Village of Mount Sterling Council

Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Lowell Anderson.

The Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Attending the meeting: Mayor Lowell Anderson, council persons Diane Spradlin, Rebecca Burns, Jim Davis, Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff and David Timmons. John Martin, Deputy Jack Dill, Mark Pitstick, Bonnie Liff, representative of the press and citizens of the village.

Minutes of the February 13, 2017 meeting were accepted as written with a motion from David Timmons and a second from Jim Davis. Voice vote: Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff; David Timmons-yes.

Department Reports:

Village Administrator: (John Martin)

* Community Service Program:
* One worker completed his hours.
* Wastewater Treatment Plant:
* Continue to work on the list of repairs.
* New Water Supply Plant:
* Building roof is on. Siding should start soon.
* Concrete floors are complete.
* Internal walls should start soon.
* Plant completion is the end of August 2017.
* Street Signs/Stop Signs/Speed Bumps/Service Department Issues:
* Still discussing the High St. /E. Main St. visibility issues.
* Storm Drain/Water Supply/Waste Pipes:
* County Engineer says that we are still waiting on ODOT to respond to our request to hook into their 48” storm pipe on SR 56.
* Neighborhood Revitalization Grant (CDBG)
* Finalizing the bid specs for the remaining portions of the grant.

(See attached notes.)

Committee Reports:

Finance: (Rebecca Burns)

Motion to approve payment listing, receipt listing and cash summary by fund for February 2017 made by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff, second by David Timmons. Voice vote: Rebecca burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes.

Mayor: We are $320,000 in the deficit, we are bringing that number down.

Up to date on Bank reconciliation.

Motion to approve the January bank reconciliations. The January bank reconciliation is reconciled with the same adjusting factors as we had in December 2016. Motion made by Rebecca Burns, second by David Timmons. Voice Vote: Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes.

Finance work session set for March 7, 2017 at 4:0 p.m. at Town Hall.

Mayor: RITA YTD: $86,000 plus. LYTD: $76,000 plus.

Mayor: Two water bills $700. Cannot turn off because one is inside and one uses a boiler heating system. Need to get busy and shut them off. John Martin advised we will put in a pit and turn off valve at the right of way, curb line. Will start in spring.

Parks and Recreation: (Rebecca Burns)

* Festival (David Timmons)
* Talked about setting up the festival.
* Next festival meeting is March 16, 2017, 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Pleasant Township: (Diane Spradlin)

Met on February 20, 2017

* Approved the minutes
* Revisited the Burr Oak problem.
* Cleaning Alkire Cemetery on April 1, 2017.
* Attended the Engineer meeting on February 16, 2017.
* Have a plan to trap the squirrels live and release them at Battelle Metro Park.
* Went over the finances.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Approved as to form.

Ord. 2017-02: An ordinance adopting procedures and methodologies for the payment of water and sewer bills. 1st reading.

Motion to place on first reading by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff, second by David Timmons. Voice vote: Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes.

Ord. 2017-03: An ordinance to approve 2017 budget and make appropriations for current expenses of the Village of Mount Sterling, Madison County, Ohio during fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

Motion to suspend the rules by Jim Davis, second by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff. Voice vote: David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes.

Motion to place on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading by David Timmons, second by Rebeca Burns. Voice vote: Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes.

Motion to adopt made by Jim Davis, second by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff. Voice vote: Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes.

Ord. 2017-04: An ordinance designating a downtown business district in the Village of Mount Sterling. 1st reading.

Motion to place on 1st reading by David Timmons, second by Jim Davis. Voice vote: Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes.

Res. 2017-05: A resolution approving the cash reconciliation for January 2013 through April 2016 as espoused by the State Auditor and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend the rules by David Timmons, second by Jim Davis. Voice vote: Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes.

A motion to place on 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings with emergency clause by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff, second by Diane Spradlin. Voice vote: David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes.

A motion to adopt made by David Timmons, second by Jim Davis. Voice vote: Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes.

Res. 2017-06: A resolution approving additional funds for the continued work of Local Government Services of the Auditor of State and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend the rules by Jim Davis, second by Rebecca Burns. Voice vote: Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes.

Motion to leave emergency in by David Timmons, second by Jim Davis. Voice vote: Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes.

Motion to place on 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading by Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff, second by Rebecca Burns. Voice vote: Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes; David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes.

Motion to adopt by David Timmons, second by Jim Davis. Voice vote: David Timmons-yes; Diane Spradlin-yes; Rebecca Burns-yes; Jim Davis-yes; Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff-yes.

Round Table:

David Timmons: Behind the gazebo, possibly naming the alley Veterans Way.

Mayor: Monument meeting. Will not spend $100,000 on the monument. Lisa Schwartz checking on prices and bids. Will contact Max from the Madison Press to do an article. Next meeting is March 15, 2017.

Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Bonnie Liff, Clerk of Council Lowell Anderson, Mayor

Minutes were written on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.