Minutes for the September 11, 2014 Regular Council Meeting

Held 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 D. Kaminski, G. Ritchie, P. Seeholzer, J. Wolfe, and M. Feyedelem. Absent is G.Finger.

1.5 Motion to excuse Finger, made by Seeholzer, second by Kaminski; all in favor; motion carried.

1. All rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and remain standing for a moment of silence in memory of 9/11.

2.5 Bob England of Erie County Health Dept.:  Erie County Health does a lot of work on Kelleys Island in public health, both with testing personal wells and sewage. England is here tonight to specifically address the toxic algae bloom in Lake Erie and explain what has happened near Toledo and also how Kelleys Island is situated in respect to the algae bloom. On August 2nd the treated water in the Toledo public water system was found to contain more than the allowable parts per billion of the toxic algae. People were immediately concerned and confused about Erie County and Toledo. He received numerous calls requesting information in relation to our area, Kelleys Island, about the safety of the water, both in the lake for swimming and the treated drinking water. We are 50 miles away from the Toledo problem. However, Erie County Health also realizes that a toxic algal bloom can happen anywhere and we all need to test regularly to ensure that drinking water is not compromised. To this end, Erie County regularly takes fresh water tests from multiple places in the lake. The fresh water tests taken from everywhere in Erie County have all been OK. The Health Department has to be out front of this problem. Erie County does test for the algal toxins. England regularly checks with all the water departments in Erie County who take their water from the lake. All departments need to have the same procedure and do the same thing at the same time. All water departments have met together and made a plan. When the Village of Kelleys Island Administrator left that meeting, he left with a general plan that is the same response as all the other water departments agreed upon. The second topic Mr. England discusses is the story in the Sandusky newspaper about Pelee Island and their wells. The article was only about private wells on Pelee Island. It had nothing to do with wells on Kelleys Island which have been tested by Erie County Health. Erie County Health Department has found all ground water that was tested on Kelleys Island to be safe. Erie County Health needs to test the wells regularly so that England and his department have current information to disseminate when they are asked questions. On Kelleys Island there is a mixture of lake water and well water. Erie County Health Dept. is not testing wells because they think there is a problem or because they think they need to list a ban on well water. That process would start by letting property owners know that there might be a problem and council would also know about it at the beginning. England reminds the village that The Annual Transfer Station application is due September 30th and it must be filed online. This is the responsibility of the Village Administrator. England closes by saying that if anyone would like their private well tested, they should call Erie County Health Department.

4. Discussion and/or amendments to the 8-14-14  council minutes.  Motion to accept the Minutes as presented, made by Seeholzer, second by Wolfe; all in favor; motion carried.

4.5 Discussion and/or amendments to the 8-31-14  council minutes.  Motion to accept the Minutes as presented, made by Seeholzer, second by Kaminski; all in favor; motion carried.

1. Discussion of Pay Ordinance No. 1138 : Motion to accept the Pay Ordinance as written,  made by Seeholzer, second by Kaminski; RC: G. Finger (absent), D. Kaminski -yes, G. Ritchie -yes, P. Seeholzer -yes, J. Wolfe- yes, M. Feyedelem –yes; motion carried.

7. Committee Reports

7.A.  Police- Chief Ehrbar reports that since the last report to council, 19 reports have been filed; there have been 328 department phone calls; there were 2 arrests for domestic violence and unauthorized use of a vehicle; 4 tickets were written for open container and unlicensed driver of a golf cart; 3 accidents were attended; 5 building checks were made due to alarms; 6 vehicle lockouts were attended; and there were 11 assists with other agencies- KIEMS, USCG, and ECHD. The department is still doing its campaign for donations to purchase the needed police car.

7.B.  Safety Committee- M. Feyedelem has no report.

7.C.  EMS- S. Devine reports that there have been 21 runs with 12 transports and 18 clinical patients were seen and one fire standby. Notification has arrived from BWC that Kelleys Island EMS has been awarded $35,537.70 for 2 powered load systems, as requested. The award money should arrive within the next 6 weeks. $1,357.71 has been received from the Division of EMS towards equipment purchases. The local match for the grant is $11,845.90. At this time of year the EMT’s go to continuing education class off-island. Devine requests expenses for meals and transportation for those attending the class in the amount of $50 each. **Motion to authorize $50 in expenses for each EMT attending the training,** made by Seeholzer; second by Feyedelem; all in favor; motion carried.

7.D. Fire Dept.-Chief Hostal reports that there were no fire calls in August.

7.E.  Finance- P. Seeholzer reports that the Committee met and reviewed the finances in respect to hiring full and part-time employees.

7.F.  Lands & Buildings- Seeholzer reports that the Committee met and made a list of projects, amongst them are new steps on the north side of the Town Hall, painting doors, furnace quotes for a furnace in the Dwelle House, blacktop of the parking lot at the Municipal Building, railings, ramp, and steps at the Municipal Building.

7.G.  Airport- G. Ritchie reports that the village is waiting for paperwork from the FAA for the Scheiber property grant.

7.H.   Planning Commission- G. Finger is absent and no report is given.

7.I.  Design Review Board- G. Finger is absent and no report is given.

7.J.  Board of Zoning Appeals- G. Finger is absent and no report is given.

7.K.   Transfer Station- D. Kaminski has nothing to report.

7.L    Village Administrator- Stevenson announces that Robert Skeans has been hired as a full time employee at the village. His work schedule will be 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, 5 days a week in maintenance.

7.M.  Streets & Sidewalks- Wolfe reports that the OPWC application went in on time for the W. Lakeshore Drive project.

7.N.   Park Board- James Erne reports that previous projects are being reviewed by the Board.

