

Council Minutes

November 5, 2018

Council Members in attendance: Council President Sue Schroeder, Rick Recker, Al Pingle, Dave Heitmeyer, Sue Christman, and Brian Reynolds. Village Administrator Justin Barnhart, Fiscal Officer/Tax Administrator Renee Spangler, Solicitor Barry Schroeder, Neil Goodwin, Kyle Stechschulte, Adam Cupp, Keith and Vanity Ellerbrock. Mayor Kevin Benton was absent.

Acting Mayor Sue Schroeder called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Al Pingle made a motion to appoint Dave Heitmeyer as Acting Council President and Sue Christman seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the October 15, 2018 meeting and accept them was made by Rick Recker and this motion was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea.

Property Review Board, Sue Christman said they met, and they are working on something for the Blighted Properties for the buildings that burnt down, and they spoke with Rick the building owner. Mrs. Christman said they would bring it up at the next meeting to decide whether to make it a blighted property or not.

Utilities Committee met prior to the council meeting, Chairman Brian Reynolds said the committee was reviewing the water and sewer rates for residential and commercial.

Adam Cupp was present and discussed with council the renewal of the group health insurance program, with the renewal being January 1st. He said the anthem group health insurance that we currently maintain came back with a slightly lower rate than we are currently. But the actual renewal for the Village is slightly higher since there are more people being added to the plan. Adam also discussed a few other plans with council that we less expensive on the premium side, but these plans would also take us out of the grand mothered plan we are currently in. Once you leave a grandmother plan you cannot go back. Mr. Cupp said he has gone back to Anthem to see if our rate could be dropped down anymore since our group has been healthy for the last few years, but he hasn't heard anything back.

Kyle Stechschulte was present to ask council about having the Fireman's Convention here in Leipsic. He said it would be Father's Day Weekend June 13-15. He said they would like to mainly keep it down in the St. Mary's Social area. He said the Convention would start on Friday and there would be a water ball competition and looking to hold that possibly somewhere in the St. Mary's area. There would also be a queen competition which the Community Center said that could be held down there. There is also the Friday night cruise night, this is when the different fire departments cruise around town in the fire trucks with their lights and sirens on. Mr. Stechschulte said they have contacted St. Mary's Church since it is Social weekend for them, but he said the Fire Department would like to partner up with them and let them benefit from this while taking some of the burden off the firemen. He said there is also a Parade and the lineup stretches for blocks. He said the big part is camping, we have the potential of bringing a lot of people in for the weekend. Dave Heitmeyer asked would it be primitive camping. Kyle said ideas were tossed around about using electric for some of the spots but most of the camping spots would be primitive.

Al Pingle asked where the camping would be at, Kyle said they were looking at the parking lots at Bennett Park or down the side well drive. Mr. Pingle asked are these camp sites aloud camp fires, Kyle said that would be up to council. Mr. Pingle is concerned about how big of a mess that would be, Kyle said they have been in contact with people that have burn barrels that could be used to contain these campfires. Ottawa, McComb and Miller City have all expressed interest in helping if help is needed. Mr. Heitmeyer suggests if we are having primitive camping then we do it on the South side of the villages building out there and cut that grass down real low. AL Pingle and Dave Heitmeyer agreed they don't want the camping on the parking lot. Brian Reynolds said we should set up a dump site for these people to dump their campers at and this would then need to be monitored by one of The Villages employees. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to allow the hosting of the Fireman's Convention and Sue Christman seconded the motion. Rick Recker abstained, Alan Pingle yea, Brian Reynolds abstained, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea.

ORDINANCE 3057: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2946 ESTABLISHING RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE WASTEWATER SERVICE FOR THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC. Was read for the first time.

ORDINANCE 3058: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2945 ESTABLISHING RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER SERVICE FOR THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC, OHIO AND DETERMINING TAP FEES FOR NEW WATER SERVICE. Was read for the first time.

Establishing a Fee for a Zoning Amendment, Mr. Barnhart said he had a resident on Broadway St. near the rail road tracks, wanting to change a zoning that is in a R1-3 area to a mobile home residential area. There are no fees to do this because there are newspaper items that need to be ran, he said it looks like years ago they charged \$15.00 for that, it will need to be in the paper at least one time and there will be other cost. Mr. Barnhart is recommending a fee of \$100.00. Brian Reynolds made a motion to set a \$100.00 fee for zoning changes and Dave Heitmeyer seconded the motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea.

ORDINANCE 3059: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3009 AS THE EIGHTTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE 2018 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Was read for the first time.

Dave Heitmeyer asked about the Badertchers building and the Warren's house. Justin said he can get the ball rolling on these properties to make them blighted properties.

Leaf Pickup will begin November 5, 2018. Pick up days are as follows west side of the CSX Railroad pick up days are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. East side of the tracks is Thursday and Friday.

At 8:29P.M. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a potential litigation and Brian Reynolds seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea.

At 8:43P.M. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion come out of executive session and Brian Reynolds seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea.

Barry Schroeder told Keith and Vanity Schroeder that the paperwork that he drew up and the Ellerbrocks were in aggreance with it, that Mr. Schroeder went over it with Council but there will be one minor adjustment. That being the levels that will be looked at will be with the tap itself, because who knows what will happen with that well. He said in six months when they go to look at it, he wants it to be at the tap not at the well. Vanity asked who would be responsible for the six months reevaluation test and who would be responsible for paying for that. Barry said that would be the Village of Leipsic's. Brian Reynolds made a motion to accept the agreement that Barry Schroeder wrote up with the new changes and to pay the six-month reevaluation test and Sue Christman seconded the

motion. Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea.

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 on the motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea. Meeting adjourned at 8:47P.M. The next council meeting will be November 19, 2018 at 7:30 P.M

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ATTEST: _____