

**Village of Wellington
Council Meeting Minutes
Barbara O'Keefe, Mayor
Council: President Hans Schneider, Sandy Denes, Helen Dronsfield, Jeff Hyde,
Steve Maurer, Guy Wells**

Council Chambers	Monday September 15, 2014	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 Hans Schneider . Present Councilman Jeff Hyde . Present
 Councilwoman Sandy Denes . Present Councilman Steve Maurer . Present
 Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield . Present Councilman Guy Wells . Present
 Others Present: Mayor O'Keefe, Village Manager Pyles, Finance Director Shaw, Law Director Bond, Interim Police Chief Barrett, Electric Supt. Bealer, Public Works Supt. Brasee, Water and WW Supt. Rosemark, Police Sgt. Shelton, Police Officer Provoznik, Police Officer Davidson, SLCAD Director Wilkinson, Zoning Inspector Furcron, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Enterprise Reporter Valerie Urbanik, Residents Lisa Davidson and Beth Katz

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Ms. Denes asked that the minutes be amended, under New Business, to read (in bold): Ms. Denes asked if Marla could start including **a report** from Planning and Zoning in the council packets. Motion by Denes, 2nd by Hyde to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2014 meeting as amended. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **%yes+**.

4. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Mr. Maurer had a couple of questions regarding the bills; Mr. Brasee and Ms. Shaw answered his questions. Mr. Maurer asked Mr. Wells to please allow him to make inquiries and comments without interruption in the future. There was some discussion about Ms. Shaw's travel reimbursement; Mr. Maurer suggested Ms. Shaw and Mr. Pyles check the procedure as outlined in the employee handbook. Motion by Denes, 2nd by Schneider to approve the expenses and pay the bills, including Ms. Shaw's travel expenses. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **%yes+**.

101 Gen	\$	67,972.13
201 Street CM&R	\$	8,415.00
205 Police Pension	\$	6,691.70
208 Permissive	\$	2,303.94
211 Cemetery	\$	1,450.29
401 Capital	\$	73,780.80
501 Water	\$	23,253.62
502 Sewer	\$	29,471.07
WWTP PRJ (Kirk Bros)	\$	346,881.80
503 ELECT	\$	28,222.95
Power Bills	\$	27,773.92
504 Garbage	\$	24,931.47
506 Storm Sewer	\$	2,029.84
508 Consumer Deposits	\$	3,176.26
Pay 18	\$	88,178.71
Total	\$	732,533.50

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

- Mayor O'Keefe . Mayor O'Keefe reported that the Ashland Garden Club had called to compliment the village on the flower pots and baskets in the Central Business District. Mayor O'Keefe read a resolution commending the dedicated service of Joe Davidson during his 25 years of service. She commented that Joe would be greatly missed and thanked him for his dedication to the village.
- Law Director Bond . Nothing to report.
- Interim Police Chief Barrett . Chief Barrett reported that the Narcan program is underway and most of the officers had been trained.
- Finance Director Shaw . Ms. Shaw mentioned that her report was included in the packet and she would be happy to answer any questions.
- Village Manager Pyles . Mr. Pyles mentioned that his report and those of this superintendents were in the packet. He further mentioned that the Electric Department had removed many hazardous trees from the cemetery. Mr. Pyles thanked Officer Davidson for his help listing a vehicle on govdeals.com as it sold for more than what was offered on trade in. Mayor O'Keefe asked about the grade separation project; Mr. Pyles reported that the pile driving had been completed and they would be beginning the foundation of the electronic/pumping structure. He further reported that they would begin putting the foundation in for the beam seat, which will be raised, girders installed, followed by the bridge installation, all hopefully before winter. Mr. Maurer asked Mr. Pyles about the quiet zone; Mr. Pyles explained that he cannot proceed with the quiet zone until the grade separation is operational.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance . Mr. Hyde mentioned that the committee had met prior to the Council meeting. He reported that utility bills are due on or before the 15th of each month and that the online bill pay was up and running on the website. He encouraged residents to try it, and reminded everyone that there was a \$1,000 limit per account per month. Mr. Hyde also reported that RITA would be sending subpoenas to residents who have not paid their income taxes. He mentioned that RITA would be in the village on Nov. 21, 2014 to meet with those residents who received a subpoena letter, and is not for tax preparation services. Mr. Hyde reported that he had received some great feedback on an Electric Dept. employee, John Kiley, at the Fire Board meeting. He further reported that Mr. Kiley worked with the kindergarten children at Safety Town, and Chief Wetherbee and the Fire Department reported that he did a phenomenal job.
- Police . Mr. Maurer reported that the next Police committee meeting would be Oct. 6th prior to council and the Ambulance board would meet on Oct. 14th.
- Public Works . Ms. Dronsfield reported that the next committee meeting would be on Oct. 6th and would be discussing the possible hiring of a part time employee. She further reported that the Cemetery board appreciated the Electric Dept. removing the dead trees. She mentioned that one third of all burials are now cremations, and that they are still looking into building a cremation garden possibly in the spring. She further mentioned that Main Street Wellington would meet on the 18th at 8:00 AM.
- Utility . Ms. Denes reported that the committee had met prior to the Council meeting. She mentioned that bucket truck bids had been sent to several companies. She further mentioned that there had been a representative from NOPEC speak at the meeting concerning a gas aggregate program. She explained that Mr. Pyles, the Mayor and Council will look at the program very closely before they make any decisions on the matter. Ms. Denes also reported that the committee had discussed a water rate increase of 7%. She noted that there has not been a rate increase in eight years. The increase will be approximately \$3.31 per 7,000 gallons of water. The next Utility Committee meeting will be Oct. 20th prior to council.
- Ordinance . Mr. Wells reported that the committee will meet again on October 6th.

