

Council Minutes

October 1, 2018

Council Members in attendance: Council President Sue Schroeder, Rick Recker, Al Pingle, Sue Christman, and Brian Reynolds. Mayor Kevin Benton, Village Administrator Justin Barnhart, Fiscal Officer/Tax Administrator Renee Spangler, Solicitor Barry Schroeder, Paulette Mills from Poggemeyer Design Group, Dave Miller and Sam Walther. Dave Heitmeyer was absent.

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 September 17, 2018 meeting and the Special Meeting from September 27, 2018 and accept them was made by Brian Reynolds and this motion was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on this motion, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer absent.

Streets, Sidewalks, and Buildings Committee- Chairman Al Pingle said hopefully at the next meeting they are going to start doing some resolution for the standards of the sidewalks.

Paulette Mills from Poggemeyer Design Group was present, and she presented council with two CDBG programs, the first being a critical infrastructure project, one single project, with grant funding up to \$500,000.00. This could be a waterline that breaks frequently or a sewer line that breaks, a road that needs to be rebuilt. The applications would be through the county and currently there are no critical infrastructure projects that have been awarded here. The county can only have two going on a time. There is a local match of 10% of the amount that is applied for. The other program is neighborhood revitalization up to \$500,000.00 this one the public participation is what matters. A community survey is mailed out and hope to get a 30% response. Projects for this could be Streets, Sidewalks, Parks, Fire Department, Accessibility to public buildings. The NRG you can only apply once every two years. But critical structure you can apply for anytime during the year if there's an open spot. Applications for Putnam county go in about June 2019, so if it's something we are interested in then we need to talk to the commissioners and let them know the intention to apply, and make sure you have their support because they will be the ones that will be passing the application onto the state of Ohio. When the contracts come back the commissioners hold the contracts. Brian Reynolds asked what is needed from council. She said to get a list of ideas that council has for projects, but it isn't just up to council the public process is very important. She said Justin and herself can go talk to the commissioners and say something to them. She said we can start emailing out that community survey like now. She said she would like to mail the survey in November or at the latest the very first week of January. Critical Infrastructure Paulette said if council wants to give some ideas that Paulette can bring up to our rep to see what he thinks. Some things that have been funded in the past were waterlines, some roads, bridge that's rated poor, fire stations. Justin said he can get a list to council and then we will go from there. Mayor Benton told the council members to give their ideas to Justin, so he can get a list around for us.

Dave Miller and Sam Walther were present at council tonight to see about getting some property from the Village of Leipsic that goes from the Lime Pits to the Railroad tracks to the stone parking lot. They would like to obtain this land, so they can put a propane tank in for a propane bus, Mr. Benton asked how many propane buses they have. Mr. Miller said currently two and going to be purchasing another one. Mr. Benton asked are the propane buses beneficial, Mr. Miller said if they can but the propane in bulk. MR. Benton asked how big of a tank are we talking about, Dave Miller said 12,000 gallons it's a semi load. Mr. Benton asked if they have any fears of the railroad derailing, Al Pingle

asked does the railroad have any restrictions, Mr. Benton said no. Sam Walther said we have a set amount of property lines that we must keep at. Justin said where the lime pits are there is a fence and there's a parking lot so it's the distance between the fence and the parking lot, we aren't currently using it, we only use it for access into the lime pits which we have been working on making easier access from either side. Rick Recker asked how close to the fence are you talking and is there still going to be a way for The Village to get into the lime pits. Sam Walther said The Village has two openings on the fence, so we haven't set any place yet at this point until we talked to you, but whatever access we have we could let you in. Mayor Benton asked what the square footage is that they are asking for, Sam said they are asking for the small piece between the lime pits and the stone drive way and then the larger 1.9 acres lot. Dave Miller said they only that is critical to them is the piece of land between the lime pits and the stone driveway. Rick Recker asked so the 1.9 acres lot is this where you want to put the bus barn, Sam replied no, the bus barn will go on the stone lot. He said they are looking to expand their practice facilities and give more space for the kids to be on the playground. Brian Reynolds said he doesn't see a use for the 1.9 acres since it is land locked by the school. Justin Barnhart said Kevin Lammon had a plan for a third lime lagoon so in the immediate time frame there is no chance for that at all, if we keep using the existing plant we have there could be a reason for it, but the lime lagoons aren't in a fantastic place anyways. Rick Recker asked if 10 years down the road we switch water plants do they still use lime for surface water. If we remodel our current plant to surface water since its already set up for lime filtration we would probably keep using it because it is a process. Mayor Benton asked how council felt about deeding the small are a land plus the 1.9 acres, Brian Reynolds made a motion to resection the property from the lime lagoons fence to the parking lot and deed this property along with the 1.9 acres to the Port authority with the plan of the land to go to the school and Sue Christman seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea. Rick Recker asked if the school would pay for the surveying bill Dave Miller said yeah.

