

The regular meeting of the Williamsburg Village Council was held on Thursday January 25, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center - 107 West Main Street, Williamsburg, Clermont County, Ohio.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **MAYOR:** Mary Ann Lefker, **VICE-MAYOR** - Guy Bainum, **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Charles Covert, James Weaver, Dr. James King, Traci Schueler-Hurst, and Eric Heiser. **VISITORS PRESENT:** **Staff Present:** **SOLICITOR:** Dexter Bastin, **POLICE CHIEF:** Michael Gregory, **MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR:** Jeremy Fite, **ADMINISTRATOR:** Patti Bates, **CLERK / TREASURER:** Michael Murray, and **FINANCE MANAGER:** Denise Wehrum.

Mayor Lefker called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIENCE STATEMENTS:

Pat Rutherford and Geoff Rutherford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman King made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2007 Regular Council Meeting as presented. Councilman Heiser seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Lefker opened the floor to nominations for Vice-Mayor.

Councilman Weaver nominated Guy Bainum for Vice-Mayor. Councilman Covert seconded.

Councilman Covert made a motion to close the floor to nomination for Vice-Mayor. Councilman Heiser seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst made a motion to appoint Guy Bainum to the position of Vice-Mayor. Councilman Weaver seconded. Roll call as follows: Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst – aye, Councilman Weaver – aye, Councilman King – aye, Councilman Bainum – abstain, Councilman Covert – aye, Councilman Heiser – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Lefker reported that the Township Trustees have requested a Joint Meeting January 29th at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Mayor Lefker presented a recommendation from Chief Gregory to promote Auxiliary Officer Tera Campbell to Part-time at a pay rate of \$9.25 per hour pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical and drug screen with a 6 month probationary period.

Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst made a motion to promote Auxiliary Officer Tera Campbell to Part-time at a pay rate of \$9.25 per hour pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical and drug screen with a 6 month probationary period. Vice-Mayor Bainum seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

Mayor Lefker presented a recommendation from Chief Gregory to promote Auxiliary Officer Paul Sturgill to Part-time at a pay rate of \$9.50 per hour pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical and drug screen with a 6 month probationary period.

Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst made a motion to promote Auxiliary Officer Paul Sturgill to Part-time at a pay rate of \$9.50 per hour pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical and drug screen with a 6 month probationary period. Councilman Heiser seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

No report.

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Murray presented the third reading of Ordinance No. 961-07 entitled... Amending the Zoning Code.

Councilman King made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 961-07. Councilman Weaver seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

Mr. Murray presented the third reading of Ordinance No. 962-07 entitled... Accepting the Codified Ordinances.

Vice-Mayor Bainum made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 962-07. Councilman Weaver seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

Mr. Murray presented the first reading of Ordinance No. 965-07 entitled... Adopting the 2007 Ohio Basic Code. Chief Gregory recommended suspending the rules on this ordinance.

Vice-Mayor Bainum made a motion to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 965-07. Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

Mr. Murray presented the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 965-07.

Councilman Weaver made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 965-07. Councilman Covert seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mrs. Bates asked Mr. Fite to provide an update on the East Side Water Tower Project.

Mr. Fite reported on the progress of the project and the water main breaks on South Broadway.

Mrs. Bates informed Council that she sent a letter to all local businesses introducing herself.

Mrs. Bates informed Council that she would have a Graduate Student from NKU "job shadowing" for a brief period of time in February.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Park Committee – Councilman King reported that the committee had met. Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst reported that the Wireless connection is being tested at this time.

Personnel Committee - Councilman Weaver reported that the next meeting will be February 05, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Committee - Vice-Mayor Bainum reported that the next meeting will be February 5, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Safety Committee – Chief Gregory reported that the committee met, and that he has faxed a list of street lights that need repaired to Duke.

Utility Committee –Councilman Heiser reported that the committee met and that the next meeting will be February 13, 2007 at 4:30 p.m.

Economic Development Committee – Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst reported that the next meeting will be February 6, 2007 at 6:00.

Mrs. Bates distributed photos and plans for the pavers layout and light post bases. It was the consensus of Council that the Economic Development committee look at samples and bring a recommendation to Council. Mayor Lefker asked the committee to also inquire as to why there aren't bump outs at all intersections.

Tree Board – Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst reported that there would be no tree Board meeting in February.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Vice-Mayor Bainum moved that the bills presented be paid. Councilman Weaver seconded. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Lefker inquired as to the status of the street sign at All Star Dr. Mr. Fite stated that he has ordered replacement signs.

An update was provided on the West Main Storm-water project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Murray asked the Planning Commission to look at the Store-n-Lock regarding the storage of vehicles in disrepair in front of the business.

Mr. Murray stated that Main Street at Second Street needed to be better repaired in conjunction with or prior to the streetscape completion.

Mr. Murray asked if someone would encourage the Township to try to get the Trailer Sales lot on St Rt 276 cleaned up. Mayor Lefker reported that she would bring that up at the joint meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilwoman Schueler-Hurst moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Covert seconded the motion. All ayes by roll call. Motion carried.