

## ***RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS:***

Council called to order by Mayor Amy Joseph on  
Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 7:30 pm at the Rockford Village Hall.

Invocation was given by Gene Steiner

Pledge of Allegiance

Those present: Gehle, Steiner, McKee, Pontsler, Heitkamp.  
Searight - absent

Also attending: Sergeant Stetler, Judy Koesters, Janie Southard

Motion Steiner. Second Gehle to accept Agenda as Orders of the Day.  
Pontsler called for the question. Steiner = y, Gehle = y, Pontsler = y,  
McKee = y, Heitkamp = y. Passed 5 yes.

Motion: Gehle. Second Heitkamp to accept the minutes from the  
February 16, 2010 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. McKee called for the  
question. Gehle = y, Heitkamp = y, McKee = y, Steiner = y, Pontsler = y.  
Passed 5 yes.

### **Visitors to Address Council:**

### **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:**

Letter from Robert Latta – Member of Congress:

It is a great privilege for me, as your Congressman, to represent the Fifth  
Congressional District of Ohio. In an effort to be accessible, I am inviting Mercer  
County Elected Officials to join me for an Elected Officials Forum. The forum  
will be held on Monday, March 8, 2010 from 9 am to 10 am at the following  
location:

Mercer County Central Service Building  
220 West Livingston Street, Room A212  
Celina, OH 45882

The purpose of this forum is to allow an informal discussion of federal  
government issues of concern to you. As you representative in Congress, it is  
important for me to learn of these matters so that I may keep them in mind as  
legislation progresses through the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Please RSVP to my Defiance office at 419-782-1996 by Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>  
whether or not you can attend. I hope that you are able to join me.

## **Village Administrator's Report – Jeff Long - absent**

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Finance Committee – Todd McKee**

Motion Steiner, Second Pontsler to pay bills as submitted by the Fiscal Officer in the amount of \$13,626.01 (majority of bills include bulk salt, Fanning Howey ARRA funds, ) Gehle called for the question. Steiner = y, Pontsler = y, Gehle = y, McKee = y, Heitkamp = y, Passed 5 yes.

Motion Pontsler. Second Heitkamp to accept the Mayors Court pay in of \$1091.50. Gehle called for the question. Pontsler = y, Heitkamp = y, Gehle = y, Steiner = y, McKee = y. Passed 5 yes.

Finance Meeting was held on Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm. Reviewed budget process. Total deposits for 2010 are up \$2007.18 compared to 2009. Tax deposits are down \$1394.57. Will have another budget meeting after the first quarter to review expenses as well as revenue.

#### **Service Committee: Steve Gehle**

Service Meeting held on Tuesday – February 16<sup>th</sup> after Council meeting. Discussed sidewalks from Community Building down Holly Lane. Need to get with Jeff to discuss plan for sidewalks in rest of the Village.

Clean up Day will be May 8<sup>th</sup> from 8 am – 12:00 noon. This year we will be banning construction materials as well as paint and tires.

Need to get update on Trailer Park and help it get moving in a positive direction.

Tree committee doing good.

Park Board discussing putting up a permanent pavilion and new concrete. Also need to talk to them regarding putting up signs with park rules.

#### **Safety Committee: Ron Searight - absent**

#### **Economic Development Committee: Eugene Steiner**

Economic meeting held on February 22 at 7 pm. Discussed the Public Meeting that will take place on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Community Building. Information was placed on the March water bills. Mayor Joseph, Chief May and

Jeff will be speaking. We will be inviting someone from the Mercer County Economic Development office to attend and give a short presentation. The RADC and the Pool Committee will also be given an opportunity to speak.

We need to develop pride in our Community and find our uniqueness. Will look into development of wetlands for area schools to study.

After Community meeting we will be making assignments to visit our present retailers and manufacturing.

RADC will meet on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

**Public Utilities Committee: Greg Pontsler**

Fanning Howey has submitted 3 designs for the wastewater treatment plant, but no costs yet. They are to contact Jeff yet this week.

Public Utilities committee meeting scheduled for Monday – March 8<sup>th</sup> 7 pm. To review designs and costs.

**Rules Committee: Chris Heitkamp**

Rules meeting held on Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8 pm. Discussed prohibiting of farm animals in the Village. Rabbits are to be excluded from this Ordinance. Jeff to prepare ordinance for next meeting.

**Old Business**

**New Business:**

Elected Officials or designee must take 3 hours of public records training per term in office. Next local training: March 18<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 12:15 pm. Wright State University, Lake Campus Auditorium.

Motion McKee. Second Pontsler to make Lisa the designee for all officials. Gehle called for the question. McKee = y, Pontsler = y, Gehle = y, Steiner = y, Heitkamp = y. Passed 5 yes.

Meeting adjourned 7:44 pm.

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer