

Minutes of May19, 2008 Council Meeting

Meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag. The invocation was given by Mayor Lunsford.

The West Alexandria Village Council met in regular session in the Town Hall on Monday, May 19, 2008. Those council persons present were Ian Campbell, David Mays, Ron Nisius, Russ Schenck, Mitch Suggs, and Greg Thompson.

Motion:

Mitch Suggs moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on May 5, 2008, seconded by David Mays. VV: 6 yea.

Bills #29946– 29988 and 11509 – 11522 totaling \$65,036.16 were presented to Council for payment.

Motion:

Ron Nisius moved to pay the village bills, seconded by Russ Schenck. Roll call vote: 6 yea.

GUESTS:

Mark Ulrich, Ray Waldeck, Chris Arnold, Stephanie Vennard, Valen Vennard, Paula Penny, Ryan Peverly, Karen Mays, and Asst. Chief Tim Timson. Stephanie Vennard stated that it has been quiet in the neighborhood for the past twenty-four hours. Her husband was threatened. Chris Arnold asked about the status of the residence on W. Dayton Street. David Mays reported that he and Chris Day met with Mr. Copeland about the legal aspects and what the village could do. Mr. Day took notes. The Village has to do things step by step following the ORC. Mr. Day sends a letter to the property owner, then the village turns it over to the prosecuting attorney for further action if the property owner does not comply. Incidents must be documented. The neighbors should call the police if they are threatened. Mr. Arnold stated he has documented things for years through the police department. He wants to know why the village ordinance is not enforced.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor read a letter from Ohio Valley Region Model "A" Ford Club thanking the Mayor for making the "Tour of Bridges of Preble County" a successful tour.

CLERK:

Gave the April financial report.

MAYOR:

Stated that the next council meeting is scheduled for June 2nd, which is graduation night for Twin Valley South. She asked council if they wanted to change the date. Council does not want to change the date. Mayor Lunsford stated that the Third Street School asked council, EMS, Fire, and the Police departments to lunch on June 2nd at 11:00 A.M.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Second reading of Resolution Amending 2008 Estimated Revenue and Appropriations for the Village of West Alexandria, Ohio, by title.

Motion:

Russ Schenck moved to waive three readings, seconded by Greg Thompson. Roll call vote: 6 yea.

Motion:

Greg Thompson moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Russ Schenck. Roll call vote: 6 yea.

Third reading of Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Village of West Alexandria, Ohio, Revising, Amending, Restating, Codifying, and Compiling Certain Existing General Ordinances of Said Village Dealing with Subjects Embraced in such Code of Ordinances by title.

Motion:

Mitch Suggs moved to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Russ Schenck. Roll call vote: 6 yea.

POLICE:

Asst. Chief Timson thanked the Mayor and Council for the flowers for Police Memorial Day. The department has an ongoing investigation on the activity at Smith Street. The department is citing people for noise violation.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Chris Day was ill.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

David Mays stated that tenants could be evicted by the landlord if they did things that their lease said a tenant could not do. Mr. Copeland suggested going after the tenants civilly. Mr. Copeland is going to send a written list of guidelines on how to proceed on this matter. Russ Schenck suggested council clean up the property and bill the landlord.

STORM DRAINS:

Russ Schenck stated that it has been raining and the service department has not been able to repair the storm drains. Chris Day has marked the drains and the department will work on them when the weather permits.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mitch Suggs asked about the hard copies of the recodified village ordinances. The village ordinances are available online and each department will receive a hard copy. Paula Penny stated that the storm drain in her driveway is not a village storm drain, but it is the only one in her neighborhood. She wants the village to clean it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ian Campbell reported that his neighbor asked if anything could be done about a neighbor who has graveled the backyard. The neighbor keeps his dogs there and does not clean up after them. The area smells. The person needs to make a written complaint to the village administrator.

Motion:

David Mays moved to adjourn, seconded by Ian Campbell.

PASSED: _____