

**Village of Wellington  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Hans Schneider, Mayor**

**Council: President Sandy Denes, Mark Bughman, Helen Dronsfield, Gene Hartman,  
Keith Rowland and Guy Wells**

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<b>Council Chambers</b>	<b>Monday March 7, 2016</b>	<b>7:35 p.m.</b>
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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** . Mayor Schneider called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.
  
2. **ROLL CALL**  
 Councilman Mark Bughman . Present      Councilman Gene Hartman . Present  
 Council President Sandy Denes . Present      Councilman Keith Rowland . Present  
 Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield . Present      Councilman Guy Wells . Present  
 Others Present . Mayor Schneider, Village Manager Pyles, Finance Director Hales, Law Director Bond, Chief Barfield, Electric Supt. Bealer, Public Works Supt. Brasee, Water/WW Supt. Rosemark, MSW Director Arntz, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Fire Chief Wetherbee, Bill Berger, Al Kimmich, Colton Shelton, Taylor Bremke, Saige Kline, Shelby Beck, Mackenzie Todlen, Cheyenne Allred, Madison Sobeski, Terin Allred, Lucilh Mana, Semies Xia, Aden Johnson, Annabella Miller, Ben Hornbeck, Michaela Toth, Paul Hornbeck, Mge Mekins, Cheryl Johnson, Henry Brite, Lauren Gronsky, Savannah Gribbons, Paige Hergina, Maddie Evans, Joshua Jarhyl, Deanna Santee, Toni Novotny, Evan Gerding, Ethan Moore, Renee Moore, Carol Burke, Judge Michele Silva Arredondo, Krista Marinaro, Avery Jorge, Jessica Pasadyn, Gabrielle Howard, Danielle Howard, Alecia Wright, Alecia Simonson
  
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Wells recommended an amendment to February 16<sup>th</sup> minutes, page 2, on line 19, and change north to south. Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denes to approve the minutes from the February 13<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting as amended. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%~~yes+.
  
4. **Wellington High School Band** - Mayor Schneider introduced the Wellington High School Band and Director Novotny. He presented them with a Resolution for their accomplishments and their superior ratings at state competitions. He also showed them Duke Band signs with the years of superior ratings that will be installed at 3 of the 4 entrances to the village. The band and director were met with applause.
  
5. **Judge Candidates** . Judge Michele Silva Arredondo and Krista Marinaro spoke about their accomplishments and asked for the Wellington residents' votes on March 15<sup>th</sup>.
  
6. **Main Street Wellington** . Director Arntz gave her report and mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce will be having an Easter Egg Hunt on March 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 PM . 3:00 PM at the American Legion. She further mentioned that the Chamber is holding a reverse raffle to raise money for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks, \$35.00 per person, with a grand prize of \$1,500.00. She reported that the Design Committee would be meeting on Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM.
  
7. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** . Ms. Denes had a couple of questions regarding the bills, Mr. Brasee and Ms. Hales answered her questions. Motion by Denes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wells to approve the expenses and pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%~~yes+.

101 General	\$	100,246.64
401 Capital	\$	1,872.74
501 Water	\$	38,316.74
502 Sewer	\$	38,096.27

503 Elect	\$	224,590.59
Power Bills	\$	557,641.09
504 Garbage	\$	4,431.00
506 Storm Sewer	\$	2,229.95
508 Consumer Deposit	\$	927.59
Pay 4 & 5	\$	175,166.21
Total	\$	1,143,518.82

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider . Mayor Schneider mentioned that his report was included in the packet.
- Law Director Bond . Nothing to report
- Chief Barfield . Ms. Denes asked Chief Barfield if the driver, mentioned in his report, would be billed for the stop sign that they hit with a car; Chief Barfield said, yes they could bill the driver.
- Finance Director Hales . Ms. Hales 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 his superintendent's reports were in the packet and they would be happy to answer any questions. Ms. Denes asked Mr. Pyles about the impervious surface mentioned in the packet; Mr. Pyles referred the question to the Planning Clerk. Mayor Schneider reported that the Township does have the funds necessary to install the impervious surface and should be coming closer to the installation. Ms. Denes asked Mr. Pyles to have the minutes updated on the village web page.

## 9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance . Ms. Denes reported that the committee will meet on March 21<sup>st</sup> prior to council. She mentioned that the Fire Departments Night at the Races will be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and to contact a Fireman for tickets.
- Police . Mr. Wells reported that Main Street Wellington's grant application was not successful from the Nord Foundation, which is a \$20,000 item. He further reported that they would be regrouping, and figuring out how to manage with that change. He welcomed anyone with ideas or support to offer, to please share those with Main Street. Mr. Wells reported that the committee had met prior to the meeting and discussed testing and hiring practices, inventory concerns, and equipment changes. Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denes to accept the resignation of Morgan Guyot as Auxiliary Officer, effective immediately. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~yes~~+. Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denes to hire George Daher as part time officer at \$15.00 per hour, effective after passing the drug screening. Roll call vote was taken Denes . Yes, Bughman . Yes, Dronsfield . Yes, Hartman . Yes, Rowland . No, Wells . Yes. Motion carried 5 ~~yes~~+ and 1 ~~no~~+. Mr. Wells mentioned that they had begun putting together some strategic planning concerning future facility needs. Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denes to approve Chief Barfield's proposal to trade in 18 Sig Sauer hand guns for 18 Gloc handguns at a total cost of \$1,350.00. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~yes~~+
- Public Works . Ms. Dronsfield mentioned that the committee had met prior to council and discussed razing the house at Trails End. She further mentioned that the Public Works Dept. would be taking the house down as asbestos testing came back clean. She reported that they had a discussion about creating a permanent part time position for the Public Works Dept. and will be working on a job description for that position.
- Utility . Ms. Dronsfield mentioned that the committee will meet prior to council on March 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Ordinance . Mr. Wells reported that the committee had met prior to the council