- Mr. Schneider wished Officer Joe Davidson luck on his future endeavors, and commented that he would be missed.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-29

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW SECTION 181.01(00) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, DEFINING ~~PER~~ENSION+FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES 3rd Reading
Motion by Denes, 2nd by Wells to move the third reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-31

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PRUSUANT TO OHIO R.C. 731.23 BY ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 3rd Reading

Motion by Maurer, 2nd by Denes to move the third reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-33

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 922.01, 922.04, 923.01 AND 923.02, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO BUILDING SEWERS 3rd Reading

Motion by Maurer, 2nd by Denes to move the third reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-38

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES RELATIVE TO VILLAGE COMMUNICATIONS AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1ST Reading

Motion by Hyde, 2nd by Schneider to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~ Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hyde to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-39

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUING APPOINTMENT OF A BUILDING OFFICIAL, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1ST Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-40

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE BY AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND APPROPRIATINS AS NEEDED FOR OPERATIONS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1St Reading

Motion by Hyde, 2nd by Denes to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~ Motion by Hyde, 2nd by Maurer to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~

8. OLD BUSINESS

TTHM's – Mr. Rosemark reported that there would be another notice pertaining the Trihlomethane sent out with the Utility bills and noted that this is a continuation of the process that began several months ago. He mentioned that they would be flushing hydrants the beginning of October, and testing again in November, after which he is hoping to put the issue to rest. Mr. Maurer asked Mr. Rosemark if we normally flush hydrants twice a year; Mr. Rosemark explained that yes, normally fall and spring.

South St. . Mr. Hyde asked whether or not the village will help a homeowner with backup problems due to a tree in the tree lawn; Mr. Brasee explained that if it is blocked in the tree lawn his department would generally repair the blockage.

Ms. Dronsfield . Ms. Dronsfield mentioned that she had an allergic reaction, which caused her to be in need of the ambulance service while her grandchildren were with her. She thanked Sgt. Shelton, Officer Provoznik and all of the EMT staff for their assistance.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor O'Keefe – Mayor O'Keefe explained that contrary to the newspaper article, she would not be announcing the appointment of a new Police Chief this evening.

Harvest of the Arts and Engine Show . Mr. Pyles reminded residents that the Harvest of the Arts and the Engine Show were this weekend. Ms. Dronsfield mentioned that there was a Car Show at the Elms and that all proceeds were to be donated to Well Help. Ms. Denes reminded resident that there will be flu shots at the Fairgrounds on Tues. Sept. 23rd.

Special Meeting . Mr. Schneider announced that there would be a special Police Committee meeting in the Council Chambers on Thursday at 5:30 PM. Mr. Maurer added that they would be adjourning into executive session, and there would not be any public hearing.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Schneider, 2nd by Hyde to adjourn at 7:55 PM