

Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting of the
Village of Walton Hills, Ohio held Tuesday
January 19, 2016 at 6:16 p.m. in the
Village Hall Council Chambers at 7595 Walton Road

Mayor Hurst called the meeting to order and then led the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for deceased residents Josephine Kasztelan, Carl Juran, and Christine Butwina and the military men and women serving our nation. The roll call was taken by Ms. Iaconis. Councilpersons present were Denny Linville, Mary Brenner-Miller, Paul Rich, Gloria Terlosky, Don Kolograf and Brian Spitznagel. Also present were Katie Iaconis, Fiscal Officer, and Bill Mason, Solicitor.

Resolution No. 2016-1, a Resolution authorizing and providing for the employment of the Solicitor for the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio; fixing the term, duties and compensation from January 19, 2016 to December 31, 2017, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Kolograf, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-1, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved.

Mayor Hurst swore in Bill Mason as Village Solicitor. Mr. Mason expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve as Solicitor.

Councilman Kolograf motioned to approve the regular Council meeting minutes of December 15, 2015, seconded by Councilwoman Terlosky, and six ayes approved. Councilman Rich motioned to receive and file the Council Caucus minutes of January 19, 2016 seconded by Councilman Spitznagel, and six ayes approved.

PERSONS HAVING BUSINESS BEFORE COUNCIL: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Hurst reported that 100 citations were issued in December and he reviewed the major offenses. He reported that the court receipts for 2015 totaled \$270,757, compared to \$252,000 at the end of 2014. He noted that Council would be receiving information about the expansion and cleanup of Fuel Mart and the memorandum of understanding with the Police Department. He reported that notification of a grant from the County for \$379,934 was received, bringing the total of free grant money received to \$5,362,000 for the last five years since he has been Mayor. He pointed out that the previous administration only received \$1,300,000 in grant money over a period of ten years.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Linville discussed items on the Police Chief's report. Councilman Rich stated that he is looking forward to working with Mr. Mason.

LEGISLATION:

Ordinance No. 2016-1, an Ordinance amending Codified Ordinance 260.18 to reflect certain changes in wage rates, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller. Councilmen Linville and Spitznagel stated that Council members should curtail or not receive raises. Vote taken, six ayes approved. Councilman Rich motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-1, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved.

Ordinance No. 2016-2, an Ordinance modifying Ordinance No. 2011-20 to establish the abatement period and percentage of real property tax abatement for new residential construction in the Village Community Reinvestment Area, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilwoman Terlosky, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved. Councilwoman Terlosky motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-2, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-2, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Chief Fiscal Officer to accept the grant of the City of Cleveland, Suburban Water Main Renewal Program for the Dellwood Water Main Replacement Project and authorizing the Village Engineer to prepare plans for said project, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Spitznagel, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved. Councilman Spitznagel motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-2, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-3, a Resolution granting consent to the Director of Transportation for the State of Ohio to resurface Northfield Road AKA State Route 8 within the confines of the Village boundaries, and declaring an emergency, was placed on First Reading by Councilman Rich, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-4, a Resolution confirming the appointment of Katie Iaconis as Village Fiscal Officer for the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio, making the same effective January 19, 2016, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Linville, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved. Councilman Linville motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-4, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-5, a Resolution confirming the appointment of Daniel W. Stucky as Street Commissioner for the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio, for the period beginning February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Kolograf, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-5, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-6, a Resolution confirming the appointment of Carol Stanoszek as the part-time Recreation Director of the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio for the period beginning February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, seconded by Councilman Kolograf, and six ayes approved. Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-6, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-7, a Resolution providing for the sale of personal property by internet auction, with the terms and conditions thereof in 2016, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Linville, seconded by Councilman Rich. Councilman Linville explained that this legislation is mandated by the Ohio Revised Code and has to be passed every year. He further explained that this has helped with selling Village property and stressed that he is proud that he brought this to Council. Vote taken, six ayes approved. Councilman Linville motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-7, seconded by Councilman Rich, and six ayes approved.

Resolution No. 2016-8, a Resolution amending Resolution 2015-29 to modify payment to Toaz Construction, Inc. to an amount not to exceed thirty thousand five hundred dollars for the repairs made to Village property, and declaring an emergency, was introduced for suspension by Councilman Kolograf, seconded by Councilwoman Brenner-Miller, and six ayes approved. Councilman Kolograf motioned to adopt Resolution No. 2016-8, seconded by Councilman Spitznagel, and six ayes approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Hurst announced that the next Committee of the Whole meetings will be held on February 2nd and February 9th at 6 p.m. He also announced that there will be a Planning Commission meeting on February 11th to discuss the preliminary plans for Fuel Mart. Councilman Linville explained that routine legislation is passed under emergency. He stressed that Council is very cognizant of legislation that needs to have three readings. Mayor Hurst added that unless something is an emergency, it is discussed at least twice publicly at working sessions. He welcomed Mr. Mason aboard. Ms. Iaconis expressed her appreciation for the support she received for her move up to Fiscal Officer.

Councilwoman Brenner-Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Linville, and six ayes approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Iaconis
Fiscal Officer