meeting and discussed 2 way traffic concerns on Carpenter St. and Dickson St., no one was present with concerns of the change, they will proceed with the second reading tonight. He further reported that they had discussed garbage concerns and will be adding the ordinance to the next council agenda. He mentioned that they will discuss the chronic nuisance legislation further at the next committee meeting in April. Ms. Denes reported that there had been some discussion about the two way traffic proposal on Carpenter St. and Dickson St. at the Coffee with the Mayor meeting. She further reported that there were a handful of people there who felt the village should wait until the school had been razed and the park is in place before proceeding with the legislation. She mentioned that it could be a couple of year before the park was in place.

- Mayor Schneider recommended hiring Bill Olden as Zoning Inspector for \$7,500.00 per year. Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denes to approve Mayor Schneider's recommendation. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%yes+~~ Mayor Schneider thanked the Electric Department for installing the lighting for the flag in front of the Town Hall; Mr. Bealer explained that it was temporarily installed so that council members could look at it. Mayor Schneider asked council to take a look and let Mr. Bealer know their thoughts and mentioned that he had already received a lot of positive comments on the lighting.

## 10. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-05 (amended)**

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading

Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bughman to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%yes+~~

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-07**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN EASEMENT FOR THE ERECTION OF A CAPACITOR BANK TO REGULATE VOLTAGE AND VARIABILITY ON THE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINES, WITH OHIO EDISON COMPANY AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Motion by Denes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wells to move the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%yes+~~

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-08 (amended)**

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING DICKSON STREET AND CARPENTER STREET FOR TWO-WAY TRAFFIC FOR THEIR ENTIRE LENGTHS

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Motion by Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dronsfield to move the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting ~~%yes+~~

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 924 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ADJUST THE RATES FOR WATER SERVICE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

1<sup>st</sup> Reading

## 11. OLD BUSINESS

**Farmers Market** – Mayor Schneider announced that he had an application regarding the Farmers Market, to be located at the south end of the park, beginning June 17<sup>th</sup>. He mentioned that the location was due to the construction at the Middle School, and asked for council's opinion on the location. There was some discussion about the no sales in the park ordinance; Mr. Bond explained that the legislation was for the north east corner of the property, and the language was very specific pertaining to the parking places in the north east corner of the parking lot. Mr. Pyles agreed as there were distances mentioned in that ordinance. He mentioned that they would be tying the Farmers Market into the Concert Series events in the south park area, in hopes of creating greater traffic downtown. He further mentioned that he was hoping in a year to be able to offer the

McCormick Park to the Farmers Market, however for now, this is the best location to offer them. Mr. Wells added that this location is temporary and the location should be revisited again next year. Ms. Dronsfield agreed. Mayor Schneider mentioned that he would sign the application on Wednesday.

- **Solar Field** . Mr. Kimmich asked whether or not they would be discussing the solar field tonight; Mayor Schneider explained that they could discuss it tonight and mentioned that there was an eagle's nest discovered at the proposed location. Mr. Pyles agreed that it would be difficult to discuss with the recent discovery of the nest and mentioned that they would possibly be reviewing other areas for the construction of the solar field. Mr. Pyles further mentioned that he would be willing to discuss the advantages of building the solar field tonight. Mayor Schneider informed Mr. Kimmich that he could proceed if he wished and mentioned that he would also like to hear from Mr. Rosemark. Mr. Rosemark reported that he informed Mr. Pyles of the discovery of the Eagles nest recently as he described in his memo to council which was included in the packet. Mr. Rosemark further reported that the reservoir dam is the village's greatest asset, as well as the largest liability; the water and the dam are his biggest priority. He mentioned that he was not against the economics of solar project, he did feel however, that there may be another location that would better accommodate the project; somewhere the forest and wildlife habitat would not be compromised. Mayor Schneider asked Mr. Rosemark whether or not he felt the placement of the solar field, at that location could damage the integrity of the reservoir and possibly cause a breach; Mr. Rosemark said no. Mr. Rosemark said he feels that the most important consideration is cost vs. benefit; the cost being the destruction of wildlife habitat. Mr. Kimmich read a presentation to council which cited many reasons why he is against the construction of the solar field. There was some discussion about Mr. Kimmich's opinions. Fire Chief Wetherbee reported that the only concern to him as the Fire Chief is safety; access and egress, the implementation of safety procedures, the safety of his staff and the residents of the village. He mentioned that the Fire District is neutral on the project.

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

**Grant** – Ms. Denes reported that the Police Chief will be applying for a grant that would fund the purchase of equipment which would enable the Police Dept., Fire Dept. and EMS to have both digital and analog radio. They are currently analog only. The departments need the equipment upgrade in order to communicate with OHSP and the Sheriff's Department, both of which are digital.

**13. ADJOURN** – Motion by Dronsfield, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wells to adjourn at 8:50 PM