

Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2015

Mayor Monahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council in Attendance: Charlie Callender, Mahesh Dalvi, James Gauldin, Dan Mathews, Mike McVan and Josh Vidor

Also Present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski and Solicitor Brian Zets

Absent: Administrator Ed Swanson

Minutes

It was moved by Callender, seconded by McVan to approve the minutes of September 14, 2015. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 4; Callender, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Abstain, two; Gauldin and Dalvi. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Agenda

It was moved by McVan, seconded by Callender to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Solicitor

Brian said that he has a bench trial tomorrow in Delaware. He said that the income tax legislation ordinance will be coming to council soon.

Village Administrator

Mayor Monahan gave Ed's report: Just spoke with the paving company. They are going to prep on Wednesday, paving on Thursday and striping the following day weather depending.

Police Chief Report

Acting Chief Baron said there are a couple of things they have been working on and he took these to Safety last week and everyone seemed to be in support of it. Some changes to the hiring process starting January 1. The Governor put together a collaboration for community police relations and they mandated some changes to police department polices and hiring standards and processes so we are going to jump on board with the national testing network. For example, Sunbury who took in about twenty applications in a twelve month period, posted on national testing network , they advertise on MD, Craig's list, all the job places, it's a flat fee of \$500.00 per year. Sunbury upped it to eighty nine applications this year alone. We are going to add an oral board which will consist of one officer, one member from Council or safety committee and then either an outside agency officer or a member from the community, someone who would like to be part of that process and that will be based on a standard scoring process that we are kind of stealing from Delaware County so we don't reinvent the wheel. It will be a standardized list of

questions so there will not be any training or coaching prior to that, just the piece of paper we give you. We are then going to add a CVSA, computerized voice stress analysis, which is similar to a polygraph. Delaware County Sheriff's office will provide that service for free. He said there are a couple of other steps that we will do also.

He said in regards to recruiting, we have a shortage of applications and he feels that the national testing network, just the advertising piece alone, will be huge for us. We have taken in about twenty five application this year and out of that maybe four viable candidates and on top of that Corporal Lehner will be moving to Nashville in October, Phil Flahive has been hired by Delaware County. He will start at the end of October and Dave Gatterdam was given an offer from Dublin Police Department and he is leaving in December. It is looking like Pizzi is going to Delaware County in December as well. This is all for full time employment.

Right now we are working on maximizing staffing to provide more coverage. By changing the schedule around we have heard back from residents that they have seen an increase in officer activity in the neighborhood. He said he is seeing an increase in activity in hours. We promoted Officer Gough to Corporal to maintain the continuity of leadership.

Last Saturday we qualified out at the Union County Sheriff's Office range. Every single officer, first time around, qualified with the rifle, shotgun, pistol and taser. We did range a little bit different. Before we would have range on Saturday and we would take the whole PD out to the range and keep them there for eight hours. This time officers signed up for one hour blocks. They came out and qualified and they went home. This gave our instructors a lot more repetition doing the instructional portion of the qualification. It gives them more experience and it kept an officer here in the village for each shift.

Car 53 is at the body shop right now getting repaired from the traffic accident this past summer. The light bars on Car 53 and 51 are getting replaced. They are about ten years old and the colors have faded. They will be clear to match the new SUV.

Acting Chief Baron said all of our computers, which we purchased in 2012, are Mark 2 which is version two and Panasonic is now on version six. The computer in car 53 is not functioning at all and there have been some issues with the hardware and/or software with the system we use in Delaware County and we are looking into replacing at least one new computer for car 53 which is part of the reappropriations tonight.

Mayor Monahan asked if they had looked into any grants for this. Acting Chief Baron said they are ineligible for any grants this year and he thinks next year because of the grant we received for the radios. He said the computers will be about \$900.00 plus a piece this year and they will be Mark 5's. Hopefully we can do all three. If we go to Mark 6 we would have to replace all the hardware in the cars and that adds thousands of dollars to the cost. These will be factory refurbished computers. New ones cost about \$3,500.00. The refurbished ones will have a three year warranty. One thing we looked at doing in the future was, and this was based on Sergeant Devore's suggestion, was when we purchase a new car, we purchase a new computer and when we get rid of that car the computer goes with that car.

Budget has been submitted to Shirley

Communication with the Community.

One big thing that we always hear is that we didn't hear that that happened and one thing we have been working on was trying to figure out how to reach the masses. Last week we had an attempted abduction down on Shawnee Trail. We put that out on Facebook and within twenty four hours we had 27,000 views and it had been shared about 450 times. I don't think Facebook is the long term answer but it helped and it worked. Less than a week after we posted that we had

the suspect. It wound up not being an attempted abduction. It was another parent down there and thankfully it worked out that way. We had the suspect call us and come in and talked to us about it.

Mayor Monahan said just no use of policy stuff on Facebook. Chief Baron said correct.

Council member Dalvi said what you could do though, just to be careful. You probably want to have a link back to our Shawnee Hills police page for detailed information. So that way people can click on it and go there. Acting Chief Baron said we do have the website linked with the Facebook page.

Some things upcoming. Softball game this Saturday with Concord Township Fire Department. Hopefully we will be getting the trophy back. The game starts at one p.m.

We are hosting a rifle armor course which give us two free spots for our officers and we will get another free rifle for hosting the course and it will be held at the civic building. We will open this to the public so anyone from the community that wants to can attend this class, contact the police department. The cost for the class is \$350.00 and you call the company that is hosting the class.

On October 10th from ten to noon we are hosting something here for Corporal Lehner. He has been here almost ten years.

Communications

Mayor Monahan gave the following report:

The Ohio Checkbook program of which we are a participant is kicking off.

We submitted this quote to the paper:

We welcome the roll out of the OhioCheckbook! We have always operated with openness and fiscal accountability to our residents and want them to know how their tax money has been and is being spent!

Pat Monahan Mayor
Shawnee Hills OH

I have the RITA Report dated 9-15-15 if anyone would like to discuss it.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Monahan gave the following report:

The Village picnic was great on Sunday 9-20. Thanks for all who attended and thank especially Katie Matthews, Shirley, Russ and Jing for all of their help!

With regret we received a resignation from Cpl. Lehner. He has been an officer in the Village since 2006. Dan will be missed and thanks to him for his great service. They are moving to Nashville because Dan received a promotion with Grange.

The electrical work will happen this week at the Police bldg.

We had what appeared could have been an attempted child abduction. After investigation it turned out to be another of the school children's parents' and not an attempted abduction.

Committee Reports

Council member Gauldin said that UST met and after a brief discussion we determined that we were waiting on a little bit more information from Ed on updates from Chris Tebbe.

Mayor Monahan said from a clarification standpoint the finance committee is before council the last meeting of the month. We do need to go through and pick out any projects for next year.

Legislative Actions

It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Gauldin to take Resolution 17-2015 off the table. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Second Reading- Resolution 17-2015- A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor and declaring an emergency. It was moved by Gauldin, seconded by Callender to suspend with the third reading and declare Resolution 17-2015 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote. It was moved by Gauldin, seconded by McVan to adopt Resolution 17-2015 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared Resolution 17-2015 adopted by a 6-0 vote.

Second Reading- Resolution 18-2015 – A Resolution that the Village of Shawnee Hills host an employee appreciation dinner.

First Reading- Ordinance 26-2015- An Ordinance to reappropriate funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Shawnee Hills, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 and declaring an emergency. Shirley said that under the police department salaries and wages she is not sure when or if we are going to stop paying Sean and we are paying other officers to cover those forty hours so she has adjusted the pay through the end of the year. She said the PD will not be using the ten thousand for the grants match so she is moving that to building and supplies so the PD can purchase three computers and the new roof that they need. She said since we have additional funds this year it is best to spend the money this year and get it done. Council member Dalvi said the increase of eight thousand under supplies is for what. Shirley said for three new computers and keyboards and under building maintenance we are going to do the roof. Council member Mathews said we were going to do the roof as a 2016 budget item so if it is done now it is taken care of. Mayor Monahan said is it what we need to get done with the roof. I am a little bothered by it just because if we need any more on that. Shirley said we are getting the electric done and the roof is leaking and because Aspen Energy stayed in the village longer than we had thought and we are not sure when they are leaving next year, it is best to spend the money now. Council member Dalvi said the finance committee recommendation was go and get the quotes for the roofing. We did not agree to do it this year. We agreed on the electric. That was clearly stated in the finance committee meeting. Council member Gauldin said we were ready to discuss that at finance tonight but we did not have a meeting because we did not have a quorum. Council member Dalvi said I understand that but my thing is if we have a committee and the committee gives some guidance. Council member Gauldin said they came back with guidance tonight and the committee wasn't there. Council member Dalvi asked what was the guidance? Council member Gauldin said I couldn't have a meeting because the committee wasn't there so we can't sit here and talk about something that didn't happen. Shirley said that Russ has gotten two quotes since we only had one last time

and he is in the process of getting another one soon and we are going to wait because one quote was low and the other one was high. If these funds are approved this year then the roof can get replaced this year. Council member Dalvi asked how much were the quotes. Russ said he has one quote for \$4,800.00 and he has another one for \$7,200.00. This is to replace the roof and the gutters. Council member McVan said the \$4,800.00 is a good price. Russ said the water spot above his desk is growing. Council member Dalvi said if you feel comfortable that the lower quote is from the right people than I am fine with it.

It was moved by Gauldin, seconded by McVan to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 26-2015 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote. It was moved by Gauldin, seconded by McVan to adopt Ordinance 26-2015 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared Ordinance 26-2015 adopted by a 6-0 vote.

Bills

It was moved by McVan, seconded by Mathews to approve the bills in the amount of \$24,568.69. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Treasurer's Report

It was moved by Callender, seconded by Gauldin to approve the following treasurer's report: General Fund 365,329.34, Street Fund 141,193.24, State Highway Fund 10,405.22, Drug Law Enforcement Fund 200.00, Indigent Drivers Interlock Fund 385.84, Enforcement and Education Fund 2,010.00, Mayor's Court Computer Fund 7,222.98, Fire Fund 78,739.10, Weed Fund 4,775.89, TIF Fund 12,894.22, TIF 2 Fund 8,510.96, Veteran's Memorial Fund 98.97, Capital Projects Fund 5,770.25, Sewer Operating Fund 47,373.33, Sewer Replacement Fund 166,000.00, Storm Sewer Fund 4,178.86, Enterprise Debt Service Fund 120,291.40 and Enterprise Debt Service Reserve Fund 100,182.88 for a total of \$1,075,562.48. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Miscellaneous Business

Shirley said that one of our residents stopped into the office and asked about the cost of trash pickup in the village and there was also a question recently on facebook about the same subject. She supplied Council with a copy of a survey that was completed by the Delaware General Health District in regards to the cost of trash pickup within the county. Shirley said that the village might be able to get a better rate if it was put out for bid.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Gauldin, seconded by McVan to adjourn until October 12, 2015. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Callender, Dalvi, Gauldin, Mathews, McVan and Vidor. Nay, none. Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.