

The November 8, 2016 meeting of the Newtown Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mark Kobasuk, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Council Members:** Curt Tiettmeyer (Vice Mayor)      Chuck Short      Solicitor: Doug Miller  
Daryl Zornes      Cheryl McConnell      Fiscal Officer: Keri Everett (absent)  
Joe Harten      Terry Fairley      Assistant to Mayor: Becky Fairley

December Council Meeting

Due to the upcoming holidays, the November 22 and December 27 Council Meetings were cancelled by Mayor Kobasuk. Council will meet Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, instead of December 13<sup>th</sup>. The paper has been notified.

Road Condition Complaints (Reported by Mayor Kobasuk)

Evans is working on a pipe issue and dredging out the retention pond at Ivy Hills Country Club, which has resulted in the roads being dirty causing problems for cars. The street sweeper company has been notified and will clean the roads twice a week. Evans has agreed to pay for this expense. The Ohio EPA was contacted and informed Mr. Evans that he is responsible for cleaning up the roads and making sure the dump trucks are covered with a tarp and cleaned before leaving the site. The project should be completed within the next ten days.

Cincinnati Museum Center (Gorget)

February 13, 2015, various artifacts were discovered while an excavation crew installing a utility box more than 150 feet from what is now known as the Village Municipal Center. This site was said to be a cemetery. The original gorget and artifacts are about 1600 years old and have been stabilized by the Cincinnati Museum Center who retains the items on loan. The Village of Newtown remains the owner of the artifacts. Bob Genheimer, Curator of Archaeology, presented Mayor and Council with a copy of an Engraved (bird/cat) Marine Shell Gorget discovered during the excavation. This one is engraved with the image of a composite animal or chimera. The head, primary feathers, and tail feathers of a bird are joined by the feet and tail of a mammal, most likely another panther. And, the bird may very well be a Carolina parakeet, which has been extinct over 100 years. The copy will be placed in the Museum Center shortly after the first of the year. Read more at (<https://www.cincymuseum.org/press/newtown-gorget-discovered>.)

LMFRD Settlement Agreement (Reported by Solicitor Miller)

Solicitor Miller will follow-up and report back to Council.

Council Checklist

The below checklist reflects a full month's expenses and includes a \$59,750.69 payment to J.K. Meurer for 2016 Paving Improvements.

**Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to approve the 11.08.2016 Council Checklist for \$229,494.79. Mr. Harten seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

Phone System (Reported by Curt Tiettmeyer)

Two weeks ago, MVD upgraded the Administration phone system and connected them to the Police Department's Avaya phone system. Converting the phones will save the Village money.

Resolution, Contract Purchase of Police Cruisers

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Tiettmeyer. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 30-2016 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH GREVE CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE CRUISERS, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Resolution, Contract w/MobilComm

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Short. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 31-2016 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MOBILCOMM FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE EQUIPMENT, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Resolution, Contract w/Vinyl Graphics

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Short. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 32-2016 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VINYL GRAPHICS FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE GRAPHICS, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Ordinance, Declaring Property as Surplus

The following items of personal property are declared to be surplus property, after the first of the year, upon the purchase of two new police vehicles.

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Short. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Zornes made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 18-2016 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PERSONAL PROPERTY AS SURPLUS, AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSITION, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Resolution, Contracts for Employee Health Insurance

This resolution is for the purpose to obtain employee health, dental, vision and life insurance. At the 10.25.2016 Council Meeting, a 10% contribution on the medical insurance was discussed. After further discussion, Council decided to make the contribution 7.5% in place of the suggested 10%. The change is reflected in Section 3 of the new resolution. Due to a conflict of interest, Mr. Fairley will abstain on the following since Becky Fairley has dental and life insurance, which are included in the resolution.

**Mr. Harten made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mrs. McConnell. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Abstain, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Harten made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 33-2016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACTS FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Abstain, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

WeTHRIVE! Update (Reported by Joe Harten)

Mr. Harten will meet Nov. 18th with Hannah Smith, Hamilton County Public Health to discuss moving forward with the WeTHRIVE! Initiative.

Council Minutes Approval

**Mr. Short made a motion to approve the 10.25.2016 Council Minutes, Mr. Tiettmeyer seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

Planning Commission (Reported by Cheryl McConnell)

Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on 10.27.2016 for a conditional use for 6926-6929 Main Street. Doscher's Candies is the applicant and received approval to locate its retail and production of candy to this location. Nine permanent jobs will be realized in the Village. Operating hours will be (M-F 8am to 4pm). Construction should be completed Sept. 2017. A site plan is at the Municipal Center for viewing. Retail sales will take place in the front of the building with production taking place in the rear of the building in a new addition to the building. Doscher's Candies was founded in 1871 by Claus *Doscher*, a German immigrant who arrived in Cincinnati in 1868. The company is known for the famous French chew taffy and their candy canes are still hand-made. Other business was also discussed.

Planning also discussed site plan review for the Vanderzee property located at 6836 School Street. The homeowner had installed gravel in the right-of-way prior to obtaining authorization; parking in the right-of-way was the issue. Approval to retain the gravel was granted; parking in the right-of-way was *not* approved. School Street should be paved within the five-year paving plan, per Bruce Brandstetter. Widening of School Street with possible curbs should also be considered when it is paved.

Planning Commission's next meeting is Nov. 17, 2016 at 6pm. Chicka Sports is on the agenda.

Building and Zoning Department (Reported by Cheryl McConnell)

Fee structure for permits will be presented at the 12.6.2016 Council Meeting. Many municipalities adopt and adhere to the Hamilton County fee structure for both residential and commercial. Many contractors that call and talk to Becky assume Newtown follows Hamilton County fee structure.

Maintenance Department (Reported by Terry Fairley)

After Maintenance Supervisor Chuck Morgan and I interviewed the candidates that applied for the open part-time Maintenance Technician position, we made the recommendation to Mayor Kobasuk to interview Chad McMillen. Chad's background is in lawn maintenance, snow plowing and home and equipment repairs. This position replaces the part-time position vacated by Tony Baxter. This position was advertised on the Village website.

**Mr. Fairley made a motion to hire Chad McMillen, subject to background, drug test and physical as a part-time Maintenance Technician. Mrs. McConnell seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Executive Session

**Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:26pm to discuss Hiring and Compensation of a Public Official. Mr. Fairley seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Fairley-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Fairley made a motion to reconvene the Council meeting at 7:55pm. Mrs. McConnell seconded the motion. No action will be taken as a result of the executive session.**

**Mr. Fairley made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:56pm. Mr. Tiettmeyer seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

Transcribed by Becky Fairley