

**Council Meeting
9 April 2012**

Prior to the opening of the meeting Mayor Fischbach thanked the Village residents who volunteer their time and service to helping others and read a proclamation to officially recognize their important contribution. Certificates were awarded to all volunteers including the Cub Scouts for assistance to the elderly in the Village, those residents on committees for and in the Village and Mr. and Mrs. Koroshes for their dedication in holding the Easter Egg hunt in the Village each year. This year there were 1500 children present.

Mayor Fischbach called the meeting to order at 7:23 PM.

Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes.

Visitors: Lee Koroshes, Jane Koroshes, Chip Hess, John Spisak, Jack Garner, Jennell Dahlhausen, Joe Koziel, Judy Beaumier, Newell Beaumier, Ann Wishart, Marcianne Kimpton, Bev Fischbach, Todd Hicks, Charles Boehnlein.

Recognition of Visitors:

Mayor Fischbach recognized Mr. Boehnlein. Mr. Boehnlein thanked Ms. Dahlhausen for her hard work as Cemetery Clerk.

Engineers Report:

Mr. Hess reported that he is working on a bid for Street Department to do point repairs at various locations in the Village.

Mr. Hess also reported that he had prepared a budget for the ADA improvements at the log cabin in the park.

Fire Report:

Chief Sestak was not available to report

Zoning Report:

Mr. Spisak reported Geauga Savings Bank was still seeking a contractor to remove the garage/barn at 14585 E Park.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

None presented.

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

Mr. Paquette asked for comments or a motion to accept the minutes of 26 March 2012. Mr. Ronyak moved to adopt. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Fischbach reported that he had sent a letter to the owners and businesses of North Cheshire about use of the trash receptacles provided by the Village. Owners and businesses are required to provide their own trash removal service and not to rely on the Village trash cans.

Mayor Fischbach recommended to Council that Newell Beaumier and Charles Boehnlein be reappointed to the Cemetery Board. Mr. Ronyak moved to accept Mayor Fischbach's recommendations of Mr. Beaumier and Mr. Boehnlein to the Cemetery Board. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll Call: Craig Ronyak – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Fischbach swore both Mr. Beaumier and Mr. Boehnlein in as Cemetery Board members.

Committees

Streets and Health District: Mr. Hauser

Mr. Hauser informed Council that Jerry Mitchell was the new Geauga County Health Board Chairman. The Chairmanship will rotate amongst municipalities. The annual Health Board appropriation was approved.

Mr. Hauser noted that the Kubota track was up for auction and bids had reached \$4000.

Mr. Hauser and Mr. Motil presented Council with a list of projects and the lowest best bid for each. Mr. Hauser reported that several companies had bid on the job to stain the gazebo and water tower fence but the lowest bid was Kaminski Painting for \$4999. Mr. Hauser moved to accept the bid of Kaminski Painting for staining the water tower fence and gazebo. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Charles Hauser – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes. Motion passed.

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Mr. Hauser presented a project to level the paving stones around the gazebo for \$1460. Mrs. Lillibridge asked how long this would last. Mr. Hauser stated that he thought this was the first time it was done, so approximately 14 years. Mr. Hauser moved to accept the quote of Geauga Services to level the paving stones around the gazebo and clean them. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Charles Hauser – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Hauser then explained that GAW Striping had offered to do the first half of the annual street striping for \$2500 in the area of the Park. Mr. Johnston asked when they would be starting. Mr. Motil said it would be closer to the start of the Chautauqua event in July. Ms. Swaney moved to accept the quote of GAW for striping around the square and Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – No, Craig Ronyak – Yes.

Mr. Hauser reported that Mr. Motil had successfully completed Tree School and that he and Mr. Motil had attended a meeting about pipeline safety (Ohio Utility Protection Service) practices. Mr. Motil thanked Council for sending him to Tree School.

Fire Department, Berkshire Schools, Planning Commission: Mr. Coleman
Mr. Coleman reported that he was going through his information on flashing light school signs and would be meeting with Mr. Ronyak .

