

**Record of Proceedings
Village of Bremen Council Meeting
May 14, 2018**

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Mike Henwood at 7:15 P.M. The council, residents and visitors stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Members present were Scott Snider, Todd Wesaw, Debbie Wolfe, Toni Harper, and Sue Henwood. Sherman Prince was absent, and the Clerk Treasurer Jennifer Storey, Village Administrator Jeff White, and Sheriff's Deputy Michael Busby were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Wolfe asked about corrections to the minutes that she had asked for in the March 12 minutes; she indicated that she would like everything emailed to her before the meeting. Harper moved to pass the minutes for April 9th (composed and corrected by Sue Henwood) Sue Henwood second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, nay; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed.

Guests and Residents:

Dan Rutherford is looking for public records requests; the Mayor said he has them. He has further requests to turn in. He says there is a water leak that has been going on for eight months that needs fixed; the Mayor says they are discussing it. He also wants to put together a commission to ask the public for their opinion regarding a levy. He gave his recommendation regarding street repair financing.

Angie Young

Thanks to everyone regarding pool progress. She wants to know who know who is on Finance Committee, and how does the decision regarding when to close the pool happen? Sue Henwood and Todd Wesaw explained what numbers were discussed during that decision. She asked for the closing day be kept open until later in the summer. The Mayor indicated that at the end of June the decision will be made.

David Webber, Air Evac Team

Mr. Webber distributed information regarding 'membership' coverage for emergency air evacuations.

Sheriff's Report: (Deputy Busby)

Deputy Busby distributed his monthly report to Council; there were 22 calls for service and no major incidents. There was suspected drug activity reported. The Deputy wished to inform the public that it is not safe for people to approach him during a traffic stop, he would be required to call for back up in order to address a person approaching him. If there is an emergency while he is occupied, a person should call 911 or the non-emergency line at the Sheriff's office for other situations. He also wanted to remind everyone that 911 is for life or death situations only. The Major Crimes tip-line number is 740-653-5224. Wolfe reported several thefts on Purvis Ave. The Deputy prefers that reports are made over the phone instead of in an email. There is a derelict truck on Purvis Ave. The Mayor read a letter from the Sheriff's office thanking Ron Stephens and Chance Spencer for giving assistance with directing traffic around an accident; it will go on their employee files.

Mayor's Report:

The Mayor needs a motion to approve the new Tree Board; members will be Scott Snider, Linda Montgomery, Travis Klane, Jason Squires and Jake Van Meter. Motion by Wesaw, second Snider. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed. The Design and Review Board will be meeting at 7pm tomorrow to discuss the Dowling Park demolition. He and Jeff White will be at an Ohio Municipal League meeting on Friday.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report:

The Clerk read her report to Council. Highlights of the report are as follows:

Our current checking balance as of May 14, 2018 is \$728,501.25

- April 30, 2018 was \$587,179.50
- Our fund balance as of May 14, 2018 is \$709,918.01
- We spent 25.14 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2018.
- We received 48.65 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2018.
- The target number for this month is 37%
- The Clerk prepared a letter of thanks to the Fairfield Foundation for their generous donations, which is to be passed around for the Administration to sign.

Administrator's Report:

-The Village Administrator submitted his report to Council. His report included the following items he has worked on since the last council meeting:

- Attended committee meetings and represented the Village at various councils at the state and county levels.
- Attended the public meeting regarding the Columbia Gas project in the Village.
- Jeff and the Mayor have interviewed people to replace the W/WW Technician position and are close to a decision.
- The contractor for the Water Filtration project is Doll Layman at \$142,700.
- Construction of the new water well is complete as well as repairs on well #5.
- CT Consultants is performing a study for the Village regarding storm drainage and an evaluation of the WWTP.
- Pool preparations are underway, and filling started today.
- Bill Montgomery has completed 77% of the income survey.

Approval of Payment of Bills:

The Clerk distributed the Pay Authorization to Council; it was also displayed on power-point so that everyone present could see it. Some expenditures were discussed, including Porta Kleen. The portable toilet has been removed from the park. Loan payments for street equipment are being sent this month. There was an expenditure from Frontier that was misplaced; it was actually the VISA bill. Wolfe asked about repairs for the pool. Sue Henwood moved to pay the bills without reading it aloud; Harper second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed.

Old Business:

-Mary Hoffman reported that a lot of progress is being made at Dowling Park. Mike Qualls donated time and man-power to remove the old poles. Ground penetrating radar was performed to find any utility lines as well as UPS. The memorial was removed and donated to the Bremen Area Historical Society, and the Design and Review Board will meet tomorrow to approve the demolition.

-Todd Wesaw received information from the Board of Elections regarding a liquor license for the Village. He is ready to have registered voters who live in the Village sign petitions; it must be submitted to the Board by August 25.

-Ordinance 3-8-18 tabled. Attorney advises we don't need it. Motion to un-table Ordinance 3-8-18 by Snider, Wolfe second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed. Motion to strike down the Ordinance 3-8-18 by Snider; Wolfe second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed.

New Business:

-Wolfe-all swings in the park will be replaced, and she would like mulch for the park playground.

-Wesaw-would like to vote to add a levy to November's ballot for street repair. Wolfe would like to survey residents to see if they would rather have a pool or a street levy. Wesaw says that knowing the streets are in disrepair and neglecting to fix them creates a liability for the Village. Harper agrees that we need a levy for both. Considerable discussion ensued. The Mayor wants to wait until we have more information before Council takes a vote.

-Harper says that to run the pool, it costs \$800 per day; staying open beyond July 1 is not guaranteed. Scholarships for pool passes are being set up through private donors and other organizations, and private citizens involved with the pool committee will make the decisions as to who will get the scholarships. The Clerk needs a letter signed so that Crystal can open her pool donations mailed in. Harper wants to say thank you to everyone for all their work to get the pool ready for the year.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution 1163

Amend Permanent Budget

Pass As Emergency

Wesaw moved to waive the three-reading requirement and pass the Resolution as an emergency; Snider second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed. Wolfe moved to pass Resolution 1163; Snider second. Snider, yea; Wesaw, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; motion passed.

Resolution 1164

Approve Pool Employees

First Reading

Jeff White read the list of pool employees and their rates of pay for 2018 and the Mayor indicated that the Village Administrator has the authority to make these decisions, therefore the Resolution is not necessary.

Ordinance 5-10-18

Amend Salary Schedule

First Reading

The Water/Wastewater Technician salaries are being amended to reflect the competitive market for these positions as well as to document licensing increases.

Around the Table:

- Harper, Toni: Nothing
- Henwood, Sue: In regards to a levy, we won't be able to meet the deadlines for the November 2018 election.
- Prince, Sherman: Absent
- Snider, Scott: Fire hydrant at Oak/Marietta will be fixed when? There are no concerns regarding fire department access because there are others close by. The Columbia Gas project is a hindrance.
- Wesaw, Todd: Nothing.
- Wolfe, Debbie: Personal issues have prevented her from doing her usual park maintenance; she plans on having probates come in to help. The Deputy recommends the PAW program.
- White, Jeffrey: Nothing
- Mayor Henwood: Nothing
- Storey, Jennifer: Nothing

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Wolfe 9:00 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, June 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road.

Sherman Prince
Council President

Jennifer R. Storey
Clerk/Treasurer