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Regular Council Meeting

March 27th, 2013

The March 27th, 2013 Council Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Steven Rockwell.

Roll call: Barber, Basterash, Fox, Maloney, Weilnau and Wolf. Also present-Fiscal Officer Mary Bruno, Administrator Kevin Ackerman and Solicitor Vickie Ruffing.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Basterash to approve the Minutes of the March 13th, 2013 Council Meeting after correcting Solicitor Vickie Ruffing was in attendance. She was not present for the meeting. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Barber to approve the Council Bills for March 27th, 2013 in the amount of \$7,882.52. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to approve the Utility Bills for March 27th, 2013 in the amount of \$21,239.17. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.

Citizens Participation –None

OLD COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Street, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-None

Safety-None

Finance-None

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities- None

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-None

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~~Parks and Trees~~- A 20-foot, 6-inch tree will be planted in the Square. Half of the cost of the tree will be paid for by the American Legion. The Street Department will ensure the tree is watered once a month for the next 5 years.

NEW COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Sewers-None

Safety-None

Finance-The Finance Chairperson was given prices for a new Administrators car. The current car is over 10 years old and in need of replacement.

Regional Planning, Building Codes and Inspections-None

Utilities- There was a pinhole leak in the above ground diesel fuel tank for the emergency generator at the WTP. The tank was pumped out and a replacement tank has been ordered.

AMP Ohio Forestry Crew will continue clearing the electric lines. The plan is a 2 week project at a cost of approximately \$8,110.00. There was discussion about proper trimming, and Al Siewart will cover the issue with the trimmers.

Civic Contact and Historical Preservation-None

Parks & Trees-None

Unfinished Business- None

Legislation

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2013 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion by Barber seconded by Fox to suspend the rules for the 2013 Permanent Appropriations. Roll call: Basterash-yes, Fox-yes, Maloney asked what the motion was for and was told to suspend the rules-yes, he wanted discussion to be held, Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes, Barber-yes, motion carried. Fox stated the police department didn't have enough money, that it would be gone by August. The Mayor brought up other local areas experiencing severe decreases in their general funds, including police departments, the layoffs that go with the cuts. He said

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Perkins Police Department is at the mercy of a levy. The Mayor also said it was important for departments to live within their means. The Fiscal Officer said she cannot appropriate money that isn't there. The Village is projected to be down in the general fund at least \$65,000.00 beginning this year and going forward due to property tax decreases, as well as state and local government cuts. The Mayor stated the focus is currently for the equipment for the street department, where the majority of vehicles are models from the 90's. Maloney brought up the Electric Replacement Fund, stating it was part of the electric formula and Village residents were being charged too much. The Fiscal Office and Administrator stated the replacement fund is for replacement, meaning it can only be used for the transmission portion of service for the utility it is charged for. Maloney stated it was part of the electric formula several times, and several times was told it was not. The Mayor shut the conversation down stating it had nothing to do with the appropriations. Motion by Basterash, seconded by Barber to adopt the 2013 Permanent Appropriations by title only as an emergency. Roll call: Fox-no, Maloney-no, Weilnau-yes, Wolf-yes, Barber-yes, Basterash-yes. Motion carried, Ordinance no. 603-03-13

Motion by Barber, seconded by Fox to adjourn. Vote-all yeas, motion carried.



Steven Rockwell, Mayor



Mary Bruno, Fiscal Officer