

**Record of Proceedings  
Village of Bremen Council Meeting  
August 12, 2019**

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Mike Henwood at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken. Members present were Toni Harper, Sue Henwood, Scott Snider, Todd Wesaw, and Debbie Wolfe. Sherman Prince was an excused absence. Fiscal Officer Crystal Pritchard, Administrator, Corey Spackey and Sheriff's Deputy Kristy Peck attended.

**Guests and Residents:**

Dan Rutherford: Has been working with Worthington to make sure the handicapped swing is up to code. Scott Snider offered to help install the swing when Dan is ready to install it. Dan said that the install would be sometime after the fundraising event on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Has had several kids' books donated. Would like to put a free library for kids to come by and pick up a book. Dan would like to put it in front of the municipal building.

Mrs. Boch and Ms. Schmeltzer: Mrs. Boch is relatively new to the community. She walks daily in the park and has really enjoyed it. Professionally, Mrs. Boch has a nonprofit business where she does a lot of health and wellness promotion in the community. One of the things her nonprofit does is grant writing. She spoke to Debbie about getting permission to write a grant to pave the walk way. She noticed that there are a lot of individuals that walk on the paved path and there are several areas that could be upgraded. She is willing to volunteer her time to look at the feasibility of writing a grant for the park if council will allow her to do so. Council all agreed that they would fully support her efforts.

Anthony Taylor: Would like to make a public records request for the following items:

1. Receipt for back up pool pump
2. Village personnel hourly pay rates for November 2017
3. Village personnel hourly pay rates for April 2018
4. Pay ordinance or meeting minutes that state yearly pay increases
5. Complete results of audit findings

Mike McCoy: Neighbor across the street from him at 417 N. Broad St. continues to blow grass into street on New Street side and North Broad street side of his house. He spoke to the neighbor and told him that it was illegal and dangerous for motorcycle drivers. The neighbor told him he's done it for 20 years and would continue to do it. Mr. McCoy has a video of him doing this if any members of council would like to see it after the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes for council meeting on 07/08/19 were discussed. Todd Wesaw moved to accept the minutes, Wolfe second. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; motion passes.

**Sheriff's Report: (Deputy Peck)**

Deputy distributed her monthly report to Council; there were 43 calls for service in July. Ten reports were taken and several misdemeanor and juvenile charges filed with the courts. There was a one vehicle accident where a car hit a house on the corner of Marietta Street and Mulberry Street. OSP took control of the scene due to the subject allegedly being on

some sort of narcotic. There was an incident involving several juveniles playing a door dash game (ringing doorbells and leaving the area). Juvenile charges were forwarded to the prosecutor for review. There have been several burglaries in the village and surrounding areas. These are often times crimes of opportunity. Residents need to remember to lock their doors and close their garage doors. There were no major incidents to report. Debbie Wolfe asked the deputy for an update on the August 8<sup>th</sup> vandalism incident in the women's bathroom at Howell Park. Deputy Peck is aware of the incident and looking into the matter.

### **Mayor's Report:**

School starts again on Thursday, 8/15. Mayor Henwood asked the deputy to make sure she's in the area Thursday and Friday to ensure that people are driving correctly and being safe in the area. Mayor Henwood also asked that Deputy Peck stop by the garage on the corner of Strayer Ave. and Angle St. to see if he could move his cars back. There isn't a clear line of sight when the cars are sitting that close to the road. Mayor Henwood and Crystal Pritchard worked with RCAP regarding the WPCLF loan for the WWTP upgrades. We have signed the loan documents for the \$175,900 loan.

Mayor Henwood attended the following meetings:

1. Financial Process Meeting
2. Zoning Meeting
3. Parks and Recreation Meeting
4. Attended a meeting with the Legion to discuss Bremen Community Day on September 14<sup>th</sup>.
5. Attended Chamber of Commerce meeting on behalf of the Village.
6. Attended the County Budget Hearing with Crystal for the Village and received our yearly totals for taxes.

The Mayor also read a thank you card from the Qualls family as well as a report from the Support Bremen Pool Committee written by Tina Johns.

