

The June 23, 2015 meeting of the Newtown Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Curt Cosby, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council Members: Joe Harten
Mark Kobasuk
Cheryl McConnell
Chuck Short
Curt Tiettmeyer
Daryl Zornes
Solicitor: Doug Miller

Miami Valley Christian Academy

Shawn Baker, past MVCA Head of School, thanked Mayor Cosby and Village Council for their efforts in making the athletic complex a reality. He specifically thanked Councilman Joe Harten and Councilman Mark Kobasuk for working diligently with the MVCA board members on the agreement between the Village of Newtown and MVCA. June 15, 2015, MVCA Board Members unanimously approved the agreement and look forward to a great partnership for many years to come. As a volunteer, Mr. Baker will remain engaged in the development phase of the athletic complex that will be constructed at Short Park.

Clock – Bicentennial Park

The existing clock was installed by The Verdin Company twenty-two years ago and is not functioning properly. Jim Verdin talked to Mayor and Village Council about doing a complete overhaul on the clock. The cost to replace the inside parts and paint the clock is \$9,200, which comes with a three-year warranty. The Verdin Company would come out twice a year to check the clock. (After the three-year warranty, the current price for Verdin to come out to check the clock is \$275 per year.) Revamping the clock should increase the life span another fifteen to twenty years. The cost of a new clock is \$14,000. Mr. Verdin said the existing clock is a valuable piece and is often sold for more than the original cost.

6840 School Street Property Update

The property is still scheduled for Sheriff's sale. Efforts have been made to find homes for some of the cats. Mr. Murray is working to remove his personal belongings. Estimates to board up the property will be presented at the 7.14.2015 Council Meeting.

Engineering Update, Brandstetter Carroll Inc.

Ben Brandstetter reported on the OPWC projects. The small government committee heard all of the projects submitted and none of the Village projects were funded. 2016 Applications are due September 2015. Increasing the local match to 50% should increase the potential of funding the projects.

Round Bottom Road Storm Drain

BCI requested proposals from three contractors; Adleta Construction submitted a cost proposal to remove and replace 40LF of conduit for \$22,595.20 as directed, as a contingency. Cleaning cost of 260LF of conduit is \$10,667.80. Total cost is \$33,263.00. An alternate was included in the proposal for an additional 20LF. This resulted in a lower unit price and a total of \$6,238.00 for the 20 additional linear feet. The build-up of sediment occurred when an adjacent property was being developed. As a result, erosion was coming into the storm system, as well as the build-up of sediment. BCI will contact Adleta Construction to move forward.

Edith, Jefferson, Pine and Ragland Road Drainage Project

At a previous Council Meeting, Mark Gillespie suggested pouring a concrete pad above the headwall at the creek for the maintenance personnel. Bruce Brandstetter said it is a good idea and depth markers should be placed in the creek also. Mr. Brandstetter estimated the cost for the concrete pad and depth markers would be around \$2,000.

Insurance for Lake Barber

Karie Novesl - Hylant Administrative Services talked to Mayor and Council about the Village's property and liabilities. The Ohio Plan took another look at covering Lake Barber and decided to insure the property since there is proper emergency access to the lake. Additional coverage will be added; the contract with Mr. Hall needs to be modified to remove the right to waive subrogation.

Ordinance, Agreement w/MVCA

Mr. Harten made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mark Kobasuk. All Aye.

Mr. Harten made a motion to have the Third and Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 12-2015 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY TO CONSTRUCT A SPORTS COMPLEX AT SHORT PARK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Tiettmeyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes. Motion Carried.

Lake Barber – Progress on opening issues (Reported by Joe Harten)

Mr. Harten will review some of the questions regarding insurance with Ms. Everett. BCI has suggested that several bollards be placed at Lake Barber: 1) a bollard is to be placed onto the trail right outside of the parking lot and 2) one on either side of the bridge. Ben Brandstetter will provide quotes for removable bollards. Council agreed to authorize Mayor Cosby to order the bollards with Ben once the proper ones are sourced. Mr. Harten will present language for the sign at the next meeting. Junior Atkins is working on the approval process for the fenced area at Hydro Systems. They have bids of \$8,000 to \$9,000. There will be two gates; one for vehicles and a regular gate for people to walk through. The Village of Woodlawn is interested in the old bridge. If that doesn't work out, Ben is giving quotes to potentially remove or destroy the bridge.

Mr. Harten made a motion to give Mayor Cosby the authority to spend up to \$10,000 for three removable bollards, in consultation with Ben Bradstetter and Chair of Parks Joe Harten, to limit control access to the new Lake Barber trail. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Planning Commission Update (Reported by Mrs. McConnell)

The Planning Commission met June 10, 2015 at 7pm. BEE Holdings Inc., owned by Doug Evans is interested in building homes in the open lots across from St. John Fisher Catholic Church. The goal is to avoid if possible having a series of six or seven driveways going out onto Church Street. The depth of the lots is 150' (50' x 150'). They proposed to create an easement at the back of the lots parallel with Church Street. Planning decided the easement should be at least 18' to get two cars through with a two-foot buffer. There will be a HOA agreement that will deal with the responsibility of each of the individual homeowners to take care of the easement. Planning has requested additional information on the new homes, which are expected to be similar to the two newer ones built by Kelly Homes. The six or seven new homes will also be built by Kelly Homes.

A possible zone change was also discussed for the seven lots along the driveway going into Short Park from Church Street and across the drive, including Van Lock at the rear of Center Street. Little Miami Real Estate is requesting the zone change; they own the Brian Kelly LLC (BK) building. These lots are currently zoned Residential Two Family. The Planning Commission needs to adopt an Ordinance to recommend to Council to take the next step. The next steps that would need to be taken if Council approves the ordinance have been outlined by Solicitor Miller.

LMFD Fire Board Update (Reported by Mark Kobasuk)

The Board did not meet for the last scheduled meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Ohio Division of Liquor Control

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to not request a hearing for Five Rivers Oil LLC, previously Ivy Hills Market, 7381 Main Street. Mr. Tiettmeyer seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Council Checklist

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to approve the 6.23.2015 Council Checklist for \$59,984.93, seconded by Mr. Kobasuk. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Police Department Renovation and Change Orders (Reported by Curt Tiettmeyer)

Renovations are moving forward with construction of the new offices. Exterior lights have been installed. They are waiting on the plumbing inspector to approve the storm sewer before moving forward with the plumbing work on the first floor and basement.

A spread sheet on the phone system was presented for review; discussion will continue at the 7.14.2015 meeting.

Police Department Renovations Change Orders No. 1-3 (\$21,785.00)

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

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-2015 A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDERS TO A CONTRACT WITH JOHN P. TUMLIN & SONS LTD. DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes. Motion Carried.

Police Lockers

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to approve an order from Big Dog Warehouse for \$3,858.62 to purchase lockers for the Police Department locker room. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Resolution, 2016 Village Tax Budget

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to have the Second Reading of a RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2016 TAX BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF NEWTOWN. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to have the Third Reading at the 7.14.2015 Council Meeting, seconded by Mr. Harten. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Finance Packet (Reported by Curt Tiettmeyer)

Municipal Income Tax Collections through the month of May are in line with 2014 collections. A second quarter mid-year report will be presented to Council at the 7.28.2015 or 8.11.2015 Council meeting.

Council Minutes

Mr. Zornes made a motion to approve the 6.09.2015 Council Minutes, seconded by Mr. Tiettmeyer. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Resolution, Employee Vision Insurance

Mr. Zornes made a motion to have a First Reading on A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR EMPLOYEE VISION INSURANCE. Mr. Harten seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Zornes made a motion to have the Second Reading at the 7.14.2015 Council Meeting, seconded by Mr. Harten. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Maintenance Supervisor – Cemetery Sexton

Mr. Zornes, HR Chair, said Mark Gillespie, current Maintenance Supervisor, who will be leaving the Village, has asked to stay on as a volunteer for the Flag Spring Cemetery to complete a few projects he has been working on. Mr. Short said he has been working to catalog the graves and digitizing the records. Mr. Gillespie doesn't want pay to do the work but asked if the Village would cover his health insurance for sixty days. Mr. Kobasuk asked that Mr. Gillespie present a proposal with a time-line as to when the project would be completed. The agreement should include an hourly dollar amount. Mr. Harten said he doesn't want to tie the consulting work with insurance.

Village Streets - Restriping (Reported by Mr. Short)

Hamilton County restriped Village streets five years ago. They submitted the best bid for \$4,202.84. The restriping includes the double yellow center lines, edge lines and white lines. Mr. Tiettmeyer said this expenditure comes out of Contracted Services for the streets. The budget is around \$15,000, which covers this type of expense. The Maintenance Department recently painted arrows and white stop bars on the streets.

Mr. Short made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$4,202.84. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Round Bottom Road Storm Drain

Mr. Short made a motion to approve \$33,263 for the storm drain with a contingency of an additional \$6,238, if needed. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Executive Session

Mr. Zornes made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:10pm to discuss personnel. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Harten-Yes, Mrs. McConnell-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes. Motion Carried.

Council reconvened at 8:27pm. The following action will be taken as a result of the Executive Session:

Mr. Zornes made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$500 to place an ad on Career Building for thirty days, for the Maintenance Supervisor position. Mr. Harten seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to adjourn at 8:27pm, seconded by Mr. Tiettmeyer. Motion Carried.

Transcribed by Becky Fairley