

PUBLIC HEARINGS

JULY 14, 2010

The Public Hearings were called to order by President Rick Patrick with Bob Matson, Jeff Kaiser, Chuck Klamer, Karen Clyde, Mayor Craig Moser, Solicitor Michele Stuck, Clerk Nancy Baldwin, Steve Shanafelt Portage County Treasurer, Bob Wrentmore from the Portage County Building Department, Judy Bisard, Valorie McCullough and Jackie Rinearson. (Steve Hadzinsky was absent.)

Michele Ward Clayton was sent certified mail to attend the meeting but she did not accept the certified mail and did not attend the meeting.

Mr. Wrentmore from the Portage County Building Department was present to discuss the property at 8143 Main Street. Solicitor Michele Stuck asked Mr. Wrentmore how much work needs to be done to the property so that it is deemed safe. Temporary repairs can be done at anytime. It is not necessary to bring it up to today's code. Mr. Wrentmore suggested that the Village hire a structural engineer. The engineer could determine the costs of repairs and whether or not the property is worth saving. If the property were to be torn down the entire section beginning with Miller's Lawn and Garden, Irwin's Hardware, Hearth and Home, the clock store and Dr. Maschek's would also be torn down. You cannot just take the Irwin's Hardware building down. Mayor Moser will contact the Village Engineer from Arcadis to determine what repairs need to be done.

Portage County Treasurer Steve Shanafelt was present to discuss the property at 8143 Main Street. The building has been up for sheriff's sale once and no one bid on the property. The Portage County Auditor's Office has the property appraised at \$85,000.00. Council feels the building is not worth that due to the damage to the roof. The costs for repairs to the building can be certified to the County Auditor's Office. Mr. Shanafelt said the County would work with the Village. The property could go for sheriff sale again it would take approximately five (5) months to go through the process. The Village can do the repairs and certify them to the Auditor before the sheriff sale. The Village could purchase the property, do the repairs and sell to someone who wants to renovate the building. If the property would sell the Village could get the money for repairs back. Karen Clyde is concerned that the building is not fixable. The engineer will determine if it is or isn't. If the property is not sold at sheriff's sale the Auditor can sell the property for any amount.

Judy Bisard asked if the Irwin's Hardware would be torn down could the train depot replace the building. Mr. Wrentmore said no if the Irwin's comes down the whole block would come down.

Mr. Klamer said contact two engineers and get quotes and see who can do the inspection for the best price.

Mayor Moser wants Council to consider purchasing the building. It then could be sold to someone who wants to renovate the building. Mayor Moser asked Mr. Wrentmore if he had been contacted by the owner of the Grist Mill on Water Street. Mr. Wrentmore told the Mayor Moser he had not heard from the property owner.

No more comments on 8143 Main Street.

Rick Patrick discussed the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2010-33, Tax Budget for 2011.

No comments.

Moved by Patrick, seconded by Matson to close the Public Hearings and begin Regular Council.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

REGULAR COUNCIL

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Moved Matson, seconded by Kaiser to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2010 minutes as presented by the Clerk.

VOTE AYES--Unanimous

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

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Revenue, Expenditure and Cash Balance reports were reviewed.

Moved by Clyde, seconded by Matson to authorize the Mayor to secure services from an engineer to look at 8143 Main Street to make sure it is structurally sound at a cost not to exceed \$5000.00.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Patrick to suspend the rule that ordinances be fully and completely read on three different days and that Ordinance 2010-33 be placed on first reading and passed.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Kaiser to approve Ordinance 2010-33 Village of Garrettsville Tax Budget for 2011.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Ordinance 2010-34, An ordinance amending Section 904.04(c) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Garrettsville. First Reading

Bob Matson told Council he is not in favor of Ordinance 2010-34 regarding sidewalks he does not feel there should be any changes to the current ordinance.

Moved by Matson, seconded by Patrick to suspend the rule that resolutions be read on three different days and that Resolution 2010-35 be placed on first reading and passed.

