

Carroll Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 08, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tammy Drobina with pledge to the flag.

At roll call all members present: Carole Dreier, Patricia Pierce, Carolyn Davis, Chad Brown, David Cotner and Clarence Thomas.

Also present were Clerk Mary Dawson, Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer Dennis Rose, Village Solicitor Jeffrey Feyko, and Police Officer Jackson.

Visitors were Greenfield Twp Trustee John Reef, Tracy & Corey Helber, John & Noah Frase, Jeff Williamsen, and village resident Pat Thomas.

No Visitor Comments.

Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes from regular meeting of 09-10-2013. Chad Brown made a motion to accept as written, 2nd by Dave Cotner. Roll call was all in favor.

Each member received copies in their packet of computer generated Management Reports for end of September (original to be signed by Council and Mayor); Primary Checking Account Reconciliation (to be signed by Mayor and Council); Paid and/or due bills presented to Council on a spreadsheet, and Then & Now Purchase Orders for September.

Also included was the Mayor's monthly statement for September and Mayor's Court activity with breakdown attached.

Chad asked about the expenditure of \$411.00 for paint, this was for striping the streets, he also asked about the retro expenditure; this was for Billue's pay when Chief was on vacation.

Carole Dreier made a motion to approve all paid and due bills, 2nd by Chad Brown; roll call was all in favor.

Mayor asked Carolyn Davis to give her report on the Finance Committee that met 09-24-13.

They discussed increasing council pay from 25.00 to 50.00 per meeting; committee made a motion to recommend that to council.

They also discussed a 3% increase for hourly workers for a 3 year period, with a review at end of the 3 year period. Committee will recommend this to Council with additions for Police Lt., Police Sgt., and Police Cpl to give them a higher rate than regular officers since they have additional duties.

The subject of hiring new employees in at the same rate as established employees was discussed. A range of pay may be fairer to employees who have been here many years. Committee can discuss this next year.

Next, committee discussed the funds, amended certificate for CDBG funds. Solicitor has Ordinance prepared for tonight.

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Committee discussed an increase of 3% on utility bills beginning 01-01-2014, as Fairfield Utilities increases our billing by 3% the first of each year. Committee recommended that this be taken to council for approval.

Committee discussed a new or used vac machine, the one we have is quite old, we purchased from Pickerington some time ago. We have \$25,000.00 appropriated for it.

Police Officer Jake Jackson gave the Police Report for September 2013, council had no questions.

Mayor Drobina reported the Bullet Proof Vest grant was approved and the Police Chief will begin the ordering process for the officers who need one.

Dennis Rose- Zoning Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer reported that he has an application for re-zoning of 58 W. Canal St. from VR to VC. A zoning meeting will need to be scheduled for the application. A violation of Property Maintenance Code has been corrected.

Solicitor Report- Mr. Feyko reported five new pieces of legislation on agenda, all have emergency language but do not need to be passed as emergency: Agreement for County to Snow Plow; Increase Utility Rates; Amend Wages for hourly workers and Council; Appropriations for CDBG Grant; and Move Line Items in General Fund. Also five Ordinances up for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

Mayor's Report. Each Member of Council had a copy.

\*She reported on the Carroll Interchange project, it has been funded and is scheduled to begin construction in the spring of 2015, with completion in the fall of 2016.

\*CDBG curb project was bid for the 3rd time on August 30<sup>th</sup>. This fell through due to the contractor's negligence. It may still be bid again soon, the Mayor is hoping it can still be done this year.

\*She commented on the decorative trash cans received from Local Waste placed downtown and in Benson Park.

\*She stated there will be a special event on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 4:00 p.m. in Benson Park to honor veterans. It will include a flag retirement ceremony and is being organized by Ryan Riggs as his Eagle Scout project. All veterans and the public are invited

\*The last Farmers Market will be October 20. Trick or Treat is set for Oct. 31, from 6-7:30p.m. (Mayor's report is on file at the clerk's office in its entirety.)

Under Old Business, Mayor reported the OPWC grant for new utility meters has been filed.

She also stated that in all our information on purchasing a new cruiser for our Police Dept. it has never been mentioned where we are going for the financing. Peoples Bank is loaning the Village money for this, all papers have been filed and ready for us to sign as soon as we get a delivery date. The additional equipment will not be financed, only the vehicle cost.

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No new business.

1<sup>st</sup> reading on Ordinance 2013-18, agreement for Snow Plowing by County.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2013-19, Increasing Water & Sewer Rates.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2013-20, Amending wages of hourly employees and Council. At this time the Mayor said the President Pro-Tem has typically received \$5 more per meeting and asked if Council wanted to continue that. Motion to amend 2013-20 to read that the President Pro-Tem of Council would receive an extra \$5.00 per meeting made by Carolyn Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patricia Pierce, roll call was all in favor except Chad Brown and David Cotner voted no, motion carried. Mayor asked the Solicitor to amend Ordinance 2013-20.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2013-21 Appropriation for CDBG project (curbs). Chad Brown made a motion to suspend the three reading rule, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Cotner, roll call was all in favor.

Carole Dreier made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-21, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chad Brown; roll call vote was all in favor.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2013-22, an Ordinance to move line items in the Appropriations and declare an emergency, necessary for current expenses. Chad Brown made a motion to suspend the 3 reading rule, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Cotner, roll call all in favor. David Cotner made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-22, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chad Brown; roll call was all in favor.

Mayor held the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading on the next five Ordinances:

2013-12 Ordinance amending Ord. 2001-04 (Park Rules);

2013-13 Storage of Certain Material declared a Nuisance;

2013-14 Parking of Recreational Vehicles in Residential District; this was discussed and David Cotner made a motion to change from 2 pieces of equipment to 3, Clarence Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Roll call was Cotner, Thomas and Pierce, yes. Brown, Dreier and Davis voted no. Mayor to break tie. Mayor Drobina voted no, she felt the Ordinance should stand as written.

It was also discussed to change the Ordinance from 4 hours of parking in the front yard to 24 hours. Dave Cotner made a motion to change to 24 hours, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chad Brown. Roll call vote was all in favor except Carole Dreier and Carolyn David voted no. Motion carried. Solicitor will amend Ordinance for third reading.

2013-15 Removal of abandoned and other motor vehicles;

2013-16 Storage of junk vehicles & other motor vehicles.

Clerk had no written report; each member did receive a copy of delinquent bills, still very high, \$6,343.53 at the end of September

Clerk also reported on the Continuing Education class she attended in Athens today. Changes in PERS must get refund forms for any council or board members who are paying into PERS as they are paid per meeting not a salary.

Other items clerk will go over with the Mayor and discuss to see if some changes we will implement.

Clarence Thomas brought up the subject of golf carts. He asked why it went to committee and did not go to council.

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Mayor and some Council members explained to him that it is covered in the ORC and committee did not act on it for that reason. Thomas felt committee was making decisions, Mayor said topics go to committees for review and when the report is given at council meeting any Council member can ask for further discussion at that time. The committee's recommendations are brought to Council and he is welcome to attend any committee meeting.

Thomas also questioned why it was sent to Service and not Safety, Mayor said it could go to either and she sent it to Service because a meeting was already scheduled. Solicitor agreed that it could go to either committee.

Each member received a copy of the Village Administrator's monthly report, Income tax report from RITA, and Work Hours Report.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting of Council is November 12, 2013 @ 7:00 P.M.

MAYORS APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_

CLERK \_\_\_\_\_  
Meeting was recorded