

COUNCIL MEETING

VILLAGE OF JACKSON CENTER

REGULAR SESSION

Held: February 13, 2017

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INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Council of the Village of Jackson Center convened in regular session from 7:01 p.m. to 9:57 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Scott Klopfenstein called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Dr. Ken Gloyeske	Present	Mr. Larry Wahrer	Present
Mrs. Karen Woodruff	Present	Mrs. Leisha Elchert	Present
Mr. Jesse Fark	Present	Mr. James DeVine	Not Present

Employees Present:	Bruce Metz	Village Administrator
	Bev Wren	Fiscal Officer
	Mike Burton	Village Solicitor
	Chuck Wirick	Interim Police Chief

Visitors Present:	Marvin Pace	
	Matt Clayton	Sidney Daily News
	Jerry Davis	Jackson Center Fire Chief

MOTION TO EXCUSE:

Dr. Ken Gloyeske made a motion to excuse Mr. James DeVine from attendance. Mr. Jesse Fark seconded the motion. All "Aye". Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Draft Minutes from Regular Council Meeting held on January 23, 2017

Mrs. Karen Woodruff made a motion to accept the minutes as pre-read from the January 23, 2017 regular council meeting. Mr. Larry Wahrer seconded the motion. All "Aye". Motion carried.

PRE-SCHEDULED ITEMS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2017-004 – A RESOLUTION STRONGLY OPPOSING THE STATE OF OHIO GOVERNOR’S PROPOSED 2017-2018 BUDGET, WHICH PROPOSES CENTRALIZED COLLECTION OF NET PROFIT TAX RETURNS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX WHICH WILL CAUSE A SUBSTANTIAL LOSS OF REVENUE NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OF OHIO MUNICIPALITIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Administrator Metz explained that Governor Kasich would like to centralize income tax collections for municipalities charging 1%. Metz stated he also read that it would be 1% plus an administrative fee. The money would be collected and distributed quarterly. Currently the Regional Income Tax Agency collects the Village’s income tax money and it is distributed twice monthly and in addition they also collect from delinquent tax payers and filers at a charge of 1.68%. Metz explained that 70% of municipalities collect their own income taxes. Metz stated he strongly opposes this proposal.

<i>Motion To Suspend The Three Reading Rule:</i>				Elchert
<i>Second By:</i>				Gloyeske
<i>Votes were:</i>	Wahrer	Aye	Woodruff	Aye
	Elchert	Aye	Fark	Aye
	Gloyeske	Aye		

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<i>Motion To Adopt Resolution 2017-004:</i>				Woodruff
<i>Votes were:</i>	<i>Second By:</i>			Fark
Woodruff	Aye	Elchert		Aye
Fark	Aye	Gloyeske		Aye
Wahrer	Aye			

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: No Report

Utility Committee: No Report

Safety Committee: Mrs. Elchert reported the Safety Committee met prior to tonight's meeting with the Fire Chief and Interim Police Chief and they gave their annual reports. The Fire Department had 59 runs in 2016 with 21 in the Village, 2 in Stokes Township and the remainder in Jackson Township. The Police Department reported there were less criminal arrests in 2016 from 44 in 2015 to 32 arrests in 2016. There were 167 traffic citations down from 196 in 2015. Also the Anna Rescue squad reported they are averaging about 4 to 5 minutes response time.

Wage & Benefits Committee: No Report

Public Property Committee: No Report

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: February, 2017

Electric Department

- ◆ Tree Trimming
- ◆ Finishing up Airstream line
- ◆ Upgraded street lights on Robb, Cole, and Leo Streets to LED lighting
- ◆ Working on new line for NKTELCO and Verizon
- ◆ Snow removal
- ◆ Safety meeting x 2
- ◆ Vehicle and Equipment maintenance

Street Department

- ◆ Vehicle and Equipment and Fire Truck maintenance
- ◆ Started on Project Bambi
- ◆ Snow removal
- ◆ Safety meeting x 2
- ◆ Catch Basin on West Pike

Water / Wastewater Departments

- ◆ Normal operations
- ◆ Fire Truck Maintenance
- ◆ Snow removal
- ◆ Safety meeting x 2
- ◆ Changing out water meters

Administrator

- ◆ Met with Efficiency Smart
- ◆ Attended Village Administrator's meeting

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- ◆ Attended Safety meeting
- ◆ Attended Safety Council
- ◆ Attended LEPC Board meeting
- ◆ Met with Freytag & Associates
- ◆ AMPGS conference call
- ◆ CMI conference call with Bev and Meghan
- ◆ Attended EMA Board meeting
- ◆ Attended SSEP & DDC Luncheon
- ◆ AMP Financial meeting with Bev
- ◆ Met with Access Engineering for WWTP and Main Street, and Park Projects
- ◆ Attended LEPC training Committee meeting
- ◆ Verizon applied for a permit to install a tower
- ◆ Upgraded sodium high pressure lights to LED's on Cole, Leo and Robb St. We try to upgrade a dozen a year.
- ◆ Set new pole on Jerry Drive for a new electric line needed to run a service line for the Verizon Tower and NKTLCO fiber hut.
- ◆ Presented the end of the year review for 2016 and the overall Mega Watt usage was 19.367 which was a 9% increase which reflects Airstreams growth.
- ◆ Hydro plants should all be on this spring. Our current power cost adjustments is done every six months and we have maintained the same rate for the past 13 months. Sawvel & Associates will be here at the next meeting with a distribution study presentation and that will be tied in with the cost of service study and they will come back with a cost of service recommendation.
- ◆ Seven bids were received on the Service Building project. We will short list those to two and take to Freytag for an estimate
- ◆ WWTP project for a 4000 square foot building is out for bids with bid openings on February 17th at 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Detention, Park, and Linden/Davis St. will be bid as one project. The detention pond has to be completed before October for the grant.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: None

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Marvin Pace – He was here to represent the group that is in support of Joe Cotterman. Mr. Pace ask when Mr. Cotterman would be brought back with back pay? Mr. Pace was told this will be discussed tonight in executive session with our Solicitor. Mr. Burton also informed Mr. Pace that the Village does not have a definite plan at this time. Mr. Burton also informed Mr. Pace that there is another charge pending against Mr. Cotterman and he will go to trial sometime in March. Mr. Pace stated that he and four others will continue to support him in any way we can.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion To Enter Into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. for the Purpose of Discussing The Employment Of Personnel and Pending Litigation.

Gloyeske

	Second By:			Wahrer
Votes were:	Elchert	Aye	Fark	Aye
	Gloyeske	Aye	Wahrer	Aye
	Woodruff	Aye		

Mayor Klopfenstein declared Executive Session concluded at 9:56 p.m.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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There being no other business to come before Council. Dr. Ken Gloyeske made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jesse Fark seconded the motion. All "Aye". Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned until February 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers.



Beverly A. Wren, Fiscal Officer



Scott Klopfenstein, Mayor

All formal actions of the Council of Village of Jackson Center concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.