VOTE A YES—Matson, Kaiser, Klamer, Patrick

NAY—Clyde

Moved by Matson, seconded by Kaiser to approve Resolution 2010-35, A resolution authorizing the Clerk of the Village of Garrettsville to advertise for bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Phase 1 based upon plans and specifications of the Village of Garrettsville Engineer Arcadis FPS.

VOTE A YES—Matson, Kaiser, Klamer, Patrick

NAY—Clyde

Solicitor Michele Stuck did research on ATVs on private property and gave Council the information. Bob Matson told Council that this had been discussed in Safety Committee and they feel nothing needs to be done. Rick Patrick told Council if you change the ordinance you are going to have people complaining that lawn mowers and chain saws are too loud.

Judy Bisard told Council that she has to leave her home due to the ATVs in her neighborhood. The noise and the smoke are so bad you cannot sit outside. She feels Council does need to do something. Judy Bisard told Council that the baffles have been removed from the muffler to make them go faster. Valorie McCullough told Council she hears the same group of kids on ATVs and the noise is terrible. Solicitor Michele Stuck referred Council to Chapter 375.02 in the traffic code. ATVs must have a muffler the Police Chief will be informed to enforce this section. Rick Patrick and Chuck Klamer stated the Village needs to enforce Chapter 375.02.

Gary Martin sent a letter to Council stating that his front footage is 125 feet and he was charged 131 feet for sidewalks. Gary Martin noted that his property has not returned to existing grade prior to the sidewalk installation. Chuck Klamer asked the Clerk to check the front footage and if it is 125 feet to revise the cost of his portion of the sidewalk installation. Chuck Klamer will look at the grading of the property.

Bob Matson told Council the Fire Department floor is half way completed and it looks great. The Fire District did get a grant for a new grass truck.

Chuck Klamer told Council James A. Garfield School District received an Excellent Rating. They have the highest rating they can get 26 out of 26.

Moved by Kaiser, seconded by Patrick to commend James A. Garfield School District and Superintendent Chuck Klamer for the highest rating possible.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Chuck Klamer discussed the Geauga County Soil and Water Department tree sale; trees can be purchased for \$16.00. He would like to take orders from Village residents who would like to purchase the trees. Council agreed.

Chuck Klamer had quotes on sidewalks for Liberty Street. He is going to get one more quote for the next meeting.

Mayor Moser commended Chuck Klamer for the Excellent Rating from the state, earning 26 of 26 indicators and also earning the Performance Index of 100.4 for the James A. Garfield School District

Mayor Moser told Council the Amweld building sold for 1.9 million not sure what is going to happen.

Rick Patrick told Council Summerfest went well. Thanks to the Street Department and Police Department. The restrooms at the park looking good, lots of work is being done.

Rick Patrick discussed the purchase of a new dump truck. The Clerk will check the finances.

Karen Clyde said the web site is moving along. We should have something for Council to look at soon.

Mayor Moser asked Council to enter into Executive Session for reasons of personnel.

Moved by Patrick seconded by Kaiser to enter into Executive Session for reasons personnel.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Klamer, seconded by Patrick to end Executive Session and return to Regular Council.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Patrick to suspend the rule that ordinances be fully and completely read on three different days and that Ordinance 2010-36 be placed on first reading and passed.
VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Kaiser, seconded by Patrick to approve Ordinance 2010-36, An ordinance amending Section 5.8 of the Ordinance 2009-67, the “Village of Garrettsville, Portage County, Ohio Employee Handbook”.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Klamer to suspend the rule that ordinances be fully and completely read on three different days and that Resolution 2010-37 be placed on first reading and passed.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Matson, seconded by Patrick to approve Resolution 2010-37, A resolution approving a twenty eight (28) day paid leave of absence for Patrolman Lance Gorby pursuant to Section 5.8 of the “Village of Garrettsville, Portage County Employee Handbook”.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Patrick, seconded by Klamer to adjourn.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk