

Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Rick presiding.

Mr. R. McDowall asked everyone to join him in a moment of reflection for their own intentions. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all.

Roll Call – Ms. K. Miller, p; Mr. M. Kelly, p; Mr. R. Schrock, p; Mr. M. Raddish, p; Ms. B. Van Dike, p; Mr. R. McDowall, p; Mr. C. Yoho, p.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second by Ms. B. Van Dike for the approval of the agenda as presented. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second by Ms. K. Miller to adopt the minutes of the December 5, 2018 Council meeting. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS ON PENDING LEGISLATION – No comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS – Ms. Miller had no report.

UTILITIES – Mr. McDowall had no report.

SAFETY – Mr. Kelly reported that he has two pieces of legislation to read.

STREETS – Mr. Yoho had no report.

PLANNING AND ZONING – Mr. Schrock reported there will be a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting January 7, 2019.

FINANCE/AUDIT – Ms. Van Dike reported she has two pieces of legislation to read.

OLD BUSINESS –

Mr. M. Kelly presented the second reading of Resolution 2018-93 sponsored by the Safety Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR ALL FULL-TIME PATROLMEN AND SERGEANTS AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. M. Raddish made a motion to table Resolution 2018-93; Mr. M. Kelly seconded the motion.

Mayor Rick stated that this item was discussed at last week's work session to table this motion until the Income Tax Levy in May and the pay would not be retroactive.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS -

Mr. M. Kelly presented Resolution 2018-94 sponsored by the Safety Committee as follows:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE FOR 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. M. Kelly made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three readings; Ms. K. Miller seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. M. Kelly to adopt Resolution 2018-94; a second was made by Mr. R. Schrock. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Ordinance 2018-95 sponsored by the Finance Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. B. Van Dike made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three readings; Mr. M. Kelly seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. B. Van Dike to adopt Ordinance 2018-95; a second was made by Mr. R. Schrock.

Mayor Rick thanked council and department heads for the discussions regarding this issue. If the income tax levy passes in May some of the pressure can be lifted from the finances. Mr. M. Kelly thanked everyone involved with the budget for all of the hard work; it is greatly appreciated.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Resolution 2018-96 sponsored by the Finance Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ESTABLISHING PARTS OF ORDINANCE 2018-6 REGARDING THE INCOME TAX, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. B. Van Dike made a motion to suspend the rule requiring three readings; Ms. K. Miller seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. B. Van Dike to adopt Resolution 2018-96; a second was made by Ms. K. Miller.

Mayor Rick stated that this ordinance is not related to the one to place the levy on the May ballot. This ordinance is related to the items needed to updated in the Village Income Tax Code.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick asked for a motion to accept the audit report and authorize and assign the \$500.00 check from the insurance company to clear the outstanding receipt from 2015.

He also stated that Scott had researched the files and found the deposits and receipts matched for the 2011 items listed in the audit. These were the same deposits and receipts Chief Higgins investigated and cleared.

Mr. M. Kelly questioned the 2011 items. Mayor Rick said these were the same deposits and receipts Chief Higgins and himself investigated and cleared. The funds were not missing. Mr. Pitchford is composing a letter to forward to the State Auditor's Office in the findings.

Mr. R. McDowall asked if council could receive a copy of the letter. Council members will receive a copy of this letter.

Ms. B. Van Dike made a motion to accept the audit report and assign the insurance company for recovery. Mr. M. Raddish seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS ON THE BILLS - Ms. B. Van Dike made a motion to approve the payment of the bills as presented on the invoice report; Mr. R. Schrock seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS from the Public:

June Long, 4061 Etter Road; thanked the police department for their response to a family situation. She also asked council for consideration a capsule description of the ordinance that is being read for better understanding.

John Yeargin, 261 Ridge Rd; commended the Village and leaders for the hard work to make the Christmas in the Village a success. While he was manning the information desk, all the remarks he heard was how the public was enjoying the event.

Mayor Rick thanked Mr. Yeargin. He stated that he appreciates all of the work to make the event a success. He was surprised by the number of visitors and how it has grown since the Community Center years.

Jon Mencer, 242 S. Cleveland: wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

COMMENTS from Council: Mr. M. Kelly thanked the school for the Christmas present that each council member received. His daughter is a high school senior and she received a hand-written note from him. The Village is fortunate to have the leaders in the local school district. Ms. M. Miller, retired school assistant, said that he sends every student a personal hand-written note.

He also stated that council needs to present the needs of the income tax levy that we be on the May ballot to the residents; he is willing to lead a committee to do so.

Mr. R. Schrock stated that the resident who asked for lighting earlier on Warner is happy with the "No Parking" sign that was placed after his request but is hoping that a light will be placed in the future.

Mr. M. Raddish is pleased with Christmas in the Village and how it is received by the public. He also thanked Scott Varney for his work on the 2019 budget. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, also.

COMMENTS from the Clerk-Treasurer - No comments.

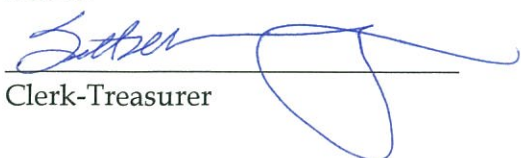
COMMENTS from the Mayor: Mayor Rick wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Also, reminded council that the next meeting will be Wednesday, January 2 and there will be financial challenges in 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

 1-3-19

Mayor Date

Attest:



Clerk-Treasurer