Mr. Coleman stated that he missed the last Berkshire Recreation Board Meeting but will be attending the next one in order to see about their thoughts on reviving the Village Joint Recreation Board. Mrs. Lillibridge stated that she had heard from two members of the Berkshire Recreation Board who expressed their concerns about a Village funded board contributing to a multi municipality board. Mr. Coleman stated that he had been considering some possible solutions to this problem including limiting use of Village funds to events in the Village.

BCPA, Trees, Cemetery, Local Government: Mrs. Lillibridge
Mrs. Lillibridge reported that she missed the Tree Commission meeting. Mrs. Beaumier reported in her place. Mrs. Beaumier reported that the Tree Commission was sending Debbie Palmisano to the Tree Academy and that Ms. Palmisano, Mr. Fischbach and Ms. Valen were attending the Tree City event this year. Six trees will be planted to the east of the Square. And Founders Day/Arbor Day will include a scavenger hunt. Ten trees will be air evacuated in the park to help with root problems.

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BCPA meets next month.

Community Grants, Historic District: Ms. Swaney

Ms. Swaney reported that the Historic District Association was gathering its successes and looking to create a vision. Judge Forest Burt is the new chairman.

Founders Day is being planned.

Ms. Swaney reported a Certified Local Government Grant to conduct an inventory of all the homes in the National Historic District is in the works and has been submitted.

The ADA bathroom rehabilitation at the Log Cabin is to be paid for with a grant from the Community Development Block Grant Fund. Mr. Hauser and Mr. Paquette are working on the application.

Finances, Police representative, Historic District Architectural Review Board: Mr. Johnston

Mr. Johnston reported that the Historic District Review Board has met almost regularly to process permit application.

Mr. Johnston also reported that he is working with the Chief of Police.

BZA, Board of Public Affairs: Mr. Ronyak

Mr. Ronyak reported that the Infrastructure Review Committee met on March 28 to discuss potential projects. The Committee identified Cook Hickox and Rapids Road as areas they would focus on right now.

BPA meets on 10 April. Mr. Ronyak will report back on that meeting at the next Council session.

Old Business:

Mrs. Kimpton asked the Mayor if there was any progress on a criteria to award engraved bricks. Mayor Fischbach stated that he was working on them and had just discussed it with Mrs. Beaumier.

A question was asked about the Log Cabin Lease. Mayor Fischbach and Ms. Swaney stated that the lease was still being formulated.

Ms. Swaney asked if anything had been heard about G-TV. Mayor Fischbach stated that he had not heard from Mr. Jevnikar. Mr. Hicks was asked to contact Mr. Jevnikar and start a new contract.

New Business:

Mayor Fischbach asked if there was any new business. Hearing none, Mayor Fischbach asked Council to enter into executive sessions to discuss real property purchase. Ms. Swaney moved to enter executive session to discuss purchase of property and Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll

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Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes. Council entered executive session at 7:50 PM.

Mrs. Lillibridge moved to leave executive session at 8:25PM. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion and by voice vote motion passed.

Council discussed potential options for the purchase of real property at 14585 E Park. Options included loans and direct payment. Mayor Fischbach presented Council with a draft ordinance, 2240-12, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to enter into a purchase agreement with Geauga Savings Bank to purchase property at 14585 East Park. Mr. Coleman suggested adding the wording, "with a 45 day contingency and upon Council approval". Mr. Hicks noted that there was no problem adding the language to the ordinance but that Council should be aware that Geauga Savings Bank has not and may not accept these terms. Mr. Johnston asked if the Village risked losing any down payment. Mr. Hicks stated that if the terms of Village were no down payment then the Village would not lose any money.

Mr. Coleman introduced ordinance 2240-12, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to enter into a purchase agreement with Geauga Savings Bank or its designees for the purchase of property located at 14585 East Park in Burton Village subject to terms and conditions to be agreed upon and with a 45 day contingency and upon Council approval at the end of said 45 days. Mr. Coleman moved to waive further readings. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Roll Call: Jeff Coleman – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – No, Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Abstain, Craig Ronyak – No. Motion to waive further readings fails for lack of a super majority of votes. Ordinance 2240-12 is placed on first reading.

Mr. Ronyak moved to adjourn and Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer