

**Village of Clinton**  
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Of**  
**Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Tom Gunter and recited by all those present.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Marissa Gensimore, Kent Goch, Sharley Greer, Janice Godwin, and Bonnie Dilworth.

Others Present: Allen Knack, Mayor; Brent Frey, Fire Chief; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; Alethia Rantanis, Tom and Diane Gunter, and Holly Powell.

Approval of Council Minutes:

Mrs. Greer moved to approve the Regular Council Minutes for September the fifth, and Mr. Goch seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Goch, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Godwin, Ms. Dilworth, and Mrs. Gensimore each voted Aye, passing the motion.

Solicitor's Report: No Report.

Police Report: No Report.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Frey reported that, during August, the Fire Department had logged a total of 363 hours and responded to 70 calls, 13 of them fire-related. An ACLS refresher course had been conducted, as well as a training exercise with the Coventry ladder truck.

Mrs. Gensimore, citing a possible mention in the Community Newsletter, inquired about the quantity of smoke alarms available for residents. Chief Frey answered that any resident in need of a smoke detector would be provided with one, and further explained the department had recently received a \$100,000.00 grant. While the funds were awarded for turnout gear and the new self-contained breathing apparatus, a portion of leftover monies could be earmarked to replenish the Village's supply of such items as smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Mayor Knack expressed his gratitude to the Chief for his assistance in discovering Village Hall's new industrial coffeemaker as the villain behind a foul and raucous incendiary scare.

Street Commissioner's Report:

With Street Superintendent Seigenthaler not in attendance, the Mayor would deliver information relevant here in his Communications.

Fiscal Officer's Report: No Report.

Unfinished Business: None.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Knack and Fiscal Officer Weirick had attended a meeting with the health insurance providers. They'd learned of a slightly less expensive plan, the downsides of which were its short-term nature and uncertain renewability. Although rates had increased nearly \$1,200.00, employees were highly satisfied with the existing plan, to which the Village was grandmothers in and therefore would be unable to reinstate after discontinuing.

Mrs. Greer motioned to approve the SummaCare renewal, and Ms. Dilworth seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Godwin, Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Gensimore, and Mr. Goch voted Aye, and the motion passed.

A follow up would be necessary with White Ford regarding the definitive specifications for the Village's new grass fire truck, and to prevent it from being outfitted as a snowplow.

That day, the Mayor, who'd previously produced a document originating from the Ohio EPA certifying that the dump would be closed as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, had met with Jen Carlin, an environmental specialist with that agency. Accompanying her was an engineer, who'd performed punch-par tests in seven locations, each of which had registered a methane level of zero. Once the EPA had certified its findings, Mayor Knack and Street Superintendent Seigenthaler, along with Clinton Village's County Health Department representative, would complete necessary paperwork in the presence of Ms. Carlin, thereby ensuring that all t's were crossed and i's dotted as far as the formalities of closing the dump.

Work on the Village's sidewalk project would commence the following week.

Mayor Knack presented Council with paving projects for approval. Mentioned during the September fifth meeting and in the budget, said projects would be completed by Hensel Paving. Correcting the eroding sides of Van Buren was bid at \$25,550; a West Nimisila dip at \$1,000.00; damage on First Street at \$13,550.00; and berms as well as damage on Second Street at \$9,800.00, for a total project cost of \$49,850.00.

Ms. Dilworth moved to accept the bid from Hensel's Paving. Second by Mrs. Greer.

Roll Call: Mrs. Godwin, Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Goch, and Mrs. Greer all voted Aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Knack was pleased with an email he'd received from Lend EDU, informing him that the Village of Clinton was recently ranked number 90 among the 150 best Ohio towns in which to purchase a home.

He was not pleased with the new tax assessments, which had only been performed for occupied residences. Reflecting a 10-19% increase of valuation, these figures make the impending sewer

system an even more costly emprise. Dominic Basile, Summit County Fiscal Office's Deputy Fiscal Officer, was unable to offer the Mayor any information beyond the Village's tax number, or any recommendation beyond contacting the State Board of Revisions. Mayor Knack had further learned that, in a classic demonstration of the right hand not knowing what the left is doing, the first mention of this to County Council had only recently been made, with just two meetings remaining.

Mrs. Gensimore motioned to combine the Council Committee Reports with Council Communications, seconded by Ms. Dilworth.

Roll Call: Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Greer, and Mrs. Godwin voted Aye, passing the motion.

#### Council Communications and Committee Reports:

Mrs. Gensimore had received a preview version of the upcoming Community Newsletter, and praised its new editor.

Mrs. Dilworth reported on that day's meeting of the Finance Committee, wherein the last three items on 2018's proposed budget had been finalized. Its next meeting would include a review of all reports and produce a recommendation from the Committee.

Citizens' Comments: None.

#### Legislation:

##### Second Readings

##### Resolution R-17-23

A Resolution adopting a comprehensive policy addressing the security and protection of personal information for the Village of Clinton.

Mrs. Greer stated that Page Two of the Resolution would require amendment with the addition of a paragraph to include the Fire Department, and Mrs. Gensimore suggested the insertion of the language "and declaring an emergency," in its title, rendering it effective immediately upon signature.

Mrs. Greer moved to authorize the amendment of Resolution R-17-23 as discussed, and Mrs. Godwin seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Godwin, and Ms. Dilworth each voted Aye. The motion passed.

##### Ordinance O-17-24

An Ordinance to create Chapter 761: Medical marijuana cultivators, processors, and retail dispensers, and declaring an emergency.

Fiscal Officer Weirick noted that the phrase "City Council" on Page One should be changed to "Village Council."

Mrs. Gensimore motioned to amend Ordinance O-17-24, at the fifth "Whereas," to read "Village Council," and Ms. Dilworth seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Goch, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Godwin, Ms. Dilworth, and Mrs. Gensimore all voted Aye, and the motion passed.

#### Ordinance O-17-25

An Ordinance amending the Codified Ordinance Administrative Code, Section 121.02, entitled "Council Rules."

Mrs. Greer stated that Section B of the Ordinance would require amending to read "December 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year" rather than "December 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year."

Mrs. Gensimore pondered the ingenuity of the syntax "and declaring an emergency."

Chief Frey directed Council's attention toward phraseology in Section 9 requiring the Solicitor's, Police, Fire Chief's, and Street Commissioner's Reports be delivered at the first monthly meeting of Council. It was determined that, this not always being feasible, the Rules should instead make obligatory a monthly Report from each of these entities.

Mrs. Greer moved to amend Section B of Ordinance O-17-25 by altering "December 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year" to "December 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year," and to amend Exhibit A in five further areas. Ms. Dilworth seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Godwin, Ms. Dilworth, Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Goch, and Mrs. Greer voted Aye to pass the motion.

#### New Business:

Mrs. Gensimore reminded Council that submissions for the Winter edition of the Community Newsletter would be due on the first of December.

General Discussion: None.

#### Presentation of Bills:

Ms. Dilworth motioned to accept all P.O.s issued and invoices paid thru 9/15/2017. Second by Mrs. Gensimore.

Roll Call: Mrs. Gensimore, Mr. Goch, Mrs. Greer, Mrs. Godwin, and Ms. Dilworth all voted Aye. Motion passed.

Mrs. Gensimore motioned to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.



Mayor Allen Knack



Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer