Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

May 8, 2014 at 7:00 pm

at the Town Hall on Division Street

1. Mayor Paine calls council to order and roll call is taken. Present are P. Seeholzer, J. Wolfe, M. Feyedelem, G. Finger, and G. Ritchie. Absent is D. Kaminski.

Clerk Brown says that Dennis Kaminski called to say that he had to work and he asks that members of council excuse his absence. Solicitor Lambros is also absent from the meeting and he mentioned his absence at the last council meeting and had also asked to be excused. I think council excused Mr. Lambros ahead of time, at the last meeting.

Motion to excuse Dennis Kaminski and David Lambros from the May 8, 2014 Regular Council Meeting, made by Finger, second by Seeholzer; all in favor; motion carried.

2. All rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Motion to accept the addendum to today’s meeting, made by Ritchie, second by Seeholzer; all in favor; motion carried.

4. Discussion and/or amendments to the 4-12-14 council minutes. Motion to accept the Minutes as presented, made by Seeholzer, second by Finger; all in favor; motion carried.

5. Discussion of Pay Ordinance No. 1135 : Motion to accept the Pay Ordinance as written, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem, RC: P. Seeholzer- yes, J. Wolfe- yes, M. Feyedelem- yes, G. Finger- yes, D. Kaminski (absent), G. Ritchie- yes; motion passed.

7. Committee Reports

7.A. Police- Chief Ehrbar’s report for April-May: 6 reports were filed for a variety of reasons- sick raccoon, property damage, lost firearm, speeding, domestic dispute, and theft (KISP); there were 369 departmental phone calls; 1 traffic or M/M ticket was issued for speeding; 10 warnings were given for stop sign, speed, and riding outside of M/V; 6 vehicle lockouts were attended; and there were 2 assists with other agencies- KIEMS/KISP. Chief Ehrbar reports that Kelleys Island did not receive the ODNR grant this year for the police boat therefore he has no plans to use the boat. He will let ODNR know that. He continues that ODNR wants mutual aid and they only have a part-time officer working there this year but the State doesn’t want to help us defray the costs of the boat operation. Starting with Memorial Day the Police Dept. will let groups that usually raise funds for the Police Department know that the department needs donations to purchase a new police vehicle by fall. Chief Ehrbar estimates that about $30,000 is needed for that purchase. If the Half Marathon in the fall does as well this year as it did last year, it might contribute about a third of the money needed. Chief Ehrbar says that he has gotten a lot of support for the idea.

7.B. Safety Committee- M. Feyedelem has nothing to report.

7.C. EMS- S. Devine reports that since the last council meeting report there was one EMS run, the patient was treated at the scene and also 2 clinical patients were seen. May 10th is the Annual Spaghetti Dinner to benefit the EMS auxiliary and May 17th is the Annual Safety Forces Day. May 18 to 24 is EMS Week whose theme this year is “Dedicated For Life”.

7.D. Fire Dept.-Feyedelem reads Fire Chief Hostal’s April Fire Report to Council: The Fire Dept. had no calls in the month of April. The Fire Dept. is trying to get another fire extinguisher class in the next couple of months. More details to follow. Last Day to get a burn permit will be on May 20th and the last day to burn will be on May 23rd.

7.E. Finance- P. Seeholzer reports that the Finance Committee met and discussed the Income Tax. The Committee recommends that council hold a workshop meeting consisting of all council members, the Mayor and Solicitor, in June, to discuss the Income Tax so that everyone can have input and also so that all council members can be part of the discussion and be informed. Seeholzer asks that members of council give their available dates to the Clerk so that a meeting time can be set.

7.F. Lands & Buildings- G. Finger reports that everything is OK.

7.G. Airport- G. Ritchie says that an appraisal of the Schreiber property has been done. Ritchie wants to review it further before making a recommendation.

7.H. Planning Commission- G. Finger has no report.

7.I. Design Review Board- G. Finger has no report.

7.J. Board of Zoning Appeals- G. Finger reports that one hearing was held and that request was denied.

