

LOUDONVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

May 1, 2017

The Loudonville Village Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Loudonville Fire Station. Mayor Steve Stricklen called the meeting to order and answering roll call were Mr. Bill Welsh, Mrs. Traci Cooper, Mr. Tom Young, Mr. Roy Wilson, Mr. Michael Robinson and Mr. Jason Van Sickle. Also in attendance at the meeting were Village Solicitor Thom Gilman, Village Administrator Curt Young, Fiscal Officer Elaine Van Horn, Karen Motz, Kristin Wilson, Fire Chief Mike Carey, Tammi Carey, Robert Stewart, R.C. Stewart, Lara Kiefer, Elaine Kiefer, Allison Kiefer, Joe Kiefer, Ron Kiefer, Brad Stull, Stacey Dilgard, Brad Dilgard, Dan & Kayla Robinson, and Loudonville Times Reporter Jim Brewer.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Stricklen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SWEARING IN: Mayor Stricklen swore in Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Kiefer. After the oath of office, his father Ron Kiefer pinned on his badge. Mayor Stricklen expressed appreciation to the Fire Department for their continued progress under their new leadership, noting that the transition is going smoothly.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Council Minutes – April 17, 2017: Councilwoman Cooper moved the minutes be approved as presented. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

GUESTS: Karen Motz of the Community Help Mission distributed flyers to the council members outlining the Summer Food Service Program that they are again offering this summer starting June 6 every Tuesday through Friday from 11:30 to 12:30. She noted that the program is provided by the Ohio State Department of Education, sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, and managed by the Loudonville Public Library and the Community Help Mission staff. Library representative Kristin Wilson noted that they have submitted a request to use Central Park again for the program, with the Mayor noting that Council would be acting on that request under new business.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 19-2017

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BASE SALARIES FOR THE VARIOUS PERSONNEL AND DEPARTMENTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF LOUDONVILLE, OHIO, DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2017 AND THEREAFTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Solicitor Gilman noted that the ordinance represents amendments only to Section 6 for lifeguard wages.

EMERGENCY MEASURE VOTE

Councilwoman Cooper moved to suspend the rules and Councilman Welsh seconded that Ordinance No. 19-2017 be declared an emergency measure and that the rules of the law, which require an ordinance to be read on three different days, be suspended with respect to Ordinance No. 19-2017. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION VOTE

Councilwoman Cooper moved that Ordinance No. 19-2017 be passed as read. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Village Surplus Auction: Administrator Young reminded Council that the auction is set for May 12 at 2:00.

Sidewalk Repairs: Administrator Young reported that he has sent letters to seven property owners on North Spring Street encouraging them to repair their sidewalks.

County Disaster Training Event: Chief Carey advised Council that the Fire Department is working with many other agencies around the County to create a mock disaster at Centerra Co-Op's Loudonville facility (DBA Town & Country) on State Route 3 North on June 7 at 6:00 PM. He noted that a full-scale county disaster training such as this one is scheduled every four years.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Chapter 240 Fire Department: Councilman Welsh advised Council that the Safety Committee would be meeting with Chief Carey and Solicitor Gilman to review Chapter 240 of the Village's Codified Ordinances with regard to Fire Department and EMS operations. He asked Council to present any questions or proposed changes to him for committee review and discussion.

No Turn on Red Sign – Main & Water: Councilman Young noted he had received a request that Council consider changing the *No Turn on Red* sign at Main & Water Streets to a *No Turn on Red during School Hours* sign. He noted he spoke with Chief Taylor about the request and that Chief Taylor was not opposed to the change. Solicitor Gilman stated that ODOT would have to be contacted to approve the change.

Missing Street Sign: Councilman Robinson reported he had received a complaint of a missing street sign on Burwell Avenue. Administrator Young noted he would look into it.

Dog Fence Complaint: Councilman Van Sickle noted that the Village had received a complaint from a dog owner using the dog park that the fence was in need of repair as her dog was able to escape under it. Councilman Wilson stated that the fencing material used by the girl scouts when they completed the project was not heavy enough and that it was curling up at the bottom. Council briefly discussed whether it should be taken down or repaired. Councilman Young stated that the dog park gets a lot of use. Administrator Young agreed to get a quote to replace and/or repair the fence.

Legion Pool Donation: Councilman Van Sickle reported that the American Legion Post 257 was again going to donate \$2000 for children 18 and under to swim free at the pool on Tuesdays. Mayor Stricklen expressed appreciation to the Legion for their continued generous donations to the community.

Theatre Voucher Donation: Councilman Van Sickle asked council to consider a request from the Hillsdale Relay for Life team for a couple theatre passes. Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve the donation of two 4-person movie passes. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Mohican MTB100: Councilman Wilson moved to approve the requests from Ryan O'Dell of the Mohican MTB100 for a banner permit and park usage (street) for June 3. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Wilson, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Library Park Usage Requests: Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve the following park usage requests from the Loudonville Library for the fountain quadrant:

May 31 5-9 PM Summer Reading Program Kick-Off
June 21 12:30-2 PM Fire Department Water Event
June 6-Aug 18 11-1 Tuesdays through Fridays Lunch Program

Second by Councilman Robinson. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Wilson, yes; Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Mohican Area Community Fund: Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve the MACF park usage request for the SE quadrant of Central park on July 14 from 8 AM to 2 PM for their Health & Agency Fair event. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Loudonville Youth Association: Councilman Van Sickle moved to approve the request from the LYA for use of the ball fields for their summer program from May through August. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Wilson, yes; Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes. Motion carried.

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Tree City USA Region 6 Event: Mayor Stricklen reported that the Tree City USA Region 6 event hosted by the Village of Loudonville on April 26 was a success. He conveyed the days' events, including the opening program held in the Theatre, the tree planting in Central Park, lunch at the Legion followed by the ODNR Division of Forestry awards ceremony. The Mayor expressed his appreciation to the Tree Commission and Fiscal Office employees Elaine Van Horn and Jane Hollinger for putting together what he said was an outstanding program with excellent feedback from the attendees of other communities. He noted that the tree planting in Central Park was in honor of long-time Tree Commission member Joyce Chipner, who was retiring from the Commission after serving 19 years.

Tree Commission Appointment: With the retirement of Joyce Chipner from the Tree Commission, Mayor Stricklen announced he was appointing Nicole Shearer to the Commission. Councilman Welsh moved to approve the appointment. Second by Councilman Wilson. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

CLAIMS ORDINANCE 2017-09:

Claims Ordinance 2017-09 was presented for approval. Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve Claims Ordinance 2017-09. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: With no further business to be brought before Council, Councilman Welsh moved the meeting be adjourned at 6:25 PM. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Welsh, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Wilson, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor