

**Village of Wellington
Council Meeting Minutes**

Barbara O'Keefe, Mayor

**Council: President Jeff Hyde, Sandy Denes, Helen Dronsfield,
Steve Maurer, Hans Schneider, Guy Wells**

Council Chambers

Monday July 15, 2013

7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:20 PM:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-17 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE VILLAGE TAX BUDGET FOR 2014

Mayor O'Keefe opened the Public Hearing. Roll Call: Hyde – Present; Denes – Present; Dronsfield – Absent; Maurer – Present; Schneider – Present; Wells – Present.

There were no questions or comments concerning Resolution No. 2013-17. Motion by Hyde, 2nd by Maurer to close the public hearing at 7:25 PM Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor O'Keefe called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Jeff Hyde – Present	Councilman Steve Maurer - Present
Councilwoman Sandy Denes – Present	Councilman Hans Schneider - Present
Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield – Absent	Councilman Guy Wells – Present

Others Present – Village Manager Pyles, Finance Director Shaw, Law Director Bond, Public Works Superintendent Brasee, Electric Superintendent Bealer, Police Chief Rollins, Police Sergeant Bryant, Zoning Inspector Furcron, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Main Street Wellington Rep. Patti Young, Enterprise Reporter Cait Wasmundt

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion by Denes, 2nd by Hyde to approve minutes of the July 1, 2013 meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "aye".

4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Approval of Expenditures for July 15, 2013

101 GEN	\$ 30,869.30
201 STREET CM&R	\$ 5,306.27
401 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 1,109.36
DEBT SERVICE	\$ (3,309.04) (Ck written in error)
501 WATER	\$ 4,639.21
502 SEWER	\$ 1,951.42
503 ELECT	\$ 13,153.18
504 TRASH	\$ 25,683.97
505 CABLE TV FRANCHISE	\$ 47,396.00
508 CONSUMER DEPOSITS	\$ 1,874.81
SUBTOTAL	\$128,674.48
PAY 14	\$ 92,573.75
GRAND TOTAL	\$221,248.23

Motion by Hyde, 2nd by Maurer to approve the expenses for July 15, 2013. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "aye".

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

- Mayor O'Keefe – Mayor O'Keefe reported that the second Council Meeting in August would be the first day of the Lorain County Fair. Mr. Hyde made a motion to cancel

the second meeting in August and to have a second meeting only if needed; all committee meetings will be held before the August 5th meeting 2nd by Maurer, roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

- Law Director Bond - Nothing
- Police Chief Rollins – Nothing
- Finance Director Shaw – Ms. Shaw stated that her report was in the packet; Ms. Shaw reported that she had begun working on the analysis for the last quarter using the new funding formula. She stated that the Department Heads cut their second half blanket PO's into quarters, so she was able to get more accurate numbers for the final quarter. She mentioned that she had also prepared a mid-year budget analysis in regards to spending for each department and reported that all departments were right on track. Ms. Shaw mentioned that she will be reviewing the collection policy in the future and would like to have her staff begin to make utility collection calls and use the collection agency as a last resort.
- Village Manager Pyles – Mr. Pyles stated that his report and his Superintendents reports were in the packet. Mr. Pyles reported that the SR 58 closing signs were installed and SR 58 would be closed at the RR tracks on Monday for a 14 day period. He also reported that the Cable Commission met the previous week and they are studying ways to improve the quantity of Wellington programming. Mr. Pyles reported that he would be reaching out to GLWB to meet to discuss the integration of additional programming on Channel 12. Ms. Denes asked whether or not the Commission had any ideas pertaining to the additional content; Mr. Pyles explained that they would like to make sure school and community events such as graduations, performances, and parades were televised, which were previously aired but not been aired recently. Mr. Pyles reported that the power outages were both related to lightning strikes. The first was due to a direct strike of the village's grid; the other was due to a strike on First Energy's line that fed back to the village's sub-station. Mr. Pyles explained that the component which failed had been replaced in house and that the sub-station was back up and operational. Mr. Pyles reported that the village had 2 ¼ inches of rain in a one hour period, and reminded residents to always be aware of flooded streets and to use precaution in town as they would on flooded country roads.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance - Mr. Hyde reported that the finance Committee met before the Council Meeting and the Fire Board will meet on July 17th at 7:00 PM. The next Finance Committee meeting is August 5, 2013. Motion by Mr. Maurer to give increases to the four Foreman who were taken off of probation at the July 1st meeting effective on July 20, 2013 – Brian Howk \$26.86 per hour, John Honoshofsky \$25.28 per hour, Joe Brasee \$26.56 per hour and Kurtis Linden \$23.24 per hour, 2nd by Wells. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.
- Police – Mr. Maurer reported that the minutes from the last meeting were in the packet and the committee will meet before the Council Meeting on August 5th. Ambulance Board will meet on August 14, 2013.
- Public Works – Mr. Schneider reported that the Town Hall entrance project was running on schedule, and the next Public Works committee meeting would be on August 5, 2013.
- Utility – Ms. Denes reported that the committee met prior to the Council meeting. Ms. Denes made a motion to hire Nathan Meyers as a lineman apprentice at a rate of \$18.50 per hour and to begin as soon as available, 2nd by Hyde. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. The next Utility Committee meeting will be August 5, 2013 before the Council Meeting.
- Ordinance – Ordinance Committee will meet on August 5, 2013 prior to the Council meeting, the Fire Chief will be present for the meeting to discuss the downtown

vacant building issue.

- Patti Young from Main Street Wellington reported that the Celebration in the Park on Wednesday July 3rd was a great success. She also reported that the 13th Annual Cheese Festival was the coming weekend beginning Friday evening and ending Sunday at 6 PM, and invited the residents to come and enjoy the Festival.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-17**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE VILLAGE TAX BUDGET FOR 2014 AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE **3rd Reading**
Motion by Denes to approve the 3rd reading, 2nd by Wells. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

- **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-22**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE HOUSING COUNCIL MEETING BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HOUSING COUNCIL MEMBERS AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY **2nd Reading**
Motion by Hyde to approve the 2nd reading, 2nd by Denes. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

- **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-23**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE **1st Reading**
Motion by Hyde to suspend the rules, 2nd by Maurer. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion by Wells to approve the Ordinance as read, 2nd by Hyde. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

- **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-24**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT AND REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE "BORROWER") TO REIMBURSE ITS SEWER FUND FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS, LOAN PROJECT NO. CT16Q, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT DEBT OF THE STATE OF OHIO AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE **1st Reading**

- **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-25**

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PURSUANT TO OHIO R.C. 731.23 BY ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **1st Reading**

8. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Maurer thanked the village employees for a quick clean up after all of the storms. Mayor O'Keefe thanked the village employees for the clean up after the 4th of July celebration, and also mentioned that the front steps looked nice. Mr. Maurer mentioned that the ball tournaments at the Rec. Park went smoothly.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Police Chief Rollins mentioned that Safety Town, for all children entering Kindergarten in the Wellington School District this year, would be held on August 5 – 9, from 10 AM to 11:30 AM at the Auxiliary Building on Kelly St. Registration forms are at the Police Department. Ms. Denes mentioned that Mr. Pyles had given an OK to proceed with Town Hall tours during the Cheese Festival on Sunday.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Denes 2nd by Maurer to Adjourn at 7:55 PM