### **Fiscal Officer Report:**

From the previous Council meeting, the Fiscal Officer has:

- Prepared and distributed payroll for pay periods ending in 7/19/19 and 8/2/19
- Prepared reports and attended Finance Committee meeting on 7/31/19
- Prepared reports and attended the Budget Hearing on 8/5/19
- Prepared the following for council:
  - Ordinances for passage
  - Copy of minutes from the July 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting
  - Completed clerks report
  - Compiled pay authorization
  - Copy of the July 2019 and current day Bank Statement.

### **BANK STATEMENT & REPORT TOTALS**

- Our current checking balance as of July 31, 2019: \$583,101.79
- Our current balance as of today: \$586,192.23
- Our fund balance as of 7/08/19: \$480,081.39

**Village Administrators Report:**

The administrators report was distributed. Updates were given for the Street Department, Water Department, Wastewater Department and the Swimming Pool.

Corey has hired a seasonal employee for the Street Department. His name is Jaymey Henry and his rate of pay is \$10.00 per hour.

Frank Fondale has passed the state test for his Class I water license.

A new pool vac has been ordered for the pool for next season. It should be delivered sometime next week

Corey would like to acknowledge and say a big thank you to our pool manager, Trent Johns and the great group of lifeguards that we had for the 2019 pool season. They did an exceptional job this season.

A tree dedicated to Lloyd Householder was damaged by a weed eater and as a result has died. It will be replaced as soon as possible. Sue Henwood stated that she would like to buy the tree for Lloyd.

**Approval of Payment of Bills:**

Council reviewed the pay authorization, the Fiscal Officer answered questions. After discussion of the list bills Sue Henwood moved to pay the bills, Debbie Wolfe seconds. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; motion passes.

**Old Business:**

Zoning Officer has resigned.

The Village has received quotes for health insurance for employees  
Grand Re-Opening for the Dowling Park project will be September 14<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

Sue Henwood said that she's been asked by several residents about Strayer Ave. going back to allowing traffic flow in both directions. Council members discussed this issue. Mayor Henwood will reach out to Dawn, the principal at Bremen Elementary, to get her input before a decision is made.

**Ordinances and Resolutions****Resolution 1178****OPWC Capital Improvement Contract****Emergency**

A resolution authorizing the Village of Bremen to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission state capital improvement program and to execute contracts as required. Scott Snider moved to suspend the rules; Debbie Wolfe seconds. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; Motion passes. Sue Henwood moves to waive three readings and pass as an

emergency; Todd Wesaw seconds. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; Resolution 1178 passes as an emergency.

**Resolution 1179 Accepting amounts and rates by budget commission Emergency**

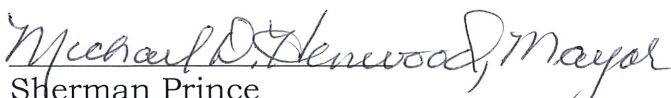
A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Fairfield County Budget Commission and authorizing necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. Toni Harper moved to suspend the rules; Debbie Wolfe seconds. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; Motion passes. Toni Harper moves to waive the three reading requirement and pass as an emergency; Sue Henwood seconds. Toni Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Scott Snider, yea; Todd Wesaw, yea; Debbie Wolfe, yea; Resolution 1179 passes as an emergency.

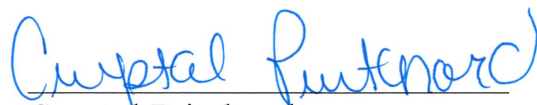
**Around the Table:**

Harper, Toni: Congrats to pool staff on staying on budget. Thanks to the committee for all their efforts and volunteer time.  
Henwood, Sue: Nothing  
Snider, Scott: Nothing  
Wesaw, Todd: Thanks to Corey and water and wastewater depts. for helping out with the parking lot on the corner of Walnut Street and Mulberry Street.  
Wolfe, Debbie Very pleased with the successful season of the pool.  
Mayor Henwood: Nothing  
Pritchard, Crystal: Nothing  
Spackey, Corey: Nothing

Motion by Todd Wesaw to adjourn at 8:26 pm.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road SE.

  
Sherman Prince  
Council President

  
Crystal Pritchard  
Fiscal Officer/Clerk of Council