

**Council Meeting  
26 September 2011**

Mayor Blair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Roll Call:** Gerald Rougé – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – No, Dianne Lillibridge – No, Charles Hauser – Yes.

**Visitors:** Jennell Dahlhausen, Marcianne Kimpton, Jack Garner, Rick Smigelski, Todd Hicks, Judy Beaumier, Joe Kozial, Ward Herst, Steve Gallowan, Nick Fischbach, Skip Plime, Pat Linn

**Police Report: Chief Smigelski**

Chief Smigelski reported for the month of August 2011. Police responded to 236 activity calls, made 8 arrests, and 46 traffic stops. Officers worked 830 hours and put 1770 miles on the police cars.

Chief Smigelski reported that the Department prepared for the Geauga County Fair by reviewing EOPs with the County Sheriff and the Fair Board. Burton Safety Town was a success.

Three reserve officers were hired and two more will be hired from the next academy class.

Chief Smigelski explained to Council that the Berkshire School District had approached the Department with funds to hire a School Resource Officer (SRO) through the Burton Police Department. The SRO will work for the School for 57 weeks, only during the active school year. The Village will pay the salary and benefits. The school district will make an upfront payment to cover the entire period by November 15, however the funds need to be obligated before 30 September 2011. An ordinance and agreement have been drafted. The grant was found by the school and is one time money.

Chief Smigelski asked Council to approve hiring Sandy Turaba as School Crossing Guard for the Village. Mr. Ronyak moved to hire Ms. Turaba as school crossing guard and Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll Call: Craig Ronyak – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rouge – Yes. Motion passed.

**Solicitor:**

Mr. Hicks had nothing to report.

**Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Moved to the end of the meeting.

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Mr. Paquette asked for a motion to pay approved bills. Mr. Ronyak so moved. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. By voice vote the motion passed.

Mr. Paquette asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of 12 September 2011. Ms. Swaney moved to adopt the 12 September minutes. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. By voice vote motion passed.

Mr. Paquette reported to Council that the 2012 budget draft was completed and ready for their review.

Mr. Paquette reported that Mr. Hicks had drafted two ordinances regarding internet cafes. Ordinance 2230-11 is legislation designed to regulate internet cafes within the Village and can be passed at the next meeting if desired. Ordinance 2231-11 is legislation that provides zoning control of internet cafes and needs to be referred to the Planning Commission. Council will review.

Mr. Paquette reminded Council of a few of the items that need to be followed up from previous meetings. Chief Sestak's recommendation on dilapidated buildings has not yet been received by Council. Mrs. Lillibridge had asked about a speed study in the Village. Chief Smigelski stated that it was possible to obtain the device to measure speed of traffic. Council discussed the need to conduct the study. Chief Smigelski stated that the device also counted traffic, an important piece of data for Issue II projects. Council indicated to Chief Smigelski that he should go forward with doing another complete speed study in the Village. Chief Smigelski will look into obtaining the machine.

### **MAYORS Report;**

Mayor Blair reported that he, as Geauga Door, was making a donation of \$225 to the Burton American Legion Post for flag poles in the Village. Mrs. Beaumier, on behalf of the Legion, accepted the donation.

### **Old Business:**

Mayor Blair asked Mr. Ward Herst to introduce himself. Mr. Herst stated that he was a candidate for the Zoning Inspector position. Mr. Herst is Village resident with many years of service as a contractor and member of the Geauga County Planning Board.

Mr. Paquette asked Council to make a decision on the date of Trick or Treat. Ms. Dahlhausen reported that Chardon is holding Halloween on October 31 and Middlefield Village is holding Trick or Treat on Saturday 29 October from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Mr. Gallowan expressed a desire for the traditional October 31 date. Mr. Fischbach stated that he had in the past received letters of support for a 31 October Trick or Treat. Mr. Hauser moved to hold Trick or Treat on Saturday 29 October from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Motion failed for lack of a second. Ms. Swaney moved to hold Trick or

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Treat on Monday 31 October from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Mr. Rouge seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney - Yes, Gerald Rouge – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Hauser asked Council to approve the repair of the catch basin on Evergreen. Quotes were received and GAR Paving was the best. GAR would perform the work for \$6,640. Mr. Hauser moved to accept the quote of GAR for \$6,640 to repair Evergreen Road catch basin. Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll Call: Charles Hauser – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Abstain, Gerald Rouge – Yes. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

No new business.

**Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Ms. Swaney placed Ordinance 2228-11, authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into an Agreement with the Geauga County Fair Board for payment of a fee to the Village based upon admissions to the Great Geauga Fair, second reading.

Ms. Swaney introduced Ordinance 2229-11, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Berkshire School District to provide a part time police officer as School Resource Officer for two years at a contracted price and paid for by Berkshire School District through the Village of Burton, and placed it on first reading.

Ms. Swaney moved to refer Ordinance 2231-11 to the planning commission. Council had no objections.

Council discussed the need to pass Ordinance 2229-11 tonight. Ms. Dahlhausen was directed to call Mr. Coleman. Mr. Hicks stated that for the purposes of waiving readings Mr. Coleman could vote by telephone. Mr. Coleman was present via for the vote on Ordinance 2229-11. Ms. Swaney moved to waive further readings of Ordinance 2229-11 and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Gerald Rouge – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes. Motion is passed.

Ms. Swaney moved to adopt Ordinance 2229-11 and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Gerald Rouge – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes. Ordinance 2229-11 is adopted.

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Ms. Swaney moved to enter executive session at 7:40 PM for selection of a zoning inspector. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes,

Mr. Rouge moved to leave executive session at 7:50 PM. Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Gerald Rougé –Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes.

Mayor Blair explained that Council had narrowed it down two candidates for Zoning Inspector; John Spisak and Ward Herst. Council will decide at the next meeting.

Ms. Swaney moved to adjourn. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:52. PM

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Fiscal Officer