

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS:

Council called to order by Mayor Amy Joseph on
Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the Rockford Village Hall.

Invocation was given by Gene Steiner

Pledge of Allegiance

Those present: Steiner, McKee, Searight, Pontsler, Rutledge.
Gehle – absent. Also attending: Jeff Long, Judy Koesters, Chief May,
Janie Southard

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

Motion: Searight. Second Rutledge to accept the minutes from the
August 18, 2009 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Pontsler called for the
question. Searight = y, Rutledge = y, Pontsler = y, Steiner = y, McKee = y.
Passed 5 yes.

Visitors to Address Council:

Mayor's Report and Correspondence:

Approval to hire Gary Saunders part-time to fill in while Andrew Stahl is on
Military leave.

Motion: McKee, Second Rutledge, Pontsler called for the question.
McKee = y, Rutledge = y, Pontsler = y, Steiner = y, Searight = y.
Passed 5 yes.

Village Administrator's Report – Jeff Long

Work started on the Water Plant and well fields today.

Have started pavement repair. Purchased a new roller and works great.

State 118 bridge detour. Why close bridge? Have contacted the State. They have
stated that emergency personnel and fire department will be able to go through.

They also stated they would be storing equipment on the bridge. Jeff will contact the Project Engineer personally and ask if they can store equipment in the area north of the bridge – this hopefully will eliminate the need to close the bridge.

There will be a meeting regarding the Wastewater Treatment Plant between Fanning/Howey and Fremont at the Village Hall on Wednesday at 1 pm. Want to make sure we have the needs of the Village and also of Fremont covered in plans.

Have talked with Terra Henkle our liability agent discussing safety training. They may be able to help pay for some of the training. This will help us meet some insurance requirements and lower our costs.

Need to check when the street lights will be here – should have been around August 15th. Also have contacted Shelly Co. to come back to clean up curbs.

Will need to get a quote to paint parking stripes.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: Todd McKee

Motion Searight. Second Pontsler to pay the bills in the amount of \$10,987.25 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Steiner called for the question. Searight = y, Pontsler = y, Steiner = y, McKee = y, Rutledge = y. Passed 5 yes.

Motion Pontsler to accept Mayor's Court pay in of \$661.00. Second Searight. McKee called for the question. Pontsler = y, Searight = y, McKee = y, Steiner =y, Rutledge = y. Passed 5 yes.

Next Finance Committee meeting – Tuesday, September 8th at 7 pm.

ORDINANCE 02-09 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR DELINQUENT WATER BILLS.

First reading – 08/04/09
Second reading – 08/18/09
Third reading – 09/01/09

Motion Steiner. Second Pontsler to approve Ordinance 02-09. Searight called for the question. Steiner = y, Pontsler = y, Searight =y, McKee = y, Rutledge = y. Passed 5 yes.

Service Committee: Steve Gehle – absent

- **ORDINANCE 05-09
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #03-18-03 OF THE
VILLAGE OF ROCKFORD, OHIO PERTAINING TO JUNK MOTOR
VEHICLES, AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

First reading – 09/01/09

Safety Committee: Kathy Rutledge

Economic Development Committee: Eugene Steiner

Met with Frankie Jo's. Sat down and had some discussion regarding their business. They have some concerns. Reviewed some of their future plans.

Next Economic Development Committee – Tuesday, September 8th, 7:30 pm.

Public Utilities Committee: Greg Pontsler

- **ORDINANCE #03-09
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 50.05 NON-PAYMENT
PENALTIES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 50,
PERTAINING TO THE CHARGES FOR WATER AND WATER
SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE OF ROCKFORD,
REPEALING ANY CONFLICTING LEGISLATION, AND
DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

First reading – 09/01/09

Will be scheduling a Public Utilities Committee meeting in the next week or so.

Rules Committee: Ron Searight

The Rules Committee had a meeting on 08/25/09. Discussed and recommended to change the Employee Handbook Residency Requirements.

*** RESOLUTION #16-09
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR
VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.**

Motion McKee, Second Pontsler to approve Resolution #16-09. Steiner called for the question. McKee = y, Pontsler = y, Steiner = y, Searight = y, Rutledge = y. Passed 5 yes.

Also discussed Chief May's request to enforce the Ohio Basic Code regarding "Animals at Large". Basically states that animals caught and housed will incur charges at the owner's expense. All Council approves.

Need to update the chain of command, revisions, and index in Employee Handbook.

Old Business

Lights in front of Village have been installed.

New Business:

New contractors working in the Village should be reported to the Fiscal Officer.

Meeting adjourned 7:58 pm.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer