

Minutes of April 19, 2010 Council Meeting

Meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag.

The West Alexandria Village Council met in regular session in the Town Hall on Monday, April 19, 2010. Those council persons present were David Mays, Holly Robbins, Debra Smith, and Jim Wick. Mitch Suggs arrived late. Ian Campbell was absent.

Motion:

Holly Robbins moved to approve the March 15, 2010, minutes, seconded by David Mays.
VV: 4 yea.

Bills #31271 – 31338 and 12122 – 12150 totaling \$158,487.61 were presented to Council for payment. Check 31339 refunded \$199.93 to Glatfelter Claims for overpayment of an insurance claim. Jim Wick moved to pay the bills, seconded by Debra Smith. Roll call vote: 4 yea.

GUESTS:

Karen Mays, Kevin Thorpe, Barb Bambeck, Conrad Bambeck, Paul Erslan, Mark Ulrich, Asst. Chief Gasper, Roy Kouts, and Chris Day. Paul Erslan advised council of the dangerous situation at Summit Street and Dayton Street. Summit Street is narrow. If a vehicle is turning onto Summit from Dayton Street, there is not much room for two vehicles. He would like to see no parking on Summit Street about 30 feet from the stop sign.

Mitch Suggs arrived at 7:06 P.M.

Chris Day stated there was no parking before Dr. Bland's office was there. He suggests that the area go back to "no parking" since the building is vacant. If the building is vacant for two months it reverts back to R-2. The doctor's office was there before zoning. Mitch Suggs also suggested limiting parking east and west on Dayton Street at Summit Street. Chris Day suggested waiting on marking Dayton Street.

Motion:

Mitch Suggs moved to revert back to no parking on Summit Street on the east side from Dayton Street south to the first alley, seconded by David Mays. Roll call vote: 5 yea.

Roy Kouts stated that the library wants permission to hang a banner across Dayton Street about the library levy. The soccer league wants to put up a banner in May for sign ups. Rick Faber stated that if you permit one organization to do it for a political purpose, the village will have to permit other organizations to do it. An entity should be politically neutral. Council will take under advisement.

CLERK:

Gave the March financial report.

MAYOR:

Read a proclamation for "Bob Evans Day". She also attended the General Health District program. Mayor Lunsford performed two marriages. She thanked the fire department for the tour of the station and the food.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Third reading of A Resolution Adopted Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03 in Preparation to Placing a Tax Levy on the Ballot at the November, 2010 General Election by title.

Motion:

Mitch Suggs moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Holly Robbins. Roll call vote: 5 yea.

EMS:

Mayor Lunsford stated that Chief Martin would like to have Wendell Mackie and Brittany Hawkins approved for the squad. Both have passed their drug screens and are certified EMTs.

Motion:

Jim Wick moved to approve the appointments, seconded by Debra Smith. Roll call vote: 5 yea.

POLICE:

Asst. Chief Gasper gave the March report. The department is organizing the evidence room. Freddie Alcorn has finished his training. Chief Webb recommends Freddie Alcorn be appointed as a part time officer. Mayor Lunsford appointed Officer Alcorn as a part time officer.

Motion:

Jim Wick moved to approve the appointment and pay Officer Alcorn \$8.48 an hour, seconded by Holly Robbins. Roll call vote: 5 yea.

Rick Faber read the definition for a “political sign” according to the village ordinances. No sign can be put over the public right of way. He will keep researching. May 17th will be the pow wow at Peace Park.

INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR:

Karen Mays stated that she will not be giving council written reports, since they receive a financial report from the clerk. She will be attending the SWOTAA quarterly meeting. Karen Mays will be filing over 100 complaints in court. The income tax review board will have a hearing on May 3rd.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mayor Lunsford reported that Bill Bliss issued permits for a sign and a beauty salon. Kevin Thorpe stated that the Planning Commission recommends Shannon Smith for the vacant seat on the Planning Commission.

Motion:

David Mays moved to appoint Shannon Smith to the planning commission, seconded by Debra Smith. Roll call vote: 5 yea.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Day reported that there is an annexation in the process on US 35. The individual has submitted a map to the Tax Map Department. The map needs a few changes. Mr. Day explained the procedure for annexation. Council may have the paperwork by next meeting. Mr. Day is looking at the street paving. He has put together a map. Estimates are \$69,000.00. The village may bid out or bid with the county. He is looking at both options. There have been complaints on graffiti at the park on the playground equipment. The service department has tried different things, but so far nothing has removed the graffiti. Mr. Day contacted the manufacturer for suggestions. He is looking into the cost of cameras for the park. Mr. Day will check with Kevin Thorpe about Lakengren’s security cameras. Bill Bliss and Chris Day are working on updating the zoning map. There are several mistakes to correct on the first draft. Sean Maggard will load it onto Chris’s and Bill’s computers. After it is completed, the map will be put on the county auditor’s site. Chief Webb is checking on junk cars. Some properties need maintenance. Most properties have been mowed. In May, the City of Dayton is putting on a water symposium to promote the availability of good water. Chris will be attending. The department purchased a new mower. They are patching pot holes and replacing street signs.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Debra Smith stated she heard the tornado siren go off. She wanted to know why the siren is not blowing for fire calls. David Mays explained why the siren was not blowing for fires. The current siren was purchased with grant money and is for tornado warnings only. It was hard to distinguish the tornado siren from the old fire siren, as the tornado siren rotates as it blows. The old siren is no longer working. Debra Smith wants the siren to blow for fire calls, especially during the day. Mayor Lunsford will talk with Chief Shafer. Mitch Suggs stated that if the siren blows for fire calls, then it should blow for EMS calls.

Motion:

Holly Robbins moved to adjourn, seconded by Debra Smith. Motion carried.

PASSED: _____