RESOLUTION 3050: A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A WAGE INCREASE FOR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC, PUTNAM COUNTY, OHIO. Was read for the third time. A motion was made by Brian Reynolds to accept Resolution 3050 and this was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

ORDINANCE 3049: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2064 TO ESTABLISH THREE PART-TIME POSITIONS IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. This wasn't read for the third time we were short for a vote.

ORDINANCE 3051: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROERTY DECLARED AS SURPLUS THROUGH INTERNET AUCTION. A motion was made by Sue Christman to accept Resolution 3051 and this was seconded by Sue Schroeder. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

RESOLUTION 3053: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC FISCAL OFFICER TO CREATE A THEN AND NOW PURCHASE ORDER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Was read for the second time.

RESOLUTION 3054: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE WAGE OF AN EMPLOYEE OF THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC, PUTNAM COUNTY, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Was read for the first time. A motion to suspend the rules and read Resolution 3054 for the second and third time tonight was made by Sue Schroeder and seconded by Rick Recker. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker abstained, Sue Schroeder yea. Resolution 3054 was read for the second and third time. A motion was made by Sue Schroeder to accept Resolution 3054 and this was seconded by Brian Reynolds. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker abstained, Sue Schroeder yea.

ORDINANCE 3055: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3009 AS THE SEVENTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE 2018 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Was read for the first time. A motion to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 3055 for the second and third time tonight was made by Rick Recker and seconded by Sue Schroeder. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea. Ordinance 3055 was read for the second and third time. A motion was made by Sue Schroeder to accept Ordinance 3055 and this was seconded by Brian Reynolds. Roll call on this motion, Dave Heitmeyer absent, Sue Christman yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Al Pingle yea, Rick Recker yea, Sue Schroeder yea.

Justin told council he has been working on a survey that he wants to send out but before he does he wanted to talk to council. The biggest reason for this survey is two years ago the design review board asked Justin to get a survey around to determine if there was an interest to seek grant funds for the downtown. He said we would still be two years out because the money we would go for is the CDBG money and Paulette doesn't feel confident. Justin said if we did get huge support for it then that would tell him there would be matching funds and then he would probably push the issue further, because there is no reason you can't apply for both of those and get both. Mr. Barnhart did say there is an entrepreneur in town with interest of putting a daycare center intown.

Mayor Benton said he went and spoke with Justin about the Disciplinary Plan the Council had drawn up, Mayor Benton said he is going to try in come in more often to talk with Justin and he suggest that maybe once a month having Justin have a meeting with the Personal Committee.

Al Pingle asked if Kirk Brother is still behind schedule, Justin replied yes. Al asked if they have a catch-up plan. Justin said they have made up a week since a month ago and they had a lot of rain here. Mr. Barnhart said there catch up plan is in change orders, one of which is they need two weeks extra over the deadline and this hasn't been approved. The things that have been approved are within their \$50,000.00 contingency on change orders and these were mistakes that Poggemeyer's made.

Budget Work Session will be October 22, 2018 @ 7:00P.M. this for all council members and the Mayor.

At 8:30P.M. Brian Reynolds made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a contract matters and potential litigation. Rick Recker seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer absent.

At 8:51P.M. Rick Recker made a motion come out of executive session and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer absent.

With no further business to come before the council, a motion for adjournment was made by Brian Reynolds and seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on the motion Rick Recker yea, Alan Pingle yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Brian Reynolds yea, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:52P.M. The next council meeting will be October 15, 2018 at 7:30 P.M

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ATTEST: _____