7.K. Transfer Station- D. Kaminski is absent and no report is given.

7.L Village Administrator- Stevenson says that they are doing a big spring clean at the Town Hall and he is talking with the Police Chief and EMS to make a list of obsolete items for disposal. The Water Department is in the process of doing the same thing. Some road work is planned to do patching and crack sealing. Tom McNeal is still on light duty in the Maintenance Dept. for 2 or 3 more weeks. The broken catch basin at Division and Lakeshore is being replaced. Another broken catch basin near the VFW will also be replaced.

7.M. Streets & Sidewalks- J. Wolfe has no report. Mayor Paine asks for a Streets and Sidewalks meeting in the near future.

7.N. Park Board- James Erne says that there is a meeting scheduled for tomorrow at the pavilion of the Park Board. James Erne needs a re-appointment to the Park Board. **Mayor Paine re-appoints Erne to the Park Board. Motion to confirm the Mayor’s appointment of Erne, made by Finger, second by Seeholzer; all in favor; motion carried.** Erne met with the Tall Ships Committee about the placement of their monument in the park. The Park Board will place pavers around the new monument. Finger suggests that Operation Military Kids can do the pavers as their project this year like they have done at the downtown Memorial Park previously. **Mayor Paine appoints Wayne Newman to the Park Board for another term. Motion to confirm the Mayor’s appointment, made by Seeholzer, second by Ritchie; all in favor; motion carried.** When asked, Erne replies that there are no vacancies on the Park Board.

7.O. Mayor’s Financial Report- Mayor Paine reads that in April the Court had no revenue but had disbursements of $88 in bank fees. The Court has paid a total of $3,526.01 to the General Fund in 2014. There are two outstanding cases at this time.

7.P Legal- D. Lambros is absent.

7.Q Treasurer’s Report- C. Brown says that members of council have the fund and treasurer’s reports in their packets. The Availability Fee Billing for the Transfer Station has YTD revenue of $22,369.30. A total of 697 customers have responded with payments or proof for exemption out of 748 billings. 51 accounts remain unpaid and the Clerk-Treasurer’s office has issued late bills to them. Brown was part of a group of village officials that met recently with Donna Kirkbride, of the Ohio Public Works Commission, to discuss funding opportunities.

9. First Readings

10. Second Readings

11. Third Readings & Emergencies

11.1 **ORDINANCE NO.: 2014-O- 7 : AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR A TAX LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE AND 26/100 (1.26)\_MILLS FOR GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION AT THE AIRPORT AND ACQUISITION OF LAND TO BRING THE KELLEYS ISLAND AIRPORT INTO FAA COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO R.C. SECTION 5705.19(F), CERTIFYING THE SAME TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF ERIE COUNTY, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** ( INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILMAN RITCHIE)

Brown explains that this is the legislation, if passed, that will put a levy on the ballot for the funds that are needed to match the FAA grant to continue with the FAA planned project for the airport. It will generate about $95,000 a year.

Seehlzer asks if a home has a valuation of $100,000, as an assessed valuation by the Erie County Auditor, would it be $126 for the levy ? Brown replies “yes”. Mayor Paine adds that this levy would keep the village in good standing with the FAA and Mayor Paine is worried that if an accident occurred at the road crossing and the village was not actively working toward resolving the problem, it might not be good for the village.

Motion to suspend the three reading rule, made by Finger, second by Feyedelem; RC: P. Seeholzer- yes, J. Wolfe- yes, M. Feyedelem- yes, G. Finger- yes, D. Kaminski (absent), G. Ritchie- yes; motion passed.

Motion to pass, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem; RC: P. Seeholzer- yes, J. Wolfe- yes, M. Feyedelem- yes, G. Finger- yes, D. Kaminski (absent), G. Ritchie- yes; motion passed.

11.2 **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-O- 8 : AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF KELLEYS ISLAND, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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12. Items from the Mayor

12.1 Mayor Paine has no items for council.

13. Items from Council

13.1 Seeholzer says that Lands and Buildings is planning a meeting to discuss painting doors on the Town Hall. One of the next projects to discuss would be the front of the Municipal Building and the parking lot there.

