we are looking at using the F250 for that. He also said it could be used for cleaning the downtown, but it would most likely be used for the streets like the other dump truck was used for. Rick Recker asked if Reineke or Kalida Truck has anything more to say about the truck. Mr. Slusser said on the Henderson truck did they give a lead time on the truck, because Mr. Slusser said he has told Justin before that if this is a truck that we want to pursue before the plowing season it's almost a truck you must buy. If you want to order a truck your about twenty weeks out just to get a truck in right now. He said timing is key if you're in the market. Mayor Benton asked what happens when the truck breaks down and its in the middle of a snow storm, what do you guys do for us, would you send us a loaner. Kalida Truck said they carry all parts and Mr. Slusser said if it's snowing we are working. Rick Recker made a motion to approve the purchase of the F550 and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman No, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle No, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea. With it being a tie Mayor Benton broke the tie vote with a yea.

Kyle Stechschulte was present to discuss plans for Main Street USA. Mr. Stechschulte said there will be a car show, pie contest, cornhole competition, water ball, zipline, Fireworks, Chicken Wing Contest, and the band this year is Nick Lynch. Mr. Stechschulte asked council if the Village would pay the Village police Department their regular contract wages for while the officers are working at the event. Sue Christman made a motion to pay the

Village police their regular contract wages while working at the event and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea. Mr. Stechschulte also asked council if they could use water from the fire hydrant for the water ball. Rick Recker made a motion to allow the use of the fire hydrant for the water ball and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

RESOLUTION 3041: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED. Was read for the second time.

RESOLUTION 3044: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSAL FROM AMERESCO, INC. TO SERVE AS A CONSULTANT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BLANCHARD RIVER PUMP STATION AND AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SEEK ENGINEERING ADVISE AS IT RELATES TO ALTERNATIVE ENERGY USE AT THE SITE. Was read for the second time.

RESOLUTION 3045: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. Was read for the first time.

Justin Barnhart told council that the Leipsic School is requesting the use of Village bleachers at Bennett Park for overflow at the football field. This would specifically be to accommodate the band that has grown by more than twenty players. Rick made the motion to allow the school to use the villages bleachers and Dave Heitmeyer seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

The next council meeting is on September 3, 2018 which is on Labor Day Mr. Barnhart asked council if they want to keep the meeting on this date or change it to September 4, 2018. Rick Recker made a motion to move the next council meeting to September 4, 2018 and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds absent, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

Council was given information from Tony Schroeder regarding potential improvements for lift station operations.

RESOLUTION 3046: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM POGGEMEYER DESIGN GROUP TO SERVE AS THE ENGINEER DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE THE BLANCHARD RIVER PUMP STATION AND RAW WATERLINE AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO COMPENSATE THEM FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION MANGEMENT FOR THE PROJECT. Was read for the first time.

Mr. Barnhart told council that there is a property owner on Broadway St. that will most likely be coming before the Nuisance review board. The property is need of cleaning up. Mr. Barnhart said the resident is now living in an apartment uptown. But hasn't transferred the trash service uptown and is continuing to bring there trash out the Broadway St. property. The local trash service has confirmed that she hasn't paid the trash bill with them. Mr. Barnhart was going to have Tony and Russ clean it up today and take it off site but by the time he got everything confirmed he decided just to take everything up to council. Justin asked council about getting our guys to remove that trash that has been there for three weeks. Mayor Benton asked instead having our employees pick up the trash why don't we have the local trash service go clean it up and send us a bill. Al Pingle asked why we must pay the bill. Rick Recker said if we don't clean it up they aren't going to do

it. Justin said they abandoned the property on their own. Justin said he could have Scott the Police officer on duty go and talk to the property owner. Mayor Benton said if they want to file a complaint.

Evan Ellerbrock and Cash Hook were both hired for summer help this year. Mr. Barnhart said they both are in the position of where they could be working half days during the school year. But Cash didn't have an interest of doing that, but Evan Ellerbrock did. Mr. Barnhart just wanted to bring this to council and he plans on having Evan Ellerbrock at the next council meeting.

Justin Barnhart said August 29<sup>th</sup> will be a staff thank you event at Sue Christman's House starting at 4:00P.M.

Fiscal Officer Renee Spangler stated that the Records committee needs to meet either before or after the next meeting of council.

Sue Christman asked about Mark Straley's property. Mayor Benton said Rick Moyer is working on cleaning out the house.

At 8:15P.M. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to go into executive session to discuss purchase or sale of land, personnel matter or a public utility expansion for the purpose of economic development. Brian Reynolds seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

At 8:37P.M. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion come out of executive session and Brian Reynolds seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder absent.

Solicitor Barry Schroeder told council with the vote on the F550 was a tie vote with the Mayor breaking the tie. Barry said since this isn't a direct resolution and when it's a resolution or ordinance it would need to be majority of council voting with a three, three no matter who was sitting here. He said as it relates to the purchase he wasn't sure. So, since it wasn't formatted as a resolution, he stated he will do more research to find out if a Resolution was needed for this purchase. He said he doesn't feel a revote can be done it is what it is, the vote may or may not be valid. He said he needs to check if the spending limits of those funds constituted a need for a Resolution or just an authorization of expenditure of funds. He said he would have an answer to that by 8:00A.M. tomorrow morning. That way we can inform the press if it ends up being a no vote.

With no further business to come before the council, a motion for adjournment was made by Dave Heitmeyer and seconded by Brian Reynolds. Roll call, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea. Meeting adjourned at 8:58P.M. The next council meeting will be September 4, 2018 at 7:30 P.M

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_