

**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 October 21, 2013	7:30 p.m.
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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 – Mayor O'Keefe, Village Manager Pyles, Finance Director Shaw, Law Director Bond, Electric Superintendent Bealer, Public Works Superintendent Brasee, Police Chief Rollins, Water/Waste Water Superintendent Rosemark, Zoning Inspector Furcron, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Enterprise Reporter Cait Wasmundt, and residents Mark Bughman, John Sams and William LeVan.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Wells, 2nd by Schneider to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2013 meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

4. **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Mr. Maurer asked about a bill to be paid to “Pathmaster” Mr. Bealer explained that it was for LED traffic signal parts. Ms. Shaw mentioned that Mr. Maurer and Ms. Denes had asked about a bill to be paid to “Premier Graphic Solutions”, which was for Utility Bill printing.

101	Gen	\$ 23,071.32
205	Police Pension	\$ 5,505.65
208	Permissive	\$ 8,395.14
401	Cap. Improvements	\$ 4,478.11
501	Water	\$ 16,432.50
502	Sewer	\$ 6,098.30
503	Electric	\$ 13,217.05
	Power Bills	\$ 484,609.54
504	Garbage	\$ 25,683.97
505	Cable Fund	\$ 9,398.00
506	Consumer Deposits	\$ 3,006.25

Motion by Denes to approve the bills, 2nd by Maurer. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

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

- Mayor O'Keefe
- Law Director Bond
- Police Chief Rollins – Chief Rollins reminded residents of the national prescription drug turn in day, October 26, 2013 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He also reminded residents that there is a prescription drug vault in the foyer of the Police Station that is accessible at any time. Chief Rollins recommended pulling labels from the bottles, if the residents did not pull them, his staff would.

- Finance Director Shaw – Ms. Shaw mentioned that her report was included in the packet, and also mentioned that the Council Members will all be paid monthly instead of quarterly, in order to adhere to OPERS guidelines. She also reported that the department heads would be submitting their budget requests to Mr. Pyles and her for 2014. She explained that she had provided the department heads with their historical expenditure data beginning in 2009 through September 2013. Ms. Shaw reported that it made sense for the department heads to make their own budget proposals instead of Ms. Shaw choosing the budget amount on her own. Ms. Shaw also pointed out that she had made collection calls personally to a customer who blatantly ignored calls from the office. She was able to collect on the account. She also mentioned that Rita and Vanya had made between 50 and 75 collection calls this month.
- Village Manager Pyles – Mr. Pyles mentioned that his report and his Superintendents reports were in the packet. He also mentioned that the leaf pickup had begun and will be continuing for the next several months. Mr. Pyles reported that the north side of the “run-around” track had been connected and is complete; CSX began running trains on the track at the time of the meeting. CSX has to run one million tons of freight on the track before they can increase speeds on the track (which is expected to be reached the same night). After the freight had been run, CSX would inspect and perform necessary maintenance to the track and would increase the speed to 25 MPH, and will gradually ramp it back up to the designed speed. Mr. Pyles reported that on Monday Oct. 28th CSX will tie the other track in. He also mentioned that Beaver Construction will begin pouring a new section of Clay St., weather permitting, within the next week. Mr. Maurer asked whether or not part of the existing concrete on Clay St. would be removed; Mr. Pyles explained that yes, part of the old would be removed. Mr. Schneider asked what the designed speed for the “run-around” track was, Mr. Pyles reported that he thought it to be 45 MPH. Mr. Maurer reported that he had spoken to a business owner (who owns property abutting to the newly resurfaced alley) about the alley reconstruction, and both the business owner and Mr. Maurer agreed on how nice the alley looks. He thanked Mr. Brasee and his men on the fine job. Mr. Wells agreed. Mr. Wells also reminded residents to mind the Ordinances and clean up after their dogs.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hyde reported that the committee had met before the Council Meeting, and will meet again the second meeting in November. He also mentioned that the Chili Cook off will be held on November 2, 2013 from 5 – 10 PM at the Eagles. Fire Board will meet on Nov. 6, 2013 at 7:00 PM. Mr. Hyde mentioned that Planning Commission would be having a meeting on Wednesday October 23, 2013 at 8:30 AM in Council Chambers.
- Police – Mr. Maurer reported that the next committee meeting is November 4, 2013 before the Council Meeting, and the Ambulance Board will meet on November 12, 2013 at 7:00 PM.
- Public Works – Mr. Schneider reported that the next meeting will be held on November 4, 2013 before the Council Meeting.
- Utility – Ms. Denes reported that the committee had met before the Council Meeting. She mentioned that Mr. Pyles had researched the Efficiency \$mart contract and recommended that the contract be extended for an additional three years, and will have legislation ready for the next Council Meeting. She mentioned that the phone/data system was moving along well. Ms. Denes asked that the information on opting in to the Village’s Caring Fund be printed on the Utility Bills, and on the Village Web Page. She mentioned that it is a great program and she encourages residents to round up their utility bills a few cents, which will help build the fund up, for families who may need help with their electric bill during the cold weather months. Ms. Denes

mentioned that she had met with Terry Boose at the Township Trustees Association meeting which was held in Wellington. She mentioned that Mr. Boose is still working with Lake Erie and Wheeling Rail Road on a resolution for cleaning up the rail bed downtown. The next committee meeting will be the second meeting in November.

- Ordinance – Mr. Wells reported that the next meeting will be November 4, 2013 before the Council Meeting. He mentioned that the Cable Commission had met and were dealing with ways of finishing the acquisition of and cataloging and tending to the archives which are being received from GLWB. No new meeting has been scheduled at this time. Ms. Denes asked Mr. Wells to add the South Alley trash issue onto the agenda for the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-33

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING RECEIPT OF CERTAIN ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE RECERTIFICATION OF ASSESSMENTS WITH THE OMISSION OF THE PROPERTIES FOR WHICH PAYMENTS HAVE NOW BEEN RECEIVED, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1st Reading

Motion by Denes 2nd by Wells to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

Motion by Wells 2nd by Maurer to approve the Ordinance as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-34

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THE VILLAGE’S SECTION 125 CAFETERIA PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1st Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-35

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR 1st Reading

Motion by Wells 2nd by Denes to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

Motion by Wells 2nd by Schneider to approve the Resolution as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-36

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1st Reading

8. OLD BUSINESS

Trick or Treat – Mayor O’Keefe reported that Trick or Treat would be held on Thursday October 31, 2013 from 6 – 7:30 PM.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Schneider announced that the Lady Dukes Soccer team had won 2-0 that night, in the district semi-final and would play again Thursday night for the district title at Elyria Catholic at 7:00 PM.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Maurer, 2nd by Hyde to adjourn at 7:45 PM