

REGULAR COUNCIL

MAY 18, 2004

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Craig Moser with Teri Eiermann, Bob Matson, Chuck Klamer, Jeff Kaiser, Karen Clyde, Clerk Nancy Baldwin, Solicitor Mark Manlove, Judy Bisard, Nelson Bisard, Sandy Perdian, Ed Perdian, Carolynn Sendry, Rick Patrick, Brian Wilke, Frank Nedelka, Jerry Kehoe, Charlie Abraham, Jim Heisler, Paula Heisler, Hallie Higgins, Connie Knop, Helen Danku, Barb Walker, Sandie Layer, Sandy Kreisman, Delma Mishler, Jan Boehm, Jody Schroath from the Villager, a reporter from Record Courier and other interested visitors. (Dave Kirk absent).

Moved by Matson, seconded by Klamer to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Council meeting on April 14, 2004 as presented by the Clerk.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Clyde, seconded by Kaiser to pay the bills.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Frank Nedelka was present to discuss part of his property from R-1 to C-2. Council said that they would have to refer his request to Planning Commission.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Clyde to refer changing the zoning of part of Frank Nedelka's property from R-1 to C-2 to the Planning Commission.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Sandy Kreisman was present to discuss the neon lights on Main Street. Sandy Kreisman told Council that neon lights take away from the historic integrity of the street and that this could jeopardize the Village's historical status. Sandy asked why Planning Commission had disregarded the Design Review Boards recommendation not to have neon lights in the Historical District. President Bob Matson said the Planning Commission is a different entity and it is not bound by the Design Review Boards recommendations. Council will do what it thinks is best. Sandy Kresiman said we will lose our Historic District status Mark Manlove said that the Village had zoned the district not the State or Federal Government. Sandy said that if you allow neon lights this will hurt the Village Historic standing. Solicitor Mark Manlove will research this. There was a lengthy discussion from members of the Historical Society the discussion was closed and the Ordinance will have three readings before the vote by Council.

Charlie Abraham discussed the skateboard equipment funding. He challenged the Chamber of Commerce to meet his donation of \$2000.00 to purchase equipment Chamber agreed. He told Council the total equipment cost was \$6075.00 and he asked Council for money to pay the balance of \$2075.00. President Bob Matson said that Council had agreed to pay for the insurance and for the gate. Karen Clyde told Council that Income Tax revenue was down \$50,000.00 compared to last year. If they are coming back for more I say we don't do it now. Chuck Klamer asked Barb Walker how long the equipment would quench the thirst of the skateboarders? Barb Walker said the equipment was for the advanced skaters. Charlie Abraham said that we need to do this for the kids. Matt Jordan offered to donate \$500.00 to purchase equipment. This reduced the Village share to \$1575.00. President Bob Matson asked Teri Eiermann if this would be the last time they would approach Council for money. If you are planning on coming back I don't

agree if you tell me this is the last time then I don't have a problem. All other equipment purchases will be done with fundraisers.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Kaiser to approve \$1575.00 for the purchase of skateboard equipment.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mayor Craig Moser thanked everyone who donated to purchase equipment for the skateboard park.

Ordinance 2004-17, An ordinance adding Section 1169.02(b)(11) and Sections 1169.06-1169.08 to the Codified Ordinances of the Village Garrettsville to permit Open Space Development in the R-1 District. Read on second reading. (Revised)

Karen Clyde asked why the change in cluster housing? If you have water and sewer the lot size in the Open Space can be changed to ½ acre lots. Karen said she would attend the Planning Commission meeting to discuss some issues with the Ordinance.

Ordinance 2004-22, An ordinance amending Appendix C.3 (h) (II) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Garrettsville in order to permit illuminated signs in limited circumstances. Read on first reading.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Eiermann to approve Resolution 2004-23, A resolution authorizing the Clerk/Treasurer to advertise for sale various equipment that the Village no longer has any use for.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mayor Craig Moser read the bid that was received for the 1993 Chevrolet Lumina Van. One bid was received for \$600.00.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Clyde to approve the bid from Joseph Neal in the amount of \$600.00 for the 1993 Chevrolet Lumina Van.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Clyde to approve Resolution 2004-24, A resolution authorizing the Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Garrettsville to advertise for sale various equipment the Village no longer has any use for.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

There was discussion on the contract for the Portage County Dog Warden. Solicitor Mark Manlove will have this for the June meeting.

President Bob Matson discussed the Tax Incentive Review Council meeting minutes and recommended that Council approve the minutes and recommendations.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Clyde to approve the Tax Incentive Review Council meeting and recommendations.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Karen Clyde and Chuck Klamer walked and reviewed the sidewalks in the Village. Council was given a list of sidewalks that need repaired and a priority for new sidewalks. Council increased the sidewalks to \$10,000.00 for this year.

A letter was received from State Representative Kathleen Chandler asking if the Village had any community projects that it would want on the state budget for Capital Projects. President Bob Matson submitted a request for the Windham Street Bridge. Mayor Craig Moser will send in some suggestions.

Teri Eiermann asked why there was no school zone on Park Avenue. Chuck Klamer said that the state feels that the 25 miles per hour is good enough.

President Bob Matson asked Council to make a recommendation to Planning Commission to review lot sizes in the R-2 District and incorporate Open Space in the R-2 District.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Kaiser to recommend that Planning Commission review the lot size for the R-2 District and incorporate Open Space in the R-2 District.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mr. and Mrs. Heisler were present to discuss their driveway approach after the paving was done. Mr. Heisler said the approach is a mess and he wants the Village to correct the problem. There were three homes that had concerns about their approaches 8121 Maple Avenue, 8137 High Street and 8163 High Street. Mayor Craig Moser will look at the approaches and make a decision on what needs to be done.

The Clerk gave Council three quotes for new phones at the Village Hall. Council will review the quotes and make a decision at the next meeting.

Revenue, Expenditure and Cash Balance Reports were reviewed.

There is a property on Maple Avenue that needs to be mowed. The Clerk will tell the Police Department to send a letter to the owner and request that they mow the grass.

Rick Patrick said that the Village yard sale was a success they had 193 homes participate. Chamber will be putting the flower baskets up next week. He is asking for volunteers to help clean up behind the Mill. Randall Barry will clean up the sunken flower garden. Rick Patrick commended the Street Department for the Memorial Day Service. The cemetery is always in nice shape. They do a great job. The park benches should be here by the Bicentennial.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Clyde to adjourn.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk