

Sugarcreek Village Council had a Regular Council Meeting on Monday March 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in council chambers with Mayor Clayton Weller presiding.

Visitors: Bev Keller, Chief Kaser, Chief Miller, Michael Blauch, Heather Blauch, Michael Hammond, Charles Klein, John Meek, Bill Theiss, and Doug Frautschy.

Roll Call: Mick Fanning, Arlen Hostetler, Jeff Schrock, Linda Wilson, Paul Alderfer, and Sam Beachy.

Minutes: The Mayor asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Sam Beachy pointed out 2 errors, and Schrock made a motion to approve the minutes with the two corrections, second by Beachy. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried.

Expenditures: Council had a couple of questions about the invoices, and got their answers. Schrock made a motion to pay list of bills submitted by the Fiscal/Officer, second by Beachy. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried.

Mayor: Mayor Clayton Weller informed the Council Members that he had held his meeting for the residents with the Miller Avenue Booster Station and Water line Replacement. There will be a Shade Tree Committee on March 9th at 12:15. In the packets for the Council members, was a letter letting them know that the new Sewer Plant was paid off.

Bids for Miller Avenue Booster Pump: Mayor Clayton Weller said that Diversified Engineering recommended the bid for this project be awarded to John Woodford from Levittsburg Ohio, for \$583,034.00. Since we are going with a loan from OWPC, we have to go with the lowest bid. Hostetler made a motion to go with John Woodford, second by Wilson. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried. Mayor Weller would like to have an inspector on the job. If Diversified were to get one, the cost would be \$65.00 an hour. Mayor found gentlemen in town that had worked for the Village before in the Sewer Department. We would only be paying him \$25.00 an hour, his name is Jim Cappon. Beachy made a motion to hire Cappon, second by Hostetler. Vote recorded: Yea, Motion carried.

Solicitor: Solicitor Doug Frautschy reported that he is working with Attorney Mike Warkall, on the property to be vacated on Yoder Avenue. He drew up an Ordinance and would like for Council to do the first reading on this. He will let Council know when they have worked everything out.

Village Administration: Bill Theiss reported to Council that bids were opened on Friday, for the paving part of widening on Route 39. We had two bids, and would like Council to accept the lowest bid from Newton Asphalt at \$127,756.00. Beachy made a motion to accept the bid from New Asphalt, second by Wilson. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried. The question then came up about the water that is running on the East bound lane, in the location of the widening on Route 39. Mayor Clayton Weller said that he has Matt Miller looking into this problem. Bill Theiss would like to work with the Personnel, Economic Development Committee, who have a meeting scheduled on March 13th at 6:00 p.m., and take 15 minutes prior, to have a meeting with Streets, Water, & Sewer, to go over the paving for 2017. Jeff Schrock said that this would work for 6:00 p.m. on March 13th.

Fire: Chief Kevin Miller reported that John Meek had applied for a Grant, from the Reeves Foundation, for a heart monitor. We did receive a Grant for \$21,500.00, which will purchase one monitor. John Meek asked if he gets support from Sugarcreek Township, and Auburn, would the Council ok the Village to split another monitor four ways. John would talk to Sugarcreek Township and Auburn, and said that the Fire Department has their funds they are willing to go in with the other three. Schrock said that he would like for Council to table this until we find out what the others are doing. Mayor Clayton Weller made an appointment to promote John Meek to Assistant EMS Chief. Schrock made a motion to promote John Meek, second by Beachy. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried.

Police: Chief Kevin Kaser wanted to thank Matt Beachy, owner of Troyer Furniture, for his help with the break ins.

Mayor Clayton Weller would like for Council to go into Executive Session to discuss voluntary personnel reduction in hours at 7:35. Schrock made a motion to go into executive session, second by Fanning. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried. Mayor would like for Solicitor Doug Frautschy and Chief Kaser to attend. Council resumed at 7:45. Beachy made a motion to accept the volunteering of Stephen Richardson, going from Full-time Police Officer to Part-time status, second by Alderfer. Vote recorded: Yea 6, Motion carried.

Land, Buildings, & Sidewalks: Sam Beachy and the Mayor have noticed the both the new Police Station and the front of the Fire Station, have some water run off issues, and wood rotting. The Council would like for the Mayor to look into this further.

Personnel, Economic Development: Schrock wanted to remind everyone about the March 13th meeting to hopefully finish up the handbook changes.

Ordinance #17-2191 Titled: VACATING A PORTION OF YODER AVENUE IN THE VILLAGE OF SUGARCREEK, OHIO was read for the first time.

Ordinance #17-2192 Titled: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER OF THE VILLAGE OF SUGARCREEK, OHIO TO SELL A 2011 DODGE CHARGER POLICE CAR.

Having no further business Hostetler made a motion to adjourn.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor