Council met in regular session Monday, October 15, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Council present: Karon Lane-Pres., John Hudik, Justin Kreischer, John Pupos, Richard Sauerlender and Brooke Smith.

Other officials present: Mayor Ken Wysong, VFO Catherine Vorst, Deputy Clerk Sue Clendenin

Village employees: Steve Venia and Jamie VanAlstine.

Guests – Deputy John Buehrer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The floor was opened to Deputy Buehrer. The Sheriff’s office will try to attend a meeting a month in the event we have any questions. Submitted year to date police reports that do not contain traffic stops unless citations were issued.

**Minutes** – John Pupos moved to approve council minutes from October 01, 2018 as written. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Reading of Bills** | **10/15/2018** |  | | **Bills Already Paid** |  |  | | Susan Clendenin | Wages 09/27/18 - 10/10/18 | 615.00 | | Catherine Vorst | Wages 09/27/18 - 10/10/18 | 875.00 | | Steven Venia | Wages 09/27/18 - 10/10/18 | 1,617.80 | | Jamie VanAlstine | Wages 09/27/18 - 10/10/18 | 703.50 | | Suzanne Stough | Wages - 2 meetings Dec 2017 | 50.00 | | **Bills to be paid:** |  |  | | Kuhlman | Sewer Repair Parts | 547.25 | | Cintas Corp | Uniforms | 69.69 | | Cintas Corp | Payment from Payroll | 17.80 | | Display Sales | Holiday Pole Decorations w/S&H | 3,997.00 | | Sue Clendenin | Kroger - Apple Juice - Halloween Party | 23.76 | | Tri-County Fuels | Diesel Fuel | 210.50 | | Ohio Gas Company | Heat - Mill and Main Street | 19.06 | | Lowe's Home Centers | Mask & Flowers | 90.17 | | Century Link | Village Phone and Fax | 251.66 | | Angela Smith | Aug & Oct Consulting | 140.00 | |  |  | 9,228.19 | |  |  |  |

John Pupos moved to pay bills as presented. Second of motion by Justin Kreischer and approved by all council.

**Personnel & Finance Report** – no action items to consider

**Lands & Buildings Report** – Committee recommends not renewing farm lease with Kevin Shull due to expire December 31, 2018, thus allowing property to become tax exempt. All council agreed not to renew farming lease.

Park fence quote came in at $1,565 to replace sections removed by a village resident. Recommend using park funds to install fencing and bill the resident who removed it without village permission. Sauerlender said we will follow necessary legal protocol to recoup cost from the resident. The fence was nonconforming for two reasons; it was on the property line and exceeded height requirements. As long as we put back what was there we do not need a variance. Brooke Smith said are we sure we want to replace the missing fence, the majority of the park is not fenced in and she doesn’t know why we want to put the fence back in. John Hudik said the fence is to keep people from driving through the area. If years down the road we want to take it done it is our fence and we can do what we want to. Justin said the area where the fence was removed does look cleaner, but the fence was a barrier both ingress and egress. Homeowners could complain people are now able to exit the park by walking through their back yards. Most homeowners abutting the park have some type of barrier in place be it a fence, trees or bushes. John Pupos said the resident should be accountable for removing the fence without village permission. Mayor Wysong said if council should decide to not replace the fence we could ask the resident to take the rest of the fence down that extends easterly to Memorial Drive in lieu of paying to replace the fencing he removed. Jamie suggested planting a row of arborvitaes instead of fencing. John Hudik said he thought it was agreed upon at the last council meeting to have the fence put back up at the resident’s expense. Why are we now discussing alternatives? Mayor Wysong said the legal process will cost the village and new fencing won’t match existing. Richard Sauerlender said eventually the village could decide to replace the rest of the fencing, just not in this year’s budget. Split rail fencing would be a less expensive option but would require more maintenance than chain link. If we change the existing fence type we would have to bring it into zoning compliance, which mandates a two-foot setback and height not to exceed four feet. The zoning letter sent to the resident gave him until October 31st to replace the fencing removed. We will ask the solicitor for more specifics on legalities surrounding the billing situation. Make final decision November 5th.

LED blinking stop signs have been installed at Maple and Main Street. To take additional safety precautions the committee recommends relocating the overhead flasher now located at Maple and Swanton Street to the Main and Maple Street intersection. Install single solar beacon lights (that were at Main & Maple) to stop signs at the Maple and Swanton Street intersection. Purchase two additional single solar beacon lights to place on stop signs at East Main and CR2. Total cost with labor $2,000. Council approved.

Mayor Wysong said it will cost approximately $1,500 to replace fuel tank on dump truck after road salt ate through it. He would like the bill paid as soon as it comes in and not ask Mike to wait until November 5thcouncil meeting. Council approved expenditure and payment to Mike’s Auto Repair. Enough funds are in Mike’s Auto Repair’s blanket purchase order to pay for the fuel tank and installation.

**Old Business** – Gary Loar was recognized. Brian Geer with Mannick & Smith Engineering Group will be writing up specs for the United Methodist Church sewer project. Brian said a 2” line is big enough to service the church. Gary trying to get the pump capacity from Mike Anderzack. They feel the flow rate will be similar to the local library; they use between 80 and 100 gallons per day. Gary said the parsonage will not be tied into the new sewer system at this time.

Annexation agreement paperwork progressing.

**New Business-** Maumee Valley Planning meeting October 30th in Wauseon at 6:30 p.m. grant information will be provided. Mayor Wysong and the fiscal officer will attend.

**Ordinance #984** – Indigent Contract Annual Amendment with the Fulton County Commissioners. Justin Kreischer motioned to approve the first reading of Ordinance 984. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

**Fiscal Officer’s report** –Requesting appropriation increase of $300 in account A1-7-X-241 to cover cost of office supplies including the purchase of a new recorder and a transfer of $2,000 from B1-6 -B-255 (Construct & Replace) to B1-6-E-243 (Traffic Sign Repair & Maint.) to purchase traffic signs. John Pupos moved to approve **Ordinance #985**, amending 2018 appropriations. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council.

Office will be closed October 16th to allow clerks to attend mandatory training sponsored by the State Auditor’s office.

The village received a total of $600 in Halloween donations from APC, Weigel Funeral Home and Gleaner Life Insurance. A sincere thank you to all these businesses!

The VFO distributed tentative 2019 Holiday Office closings and Council meeting dates for review. If legal holiday occurs on the firs or third Monday of the month, council will meet on Wednesday of the same week.

An updated phone list was distributed and hung inside the bulletin box in front of the Village Office.

Discussed installing a door bell on the back door.

The Personnel & Finance committee will meet December 3rd prior to the 7:00 p.m. council meeting. Land & Buildings committee will meet December 17th at 7:00 p.m. prior to the 8:00 p.m. council meeting. Year-end council meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 27th at 7:00 p.m.

**Mayor’s report** – Nothing to report at this time.

**Adjournment** –Justin Kreischer moved to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

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Mayor – Ken Wysong VFO – Catherine Vorst

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Clendenin