

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

Council Chambers	Monday November 16, 2015	7:40 p.m.
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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor O'Keefe called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **SWEARING IN OF KEITH ROWLAND** . Mayor O'Keefe swore in Keith Rowland to fill the vacant council seat.
3. **ROLL CALL**
 Councilwoman Sandy Denes . Present Councilman Keith Rowland . Present
 Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield . Present Councilman Hans Schneider . Present
 Councilman Steve Maurer . Present Council President Guy Wells . Present
 Others Present . Mayor O'Keefe, Village Manager Pyles, Finance Director Shaw, Law Director Bond, Public Works Supt. Brasee, Electric Supt. Bealer, Water/WW Supt. Rosemark, Zoning Inspector Furcron, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Enterprise Reporter Urbanik, Madison Schneider, Mark Bughman, Joe Davidson, Bill Berger, MSW Director Arntz, Karen Farago, Heidi Archer, Sabrina Williams, Devyn Kidwell, Steve Boham, Mike Schnieder, Paige Hergina, Megan Twining, Melanie Gott, Ashley Aviles, Ashley Teter, Sky Harris, Hannah Roberts, Melissa Roberts, Michalla Toth, Wendy Underwood
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** . Mr. Wells suggested revising the minutes of the November 2, 2015 meeting; under Ordinances and Resolutions, 2015-49, Mr. Wells motion was **as amended**. He also suggested adding quotation marks around this approval is with the stipulation that it is the scheduling process, and not the number of Holidays allowed under the manual, which is being suspended and that any individual covered by the flexible scheduling program must reimburse the Village in the event that he/she should leave the employment of the Village having already used more holiday time than had accrued.+He also suggested under Old Business, line 12, to add (in bold) **Ms. Denes** stated that some of the signs pre-date the ordinance and that they are grandfathered in; she does not want to keep allowing the signs and **thinks we should** begin enforcing the ordinance. Motion by Maurer, 2nd by Wells, to approve the minutes from the November 2, 2015 meeting as amended. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **yes**+. Mr. Wells asked Clerk O'Brien to change the headings on the November 2, 2015, 5:30 meeting and the Wednesday November 4, 2015 meeting to read **Minutes** instead of Agenda. Motion by Denes, 2nd by Schneider to approve the minutes from the November 2, 2015 meeting as corrected. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **yes**+. Motion by Denes, 2nd by Maurer to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2015 meeting as corrected. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **yes**+
5. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Ms. Denes had a couple of questions regarding the bills; Ms. Shaw, Mr. Pyles, and Mr. Brasee answered her questions. Motion by Denes, 2nd by Maurer to approve the expenses and pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting **yes**+

101	GEN	\$	21,493.74
201	Street CM&R	\$	2,326.64
205	Police Pension Trust Fund	\$	5,461.05
208	Permissive Tax	\$	3,652.23
401	Capital	\$	17,484.67
501	Water	\$	6,417.04
502	Sewer	\$	4,376.09
503	ELECT	\$	11,250.76
	Power Bills	\$	29,031.50
504	Garbage	\$	24,947.04
506	Storm Sewer	\$	199.77
508	Consumer Deposits	\$	4,423.09
	Pay 23	\$	88,804.02
	Total	\$	219,867.64

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

- Mayor O'Keefe
- Law Director Bond . Nothing to report
- Chief Barfield . Nothing to report
- Finance Director Shaw . Ms. Shaw reported that the Shred Day was a success. She mentioned that she prepared packets for all employees concerning wage verification, sick leave bank, and the personnel policy manual. She further reported that she spent a lot of time on the budget and the debt services. Council thanked Ms. Shaw and Mr. Pyles for their hard work.
- Village Manager Pyles . Mr. Pyles reported that the village receives Renewable Energy Credits; AMP markets the credits for the village, and the village receives reduced power bills from the REC. Mr. Maurer asked Mr. Pyles to keep working on the quiet zone; Mr. Pyles assured him that he would. Ms. Denes asked about the cost of the underpass project; Mr. Pyles explained that the village escrowed extra money at the beginning of the project for cost overruns. Ms. Denes asked if he thought the village would get the quiet zone as it was not budgeted for; Mr. Pyles explained that he would have to come back to council with information regarding the quiet zone. Ms. Denes asked Mr. Pyles if the village had received funding from OPWC for Adams St.; Mr. Pyles explained that Adams St. scored the highest throughout the district and will get funding. Mr. Pyles also gave an update on the underpass; he said he thinks it will be open the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.
- Main Street Wellington . Ms. Arntz gave an update on the Main Street Wellington events. She urged residents to shop local on Saturday November 28th.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance . Ms. Denes reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting and discussed the temporary budget. She thanked Ms. Shaw and Mr. Pyles for all of their hard work. She mentioned that they had discussed an ordinance on the agenda for tonight which involves employee health insurance. Ms. Denes made a motion to take police dispatcher Christa Basci off of probation and give her a 5% increase, (\$.67) from \$13.50 to \$14.17 per hour, effective the next full pay period; 2nd by Schneider. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~yes+~~
- Police . Mr. Wells reported that the committee will meet on Dec. 7th prior to council. He announced that there will be a council meeting on Sunday January 3, 2016 at 3 PM in the council chambers, with the purpose of interviewing applicants for the vacant council position created from Mr. Schneider's Mayoral election. He further reported that they would be advertising for the position and the deadline for application will be noon on December 30, 2015. He encouraged residents to apply. Mr. Schneider added that the term would be through 2017.
- Public Works . Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee will meet on December 7th prior to council.
- Utility . Ms. Denes reported that the committee had met prior to council and discussed enterprise fund capital requests. She mentioned that First Energy was interested in leasing land at the Hawley Rd. substation location and they would be discussing that topic further in the future. She reported that Main Street will meet on Thursday at 8 AM.
- Ordinance . Mr. Schneider reported that the committee will meet on December 7th prior to council. He took the opportunity to thank the voters for their support on November 3rd. He thanked the administration for meeting with him, and asked council members to begin thinking about which committees they would like to work on next year.

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-46 (Amended)

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY 3rd Reading
Motion by Wells, 2nd by Schneider to approve as amended. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~yes+~~

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-48

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THE VILLAGE § SECTION 125 CAFETERIA PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 2nd Reading
Motion by Denes, 2nd by Maurer to move the second reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-50

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE VILLAGE DIRECTOR OF LAW 2nd Reading
Motion by Maurer, 2nd by Wells to move the second reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-51

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RESTATED PERSONNEL MANUAL RELATIVE TO EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE 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 voting ~~%es+~~. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Denes to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%es+~~.

9. OLD BUSINESS

Karen Farago, a resident from Elm St. reported that the traffic had subsided and has been maintained well, since her attendance at the last meeting. She asked if there would be any restrooms open at the Rec. Park this fall; Mr. Pyles said there would not be as the restrooms are not heated and would be winterized.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Mark Bughman thanked the Wellington Fire and Police Departments for their quick response to a fire on N. Main St.

Mark Rosemark thanked Lad Harrison for providing bleachers at the Athletic Field for senior night.

Mr. Maurer welcomed the High School students who were in attendance and told them council would be happy to answer any questions they may have after the meeting.

Jenny Arntz asked whether or not there would be a celebration after the underpass was opened; Ms. Denes said there would be a ceremony.

11. ADJOURN – Motion by Denes, 2nd by Maurer to adjourn at 8:13 PM

Clerk of Council

Mayor