

Council Minutes 04-13-2013

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2013 at 10:00 am

at the Town Hall on Division Street

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

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

3. Scott Thom, Director of the Construction Inspection Program, from Erie County General Health District is present and gives an update to Council. In 2012, 183 plumbing permits were done, 120 were for residential. The department did over 300 residential plumbing inspections, 101 backflow inspections, 70 plumbing contractors were trained. The department offers the 10 hours of continuing education required by the State for contractors. Four manufactured housing permits were given in Erie County. The department has a Healthy Homes program which includes monitoring for lead pint, radon, electrocutions, poisoning, preventing falls- anything that could hamper public health. Children were tested for lead poisoning and six were found positive. The department does education about radon in the home. 530 radon test kits were handed out, 230 were returned of which 40% had an elevated level. When there is an elevated radon level, then a continuous test is done. 35 continuous tests were done. The department does a lot of outreach and education as part of the Healthy Home program.

Mayor Paine asks if there were any elevated radon tests on Kelleys Island and Thom responds that he doesn't know. Thom continues to explain that radon naturally occurs in the ground. Within Erie County it is hit and miss. Thom adds that he thinks that the radon follows fissures and emits from them. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer.

4. Discussion and/or amendments to the March 9, 2013 council minute. Motion to pass the minutes, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem; all in favor; motion carried.

4.25 Discussion and/or amendments to the March 19, 2013 council minutes. Motion to pass the minutes, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem; all in favor; motion carried.

4.5 Discussion and/or amendments to the March 20, 2013 council minutes. Motion to pass the minutes, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem; all in favor; motion carried.

4.75 Discussion and/or amendments to the March 21, 2013 council minutes. Motion to pass the minutes, made by Seeholzer, second by Feyedelem; all in favor; motion carried.

5. Discussion of Pay Ordinance No. 1125 : Motion to pass Pay Ordinance No. 1125, made by Seeholzer, second by Finger; Roll call: Kaminski- yes, Marchky- yes, Ritchie- yes, Seeholzer- yes, Feyedelem- yes, Finger- yes; motion carried.

7. Committee Reports

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7.A. Police- Chief Ehrbar says that 10 reports were filed since the last council meeting, the department has answered 101 phone calls; no arrests; no tickets; 8 warnings were given for speed, signs, seat belts; 1 accident was attended; 3 vehicle lockouts were attended; and there was 1 assist with another agency. Chief reports that the interviews for seasonal police officers have been completed and several candidates have been selected. The season has started and we have increased traffic, so please obey all traffic signals. Officer s. Craig makes a presentation to council about a personal camera system made for officers to wear.

After the police shootings in Cleveland and his experience with the newspapers last year, Ofc. Craig checked with Sandusky P.D., Cleveland P.D., and Solon P.D. and they all said that they wished that they had a recording of most incidents. Having that backup usually decreases the filing of lawsuits. The camera also provides accountability for the officers. Ofc. Craig has an estimate from Taser Corp. for three

cameras which totals \$2,153.37, which includes a 40% discount which Craig can get for the department. Chief Ehrbar agreed to support the purchase of 2 cameras, not 3. To take advantage of the discount, the cameras have to be bought by June 30th. It would be around \$1,700 to purchase 2 cameras.

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

7.C. EMS- S. Devine says that she would like to use the Town Hall for training during April and May when it is available.

7.D. Fire Dept.-Chief Hostal is out of town and Paul Hiller gives the report: No calls for March. The Chief is meeting with vendors to choose the turnout gear to be purchased with grant money. Remember that a burning permit must be obtained to burn yard waste. The yellow copy of the permit must be picked up from the office and be on the person who is attending the fire. The Fire Dept. had elections: Paul Hiller is Assistant Chief, Rick Holmes is Captain, and Tom McNeal is Lieutenant.

Mayor Paine adds that it was getting too dry to burn before we had the recent rain. Hiller further adds that burning has been under control. Seven years ago when he joined the department, the Volunteer Firemen had two nuisance calls a month. That has gone away. Mayor Paine suggests talking to LaFarge about providing help in case of a major fire.

7.E. Finance- P. Seeholzer reports that she would like to see the repave runway levy put on the November ballot. When this is passed it will conclude the payment for the repaving that was done several years ago. **Motion to have Solicitor Lambros prepare the legislation for step 1 of the levy that pays the debt of the runway re-paving, to have the levy renewal on the November ballot,** made by Seeholzer, second by Ritchie; all in favor; motion carried.

