

PUBLIC HEARING

November 12, 2014

The Public Hearing was called to order by Council President Tom Hardesty with Mayor Rick Patrick, Steve Hadzinsky, Chris Anderson, Chuck Klamer, Becky Harrington, Solicitor Michele Stuck, Clerk Nancy Baldwin, Valorie McCullough, Bill and Nancy Cline, Chris Gerez from the Villager, Dan Pompili from the Record Courier. (Jeff Kaiser was absent).

Ordinance 2014-31, An ordinance amending Section 1165.02(a) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Garrettsville in order to eliminate a discrepancy in permitted heights for flag poles. Mayor Rick Patrick said when Charles Chevrolet wanted to put up a higher flagpole, Solicitor Michele Stuck reviewed the ordinances and discovered that there were two conflicting flag pole Ordinances. The first one said no more than fifteen feet then the highest structure permitted in the zoning district, and the other one said thirty five feet. Steve Hadzinsky asked if Charles Chevrolet complied with either one of the ordinances and Solicitor Michele Stuck said they had to get a variance. Planning Commission wanted to review the conflicting information.

Council President Tom Hardesty asked for more comments. There were no comments. The Public Hearing was closed.

Regular Council

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Mayor Rick Patrick called the Regular Council meeting to order with Steve Hadzinsky, Tom Hardesty, Chris Anderson, Chuck Klamer, Becky Harrington, Solicitor Michele Stuck, Clerk Nancy Baldwin, Valorie McCullough, Bill and Nancy Cline, Chris Gerez from the Villager, Dan Pompili from the Record Courier. (Jeff Kaiser was absent).

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Hardesty to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 minutes as presented by the Clerk.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Hadzinsky, seconded by Anderson to approve the bills.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Revenue, Expenditures, Cash Balance and Income Tax reports were reviewed. Tom Hardesty commented that Income Tax Collections have surpassed last year collections. Everything we do in the last quarter will be beyond last year's revenues. Becky Harrington stated that expenditures have increased also and asked if she was not correct to state that. Tom Hardesty asked if Becky wanted to discuss the finances. Becky declined discussion. Steve Hadzinsky stated that revenues have reduced the deficit by about \$5000.00 to \$6000.00 leaving a deficit balance of a \$15,200.00. Tom Hardesty shared his analyses and predicted an estimated \$350,000.00 carryover for 2014 and recommended that Council look at carryover balances at the end of 2014. Clerk Nancy Baldwin stated the purpose of the carryover

is to fund the Village for the first quarter. Chuck Klamer stated that the Village is a governmental agency. Council's job is not to see how much can be bank rolled; our job is to service the Village tax payers and residents. Chuck expressed that the Village funds maintain the streets, parks and sidewalks among other things. After a lengthy discussion Council agreed to have further discussion at the next meeting.

Moved by Hardesty, seconded by Hadzinsky to approve Ordinance 2014-31 An ordinance amending Section 1165.02(a) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Garrettsville in order to eliminate a discrepancy in the permitted height of flagpoles.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Harrington to suspend the rules that Resolutions be fully and completely read on three different days and that Resolution 2014-39 be placed on first reading and passed.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Harrington to approve Resolution 2014-39 A resolution commending Patrolman David Firtik of the Garrettsville Police Department for receiving a Mothers Against Drunk Driving award for excellence in enforcement of the laws against drunk driving and apprehension of impaired drivers.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Bill and Nancy Cline were present to ask Council if they had any new information on the incident with their dog discussed at the October 8th meeting. Solicitor Michele Stuck said the Village of Garrettsville can have an ordinance regarding viscous dogs but it has to mirror the State of Ohio. Solicitor Michele Stuck also consulted the Portage County Prosecutor and asked him not to be lenient. Solicitor Stuck stated the best thing we can do is wait to see what happens; the dog owner at the rental property of 8144 Maple Avenue has at least two charges against her now a third offense would allow for prosecution. Chuck Klamer asked who owned the home and suggested that we contact the property owner. Bill and Nancy Cline's son has already sent a letter to the property owner with no response. Mayor Rick Patrick said the Village should write the property owner and discuss the situation.

Chuck Klamer expressed his disappointment with some of the Village leadership and various committees. Chuck Klamer asked Council if they wanted to be a good or great Village. Chuck stated that we are a good Village but challenged Council to want to become a great Village by improving existing leadership and management within the Village.

Moved by Hadzinsky, seconded by Anderson to enter into Executive Session to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Hardesty, seconded by Anderson to end Executive Session and return to Regular Council.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Moved by Hadzinsky, seconded by Anderson to adjourn.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk