

**Record of Proceedings  
Village of Aquilla  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2016**

Council members present: Mr. Eging, Ms. Bennington, Mr. Glover, Ms. Mitchell, Mr. Vodicka, Mr. Locher

Others present: Fiscal Officer Amy Vodicka, Assistant Fiscal Officer Linda Petkosek, Zoning Inspector Larry Jenkins, Road Commissioner Russell Fleckenstein and village resident Tim Sherer.

Mayor Richard Wolfe presiding. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2016 were reviewed. Motion by Ms. Mitchell to approve the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Vodicka. Roll call vote all yes.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The following bills for May were presented for payment:

2355	Geauga County Auditor	\$ 438.68
2356	Amy Vodicka	\$ 49.95
2357	OPERS	\$ 124.59
2358	Windstream Western Reserve Telephone	\$ 99.14
2359	Illuminating Company	\$ 574.90
2360	ASAP Sanitary Services	\$ 95.00
2361	Five Star Fire	\$ 9.93

Total Payments: \$1,392.19

- Motion by Mr. Glover, second by Ms. Mitchell to pay bills; roll call vote all yes.
- Council also received the bank statement as of April 30, 2016 showing a balance of \$112,486.56.
- Council also received the following financial reports:
  - UAN reconciliation balance as of April 30, 2016 is 112,486.56
  - Purchase orders: 21-2016 to 33-2016 totaling \$15,900.06
  - UAN April receipt list totaling \$4,704.28
  - UAN April payment list totaling \$1,392.98
  - UAN fund status report: 5 funds totaling \$112,486.56
- Motion was made by Ms. Bennington to accept financial reports as presented; second by Mr. Vodicka. Roll call vote all yes.

**EXCESS EQUIPMENT**

Items discussed: 2 service revolvers (stored in safe deposit box) and obsolete printer. Ms. Vodicka will obtain 3 sale quotes for revolvers from licensed dealers; printer will be disposed of.

**LEVY**

The current renewal levy expires in 2016. Ms. Petkosek noted that action must be taken to prevent future fiscal emergency. She presented three levy options:

- Renewal (gross income: \$6,708, approx. homeowner cost \$44.18/year for \$100K home)
  - Replacement (gross income: \$17,864, approx. homeowner cost \$140/year for \$100K home)
  - New 1 Mil Levy (gross income: \$4,400, approx. homeowner cost \$35/year for \$100K home)
- After consideration and discussion, motion was made by Mr. Eging, second by Ms. Bennington, to place a renewal levy on the November 2016 ballot. Roll call vote all yes.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Basketball hoop was installed; Mayor Wolfe would like Chardon to contribute to the baseball field upkeep. The field is currently being used by the Chardon baseball/T-ball organization without their help in maintaining the field; it's also a concern that Aquilla has not been supplied with their insurance certificate.
- Blinds: Mayor Wolfe will purchase the additional blinds for Town Hall.
- Tree Removal: Mayor Wolfe noted concern with a large, dead tree at the corner of the baseball field that could damage the pavilion and/or the fence if it fell. He will contact Kevin Knife to discuss removing the tree.

## **ZONING**

- 140 Turner: Mr. Jenkins reported that he has given the homeowner at 140 Turner a deadline (May 1) to repair the garage on the property and remove inoperable vehicles.
- 138 Turner: Mr. Jenkins informed Council that Harbor Portfolio, LLC has offered to donate 138 Turner to the Village. Council unanimously declined the donation, asking Mr. Jenkins to advise Solicitor Gillette that the donation was declined, and to follow-up with Harbor Portfolio, LLC regarding the timely repair or removal the house on the property. Ms. Bennington advised that she contacted the EPA regarding the tear-down of a property; it is the homeowner's responsibility.
- Fence: A dispute arose between two homeowners on Goredon regarding the proper installation of a fence, specifically which way the finished side should show. Council agreed that the decision should be made by the person who purchased the fence.
- Zoning Applications: Mr. Jenkins gave Ms. Vodicka Zoning Permit Application # 929 for a new residence and # 930 for a roof extension, along with checks for the application fees totaling \$402.80.

## **ROADS**

Mayor Wolfe would like to contact Hazen and/or Quality Paving for patching estimates.

## **ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW**

Village resident Tim Sherer presented a flyer to Council advertising the Arts & Crafts Show in July.

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, motion was made by Ms. Mitchell, second by Ms. Bennington to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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Amy Vodicka, Fiscal Officer

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Mayor Richard Wolfe