7.F. Lands & Buildings- G. Finger says that research is going on but the committee is not planning any new projects, just repairs on existing buildings. Stevenson gets a question from Seeholzer. Seeholzer says that she heard a discussion about repairing the Boker barn and she wants to see estimates. Stevenson says that he put that information in the interoffice mail boxes late yesterday. He continues that there are estimates for a new roof- both shingled and metal, a concrete floor, and siding- both

shingled and metal, both a total price and line item prices. Marchky says that at the meeting the decision was to keep the stone floor, not put concrete in. Ritchie says that a new building was also discussed and he checked with the FAA and to build a new building north of the existing Boker barn, the village would have to submit an airspace permit if the new structure was to house airport related items. If the structure was to house non-airport items, then the village would need a land release from the FAA. The RS&H consultant said that it would probably be doable. Stevenson says that he thinks that there are other locations possible for a new building. Stevenson continues that more parking is being created around the Dwelle House. Stone will be put down so that officers can park on the north side of the house and 4 more spots will be created for general parking by the Town Hall. The village already has the stone to be able to do these two parking areas. Mayor Paine reminds him that he will have to create a barrier so that the septic system can be protected. Stevenson says that Barnes will be doing planting around the restrooms around May 15th. Finger says that he wants to discuss a Military kids project for 2013 with the Park Board and in discussion with Jim Erne, they talked about picnic tables as a possibility.

7.G. Airport- G. Ritchie reports that Herbst will be here to start the airport obstacle removal project before or around May 1st.

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 has no report.

7.K. Transfer Station- D. Kaminski says that Scrap Metal Day is coming up. Clerk-Treasurer Brown adds that in past years the village had a small Erie County grant that helped defer some of the expense of recycling on Scrap Metal Day. That grant has gone away and the Transfer Station fund is paying the full cost. She asks council if they want to consider limiting who can have free removal of their scrap metal or keep it open and available to anyone. If they want to limit it Brown would suggest allowing free drop off for Transfer Station members and charging non-members.

7.L. Village Administrator- S. Stevenson says that the Huntington Lane project is moving forward for water and the road. Seeholzer asks what side of the road the water line will go on. Stevenson says that it will be on the east side. The engineering firm said

that the east side would be \$11,000 less expensive than the west side. Stevenson adds that the formula for assessments has to be decided yet. The Water Intake project is about ten days from having the drawings finished. The project will be moved to a fall schedule.

7.M. Streets & Sidewalks- L. Marchky reports that there are plans to get a contractor to look at sidewalks. A tentative plan is to allow property owners to repair the sidewalks on their property between June 1st and June 30th. After June 30th the village will repair the sidewalks and send a bill to the owner. Mayor Paine asks if the notice letter will include specifications for the sidewalk repairs. Stevenson responds that it will.

7.N. Park Board- James Erne is not present and no report is given. Stevenson says that he spoke with the owner of Ray's Indoor Mountain Bike Park in Cleveland. Stevenson spoke with him about designing one for one of the parks lands that the village was just given. Solicitor Lambros said that the village is immune from liability in its park lands as long as an accident did not happen because of a condition that was created by the village. It is called recreational immunity. Brown adds that someone will have to check the conditions of the conservation easement on those lands.

7.O. Mayor's Financial Report- Mayor Paine reads the Mayor's Court Report for March: the revenue was \$6,705.00 in fines and costs, the village received a check for \$2,642.21 that included \$40 for the computer fund, \$12 for the library fund, \$40 for the court improvement fund, and \$2,550.21 in general receipts.

7.P Legal- D. Lambros has no report.

7.Q Treasurer's Report- C. Brown reports that Council Members have the usual Fund and Treasurer's reports in their packets. The permanent appropriations were sent to the Erie County Auditor before 3-31 and we have his response back that the appropriations do not exceed the estimated resources on file. The appropriations have also been entered into our budgetary system.

The Transfer Station payments have been coming in and we have had some respondents sign up for the automatic withdrawal from their accounts. Brown wants to offer the same service to the Water Dept. customers and she is asking council to allow the expense of sending a letter with the usual post card bill in an envelope for the

2nd quarter billing. **Motion to allow the expense of mailing the information for the ACH with the second quarter bill for the Water Dept.**, made by Seeholzer, second by Ritchie; all in favor; motion passed.

Solicitor Lambros has determined that uncollected Water Department bills can be sent to the Erie county Auditor, but it must be done by the Village Administrator.

The paperwork to register with the State Attorney General's Office for debt collection seems to have gotten lost. Brown obtained another copy and gave it to the Mayor to complete and send in. It seems to be mainly oriented toward collecting bad debt for Mayor's Courts.

Brown took the cash register from the Transfer Station to Sandusky and got it repaired.

The domain name kelleysisland.us has been renewed for 2 more years.