

**Council Meeting
24 June 2013**

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

Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Charles Hauser – No, Brian Johnston – Yes.

Public Hearing:

Mayor Fischbach called to order a Public hearing regarding the 2014 Tax Budget and asked for public comment and questions. Mr. Coleman asked Mr. Paquette if the proposed budget limited the Village in any way in amending the budget late to cover those costs still being specified. Mr. Paquette stated that it did not. There being no further question or comment, Mayor Fischbach closed the hearing.

Visitors: Marcianne Kimpton, Judith Beaumier, Jack Garner, Todd Hicks, Chad Eldridge, Rick Smigelski, Josh Echt, Lee Koroshes, Jane Koroshes, Janice Koster, Jim Koster, Joe Kozial, Rick Gruber, Marty Motil.

Police Report:

Chief Smigelski reported for the month of May. The Department responded to 138 incidents, made 59 traffic stops, and wrote 16 reports. Officers worked 999.5 hours and put 3392 miles on the police vehicles. Auxiliary Officers worked a total of 141 hours for the month. Chief Smigelski briefed the Council on the probable placement of the flashing school zone lighted signs and other school zone signs. The new school zone is journalized to 300 beyond the property line of the school and is an enforceable speed zone area. Chief Smigelski recommended installation in house using ODOT specifications for the flashing signs with assistance from the contractor. Council discussed. Chief Smigelski will continue to work with the Village Engineer and Mr. Motil to get the signs installed before the end of July. At this point Chief Smigelski is waiting for a quote on the cost of the unlighted speed and school zone signs.

Solicitors Report:

Mr. Hicks reported that he is still working with the Chamber of Commerce to reach a mutually agreeable meeting date sometime in July to discuss the log cabin lease.

Zoning Report:

Mr. Gruber reported that four garage sale permits were issued; notices were given for tall grass and an unlicensed vehicle. Permits were

approved for a deck at a house, garage demolition and construction, foyer addition, and fence permit. There was one complaint about a new addition that resolved itself into a question about tree maintenance on the trees on the property line. No new inquiries at this time.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ms. Swaney placed Ordinance 2256-13, adopting the tax budget for Fiscal Year 2014 and declaring an emergency, on final reading and moved to adopt. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes. Ordinance 2256-13 is adopted.

Ms. Swaney placed Resolution 2013-13, declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the 10 mil limitation, on second reading.

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

Mr. Paquette asked for comments or a motion to adopt the 28 May 2013 minutes. Mrs. Lillibridge moved to adopt the minutes of 13 May 2013 as written and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mr. Paquette reported that the County Tax Commission meets with Burton Village on 14 August at the Auditor's Office.

Mr. Paquette reported that the new contract for employee health care had been tendered by Anthem BC/BS. The cost was increased approximately six percent. Council was offered the option of accepting the health care contract renewal in which case they would have to do nothing, opting for a different health care contract under Anthem (such as a Health Savings Account or a different level) or going out to get other health care providers. Council will consider it options before the next meeting.

Mayors Report:

In recognition of Volunteers to the Village, Mayor Fischbach thanked the assembled and absent residents of the village who volunteer their time on various committees and activities to improve and maintain the Village. This meeting was declared to be Volunteer Appreciation Night and all volunteers were given certificates in recognition of their efforts. Those present were given their certificate during the meeting.

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Mayor Fischbach noted that Founders Day was celebrated on Sunday, 22 June and was well attended.

Old Business:

Mayor Fischbach asked Mr. Motil to report the new signs for the Village Office. Mr. Motil provided Council with a drawing of the sign proposed by Willowleaf Signs. Mr. Motil stated that there were two quotes. Willowleaf Signs quoted \$2,169 for the sign as shown. Ray Hershberger quoted \$2,000. Council discussed and noted that Willowleaf Signs had made the signs that were at the entrances of the Village now, with the exception of Rapids Road. Mr. Coleman moved to accept the quote of Willowleaf Signs and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion. Roll Call: Jeff Coleman – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes. Motion passed. Mr. Motil was directed to follow-up with Willowleaf Signs and schedule the work.

Mr. Motil presented to Council a plan to repair the sidewalk at Carlton and South Cheshire with the goal of making it more accessible. Phil Miller Construction made some suggestions to the work and has quoted \$7,250 for the project. Council discussed. Ms. Swaney moved to accept the quote of Phil Miller Construction. Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes. Motion passed. Mr. Motil was directed to call Phil Miller Construction and schedule the work.

Mayor Fischbach asked Mr. Eldridge to update Council on the status of the proposed mill and fill paving project on Cook Street. Mr. Eldridge presented Council with a copy of the proposed bid document and read off the schedule for starting work. The bids will be advertised on 26 June and 3 July and opened on 12 July. Council will need to hold a special meeting on 15 July to approve the letting of the bid and work would begin in early August, ending before the fair. Mr. Johnston moved to accept this schedule and start the bid process. Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll Call: Brian Johnston – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Craig Ronyak – abstain. Motion passed.

New Business:

Mr. Koroshes reminded those present that the American Legion would be holding its fireworks celebration of the 4th of July on the 4th starting at 6 PM on the Geauga County Fairgrounds.

Mr. Johnston moved to enter executive session at 7:40 PM to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Brian

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Johnston – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak - Yes. Entered executive session.

Ms. Swaney moved to leave executive session at 8:02 PM and Mr. Ronyak seconded the motion. Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Brian Johnston – Yes.

Mrs. Lillibridge asked Council if they were aware of the proposed State legislation that would end up costing residents more when passing levies. Mr. Paquette added that the legislation was in the proposed Ohio biennial budget and would do away with the rollback on levies effectively having residents pay for the entire levy instead of the State picking up 10 to 12.5%. This legislation would also add half a percent to the state sales tax and could provide a reduction in income tax.

Mr. Ronyak moved to adjourn and Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Mayor/President Pro-tem

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