13.2 Stevenson says that he is looking at replacing the stairs on the north side of the Town Hall, especially to get rid of the top high step.

13.3 Finger asks that the solicitor and the Zoning Inspector review laws pertaining to the discharge of water on to a neighboring property. Brown says that she asked Solicitor Lambros if there was any mention of the situation in State of Ohio law. Solicitor Lambros responded that there were no statutes governing drainage. Zoning Inspector Minshall suggests that Kelleys Island adopt a code that requires that all drainage be channeled into storm sewers, not on to neighboring properties.

13.4 Feyedelem says that all flags in the village have been replaced by the VFW Post except the downtown park flag. That flag has the pulleys all messed up and the flag cannot be lowered to be replaced. A lift is needed to reach it. Finger will ask Hancock-Wood if they can help with the downtown flag problem.

13.5 Mayor Paine asked for a quote from Fox to fix the furnace problems at the Dwelle House. He also wants an estimate from Starcher.

13.6 **Motion to have a Thank You letter written to the VFW for their flag donation,** made by Seeholzer, second by Finger; all in favor; motion carried.

14. Old Business – none

15. Public Participation for people interested in addressing council.

15.1 Leslie Korenko, 330 Beach Road, says that she heard that there was a $40,000 water bill this spring to a customer. She wants to know if relief was granted to anyone. Stevenson replies that no relief was granted, but the Water Dept. will adjust the overage. There was no $40,000 water bill, the most expensive was $16,000 and the Water Dept. arranged a payment plan with that customer. Mayor Paine says that he is interested in telemetry meters. They can be read even if they are covered with snow and it would help in detecting leaks.

16. New Business

16.1 Mayor Paine reads the EMS Week Proclamation:

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EMS Week Proclamation

To designate the Week of May 18-24, 2014, as Emergency Medical Services Week

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, first responders, educators, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, I, Kyle Paine, Mayor of Kelleys Island, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 18-24, 2014, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK.

With the theme, EMS: Dedicated, For Life, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

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Kyle Paine, Mayor of Kelleys Island

EMS- Dedicated For Life

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Mayor Paine adds that he strongly supports our EMS. (clapping) Lori Mizla of St. Vincent’s says that she gets around to a lot of EMS agencies and Kelleys Island is lucky to have such dedicated volunteers. Some places have 6 or 8 times the people involved than Kelleys Island does and they don’t show up for calls. Kelleys Island has an excellent EMS team.

16.2 Stevenson says that Lindsay Sikes and Lisa Klonaris have proposed a triatholon for September 2014. They have a letter to council in this packet but they have decided to put their request on hold right now and they will come back to council later to make their request for road closures.

16.3 Stevenson says that some people have become aware of a triatholon that is scheduled for July 13, 2014 by someone off island and no one here knew about it until someone saw it advertised on the internet. Stevenson says that as the Road Commissioner he has a problem with this one. It was scheduled without anyone here knowing about it, without the police knowing, without EMS knowing, and not to mention it is on a Sunday morning in the middle of the summer, and it is a private business event. Finger says that he called him. Chief Ehrbar said that he spoke with the man who asked the Police Dept. for assistance during the event. Chief Ehrbar says that it is a private business event and that he feels the business may have to pay for the use of the officers that they are requesting. Finger says that the man called today and Finger said he might donate some money to village causes, if there was money left over. Chief Ehrbar says that the sponsor said he did not think that roads had to be closed. Brown adds that if roads are closed or not, there are still some safety factors to be evaluated. Chief Ehrbar adds that our EMS are volunteers and they are usually busy at that time of the year. It might take additional EMS to be available at the event. This brings up the question of who, if anyone, has authorization or control over the local roads on Kelleys Island. It is decided that the solicitor should be consulted.

17. Motion to adjourn, made by Finger, second by Seeholzer; all in favor; motion carried.

(adjourned 7:50 pm)