

Record of Proceedings
Village of Bremen Council Meeting
July 11, 2016

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Tad Moyer at 7:00 P.M. The council, residents and visitors stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Members present were Debbie Wolfe, Mike Henwood, Sherman Prince, and Dave Ray; Toni Harper had an excused absence. Police Deputy Busby, Clerk-Treasurer Kelley Tripp and Village Administrator Jeff White were also in attendance.

Motion by Henwood to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2016 regular Council Meeting. Second Prince. Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea; Prince, yea. Motion passed.

Guests and Residents:

Brenda Cunningham – Village Resident

Mrs. Cunningham spoke about the sidewalk at 202 Angle St. She is concerned about standing water and dirt being washed over it; water freezes on the sidewalk in winter creating a fall hazard. She is also concerned about construction damaging her trees and the consequences of the tree dying. She would like to have this issue addressed with the project.

Lee Sparks – Village Resident

Mr. Sparks raised his own concerns regarding standing water on his sidewalks, and the fact that his driveway becomes unusable while street projects are in progress. Over time, his driveway has been eroded by flowing water.

Anthony Taylor – Village Resident

Mr. Taylor brought photos of several areas of concern regarding Angle Street sidewalks, which were submitted to the Council Clerk. Mr. Taylor expressed concern that the construction will be done but issues regarding grading would not be addressed. Suggested that a drain would be helpful, as there is a drain at the Tasty Freeze.

Discussion ensued as to how address these issues. Mike Henwood and Dave Ray will look at the engineering issues; the Mayor suggested an open house meeting with the engineers to discuss this. Construction will not start until next year, and drawings will not be done until September.

Mary Hoffman – Village Resident

Mrs. Hoffman asked about the possibility of posting a Left Turn Only sign to route traffic from the recycling bin and past her house in a safe manner. She explained how 2-way traffic has created hazards for herself and her neighbors when backing out of their driveways.

Deputy Busey remarked that the Township will be putting up a fence that may solve these problems. Discussion then ensued regarding the issues surrounding that fence. The Mayor indicated that the Village will go forward with the sign and will look into the fence and get back with her.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Busey handed out his monthly report to members of Council.

The month of June had 70 calls for service in June, as expected for a summer month.

- No major incidents to report; there are a large number of burglaries, which have been resolved; and some prank calls coming from the pay phone at Frontier on Marietta; this phone is required by law to be 911-capable.
- He is changing his schedule so that there aren't so many complaints while he is not on duty. He is working on being more visible in the Village and trying to curb speeding. He is required to be visible if he is going to ticket for speeding.
- The Deputy advised that we keep our garage doors closed and locked when not in use.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Moyer spoke to members of council regarding the following items:

- Nothing at this time, except to add that the Historical Society is having their Antique Tractor Festival on July 23rd.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: (Kelley Tripp)

The Clerk submitted a report to Council. Highlights of the report are as follows:

- Our current checking balance as of June 30, 2016 is \$496,472.41
 - May 31, 2016 was \$552,760.63
- Our fund balance as of July 11, 2016: (read report to council).
- We have spent 39.49 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2016.
- We have received 54.93 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2016.

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 meetings of the Village's standing committees;
- Produced and issued the newsletter, *The Village Voice*, for the public;
- The pool has been well-attended this year.
- Continued to develop specifications for various projects and gather quotes;
- Received applications for Handicap Parking;
- Personnel issues for the Street Department;
- A street worker sustained an injury to his hand and is working with a restriction;
- Demolition of Superior continues;
- The Eagles building continues to be a problem;
- Received proposal from GGC Engineers regarding a Water/Sewer Rates Analysis.

Approval of Payment of Bills:

Motion by Ray to approve the pay authorization which was read in its entirety. Second Prince. Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea; Prince, yea. Motion passed.

Old Business:

In regards to the GGC proposals: Mike made a motion to table discussion regarding the Right of Way proposal until next month. He felt we should get moving on the Water Well. Henwood made the motion to give the Village Administrator authority to sign a contract with GGC Engineering to begin work on the new water well.

Prince Second. Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea; Prince, yea. Motion passed.

Wolfe asked if we had gotten a new striper for the soccer field, and Henwood responded that he is working on it. Jeff indicated that Anthony Taylor is going to help with this.

Wolfe would like to have posted on the website when trash will be delayed for a holiday, and in the newsletter.

New Business:

We will need a special meeting for passing the budget as we need five members to pass one as emergency. It will be July 14, 2016 at 7:00pm.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Final Reading – Ordinance 5-7-16 Ohio Basic Code

Motion by Henwood to pass Ordinance; Second Wolfe. Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea; Prince, yea. Motion passed.

First Reading - Ordinance 5-8-16 Marietta-Broad Traffic/Parking; Amended

Resolutions 1117 and Resolution 1118

Both of these items are tabled until the Special Meeting on July 14th.

Committee Reports:

Financial Process: Chair Mike Henwood This committee met on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 and minutes were submitted to council members by Council chair Mike Henwood. This committee will meet on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices, which will include the Records Committee.

Safety and Infrastructure Committee: This committee will meet on Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Administrative Process: This committee will meet on Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Recreation and Facilities Committee: This committee will meet on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at 12:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Zoning, Property Maintenance & Planning: This committee will meet on Monday, July 18, 2016 starting at 6:30 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Design Review Board Committee: no meeting

Around the Table:

Haper, Toni:

Henwood, Mike: Has to-do list for Jeff; replacement for Gator should wait until next year due to finances. He would like to see the Utility clerk moved to this building. He and Dave will be looking at the building for records storage. He laid out his priorities for street repairs and parking issues. He asked for a brief meeting between the Zoning Inspector and the solicitor before the Records Commission meeting in order to save money on solicitor fees.

Prince, Sherman: Nothing

Ray, David: Revisions to Handbook will be concluded at Administrative Process meeting August 4. He asked what kind of work needed done to the streetlights downtown.

Tripp, Troy:
Wolfe, Debbie: Asked about the basket in the park. Did the mowers do it? Village Administrator thinks there is too much damage for a mower to have done it. Debbie and Dave have mowed some areas of the park with their own resources. Wants weeds on brick road applied with pesticide.

White, Jeffrey: Presented a quote for GGC Engineers to do a study on water and sewer rates. Mayor would like to have committee review this and make recommendations to Council.

Mayor Moyer: Nothing

Tripp, Kelley: Since Superior has shut down, the Village Water Fund has been in a state of rebuild. Read a letter to Council in regards to her resignation as Clerk-Treasurer; she does not have an effective date. Discussion ensued as to how the transition to the appointment of her replacement would work.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Wolfe at 8:32 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road.


Mike Henwood
Council President


Kelley Tripp
Clerk/Treasurer