7.O.  Mayor’s Financial Report- Mayor Paine reports that for August the Mayor’s Court received $5,125 in fines and costs. A check was paid to the village in the amount of $4,150.80 which is split amongst several funds.

7.P   Legal- D. Lambros has no specific report but of the ordinances on the agenda tonight, the last one is a one year agreement with UNI-TECH for their work at the KI Waterplant. There is specific language about how this agreement can be terminated and administration needs to be aware of that language in case they do not want to renew the contract.

7.Q  Treasurer’s Report- C. Brown reports that Members of Council have the usual fund and treasurer’s reports in their meeting packets. The OPWC application was delivered on time and Brown specifically thanks Mark Drennen and Tom Beck for their help in making the application. They both donated their time and expertise to help the village make the application. Christine Stelzer of Erie County Health stopped by at the office and left brochures about radon testing. Members of Council each have one with a clip from Erie County Health. Brochures are also out on the sign in table at the back of the room and they will be available after the meeting at the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office. At the Clerk’s Office we have recently become aware that LifeFlight has not always sent out the notices for renewal. If you think that you should be a member of LifeFlight but cannot find a current letter covering you, then you should call them and ask your status.

1. First Readings
2. Second Readings

10.1  **ORDINANCE NO: 2014-O-          :  AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW SECTION  OF THE KELLEYS ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES  ENTITLED “DRAINS, RAVINES AND DITCHES” IN THE VILLAGE OF KELLEYS ISLAND, OHIO.** (INTRODUCED BY MAYOR KYLE PAINE)

1. Third Readings & Emergencies

11.1  **ORDINANCE NO: 2014-O-         : AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO MAKE CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS INTO CERTAIN FUNDS  AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

11.2  **RESOLUTION NO 2014-R-3 : 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.**  (INTRODUCED BY MAYOR KYLE PAINE)

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

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

11.3  **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-O-        : AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH UNI-TECH ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (UNI-TECH) TO PROVIDE FOR OPERATION OF THE VILLAGE OF KELLEYS ISLAND DRINKING WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**  (INTRODUCED BY MAYOR KYLE PAINE)

G.Ritchie asks Solicitor Lambros if this can have a first reading today as he hasn’t seen the legislation before and would like to have more time to review it. Lambros replies that it does not need to be passed today.  **Motion to make tonight a First Reading of the ordinance to hire UNI-TECH,** made by Seeholzer, second by Ritchie; all in favor; motion carried.

1. Items from the Mayor

12.1 Mayor Paine has been contacted about making a proclamation for Thomas Eakins. Other nearby municipalities have already done one for him. When Kelleys Island makes the proclamation it will allow him to get into Ripley’s Believe It or Not. Mayor Paine plans on making the proclamation at the October Council Meeting. Members of Council are interested in Eakins’ biography and Brown will copy all the paperwork for each Council Member.

12.2 The Sandusky Register called Mayor Paine to say that Marcy Kaptor was giving Kelleys Island $400,000 from FAA for the airport. We have a levy coming up for 1.26 mills and that money would be used as the match of the 90% grant from FAA. There are safety issues at the airport that need to be addressed. The village needs to do the practical things asap.

1. Items from Council

13.1 G. Ritchie re: letter to voters—Ritchie sent a letter to Members of Council about a week ago for their consideration. The letter is an explanation of the airport levy on the ballot in November. He would like all council Members to sign it and have it sent before the end of September to all registered voters. He has revised the letter a little and he does not have the revisions with him tonight, but he says there are no substantial changes to the letter. **Motion that the revised letter go out to all voters by 9/20,**made by Ritchie, second by Wolfe; all in favor; motion carried.

13.2 Ritchie comments that the Transfer Station has grown considerably financially in the last few years. Ritchie proposes that he and Kaminski sit down and review the finances and discuss a reduction in the cents per pound rate.

1. Old Business

14.1 Wolfe says that Chief Hostal has been reviewing roads for clearance of emergency vehicles. Chief Hostal has compiled a list of roads that he cannot get the fire truck down and he has given that list to Wolfe to review.

15. Public Participation for people interested in addressing council.

15.1 Steve Merkle says that Mr. Ritchie’s letter in support of the airport levy could be put on the Chamber website. Merkel says that the Tall Ships Committee donated money towards the EMS lift and hearing of the BWC grant he wonders how much of the money was used. Devine explains that the Tall Ship money provided part of the local match that is needed for the grant. Merkel says that Kelleys Island received an award for best festivals and beaches in the State of Ohio. The Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce (KICC) met recently and elected a new board. The KICC board is now composed of some younger people: Ed Terry, Abbey Zettler, Britanny Schmidt, and JoAnn Callari. Twenty-five people attended the last Chamber Meeting and it appears that all prior issues have been resolved.

15.2 Patty Hart LeClair asks if a survey has been done of the Scheiber property. Mayor Paine responds that after the village purchases the property, which we are in negotiation for now, then the village will have a survey done.

1. New Business

16.1 correspondence from Western Reserve Land Conservancy to Park Board: Clerk-Treasurer Brown says that she included this letter in a council packet previously, but the Park Board specifically requested that a copy of this letter be included in this council packet and so Members of Council are receiving it again.

16.2 Motion to authorize Mayor Paine and Village Administrator Stevenson to make an application to Ohio EPA for a grant to purchase cyanotoxin testing equipment to test for toxic algae in the water, **Motion to authorize Mayor Paine and Village Administer Stevenson to make a grant application to the EPA for the afore mentioned equipment purchase and training,** made by Kaminski, second by Seeholzer; all in favor; motion carried. Stevenson says that the grant is for $10,000 and the equipment and training are around $8,600.

1. Motion to adjourn, made by Feyedelem, second by Wolfe; all in favor; motion carried.

(adjourned at 7:50 pm)