

**Record of Proceedings
Village of Bremen Council Meeting
September 12, 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 Troy Tripp, Toni Harper, Debbie Wolfe, Dave Ray, Sherman Prince and Mike Henwood. The Village Administrator, Jeff White was also in attendance; Clerk-Treasurer Kelley Tripp was absent.

Motion by Wolfe to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2016 regular Council Meeting as written. Second Tripp.

Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Guests and Residents:

Mary Hoffman (Resident) Gave a brief summary of her investigation into the alley at issue with the Township. She gave Council a copy of her timeline with minutes from various meetings. Discussion then ensued regarding recycling.

Elizabeth Baker (DAR)

Mayor's Report: (Council Pres Mike Henwood)

-Lee Sparks has been appointed to the Zoning Committee.

Sheriff's Report: (Deputy Busby)

Deputy Busby was absent but had previously distributed his monthly report to Council. There was discussion regarding Ordinance against barking dogs in the Village. Mayor and Harper suggested that we amend the Ordinance; the Ohio Basic Code is unenforceable.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: (Jennifer Storey Asst. for Kelley Tripp)

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

- Our current checking balance as of August 31, 2016 is \$495,860.75
 - July 31, 2016 was \$507,302.12
- Our fund balance as of September 11, 2016: (read report to council).
- We have spent 52.75 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2016.
- We have received 67.99 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2016.
- The Magic Number is 67.73%

Discussion ensued whether or not there should be a record of the no-quorum non-meeting. The record was read. Henwood moved to accept the record; Harper second.

Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Dan Rutherford (Resident) There was some confusion as to where he should go to be put on the agenda, therefore the Mayor allowed him to speak for the record regarding the pond in Howell Park. He gave an overview of his work and commented on the safety issues surrounding the pond. It was decided to have an electrician give us an estimate to get the pond appropriately wired.

Tracy Shahan (Resident) Read a letter and gave a donation to the park for the fence totaling \$150. She praised how beautiful the park looks.

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 Villages standing committees and represented the Village at the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission;
- Produced and issued the newsletter, *The Village Voice*, for the public;
- Updated the status of the Water Well project; would like to decide on a contractor at the September meeting;
- The Village will participate in Community Care Day in September;
- Put out bids for paving;
- The contract between Bremen and Rushville for Utility Billing expires this year and

Mike and Jeff are scheduled to attend Rushville's Council meeting on 9-14-16. The Mayor questioned the need for the Village to even have this Well installed, as our system is good enough to handle the chemicals if the plume does make it down here. Henwood and Ray think that we should have this well to have a back-up, and to compensate for any future growth of the Village. Any firm decision on the water well will be made next month when we receive the estimate.

There was discussion about reports of brown/orange water in various places in the Village; there was also extensive discussion regarding raising water rates. Mike Henwood handed out a breakdown of potential rate changes for perusal.

Approval of Payment of Bills:

The Pay Authorization was read in its entirety; with some explanations interjected where appropriate.

Motion by Tripp to pay the bills; Henwood Second.

Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Financial Process: This committee met on Wednesday, August 31, 2016 and minutes were submitted to council members by Council chair Mike Henwood. This committee will meet on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Safety and Infrastructure Committee: This committee will meet on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Administrative Process: This committee will meet on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Recreation and Facilities Committee: This committee will meet on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 12:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Zoning, Property Maintenance & Planning: This committee met on Monday, August 15, 2016 and the minutes were submitted to council members. This committee will meet on Monday, September 19, 2016 starting at 6:30 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Design Review Board Committee: No meeting.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Jeff White recommends that the Village change Beggar's Night to coincide with the other communities' night of October 31. Harper moves that the Village change Beggar's night as recommended; Prince seconds. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

There will be a "Quilt Barn Trail" whereby quilt squares will be painted on barns throughout the county, and also included will be historical parks. Debbie wanted the shelter house to have one painted on each 'A'. Motion to approve the project by Henwood, Second Tripp. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed. Debbie informed Council that Earl Lehman is taking up donations to put a flag on the oil derrick in Howell park; Tripp indicated it should be discussed in the Parks meeting.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 09-11-16 Employee Certification Policy Second Reading

Resolution 1121 (Emergency) Ohio EPA Agreement

Motion to waive three-read requirement and pass as an emergency, Henwood; Second Tripp. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Motion to pass the Resolution, Tripp; Second Wolfe. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Resolution 1122 (Emergency) Add Jennifer Storey as Signatory at VCNB

Motion to waive the three-read requirement and pass as an emergency, Wolfe; Second, Harper. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Motion to pass Resolution 1122, Henwood; Second, Tripp. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Resolution 1123 (Emergency) Accepting the Tax Rates

Motion to waive the three-reading requirement and pass as an emergency, Harper; Second Wolfe. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Motion to pass Resolution 1123, Henwood; Second Prince. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Resolution 1124 (Emergency) Resolution for Tad Moyer

Motion to waive the three-read requirement and pass as an emergency, Henwood; Second Harper. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Motion to pass Resolution 1124, Henwood; Second Harper. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Mayor Tad Moyer read for Council his letter of resignation. He expressed his appreciation for his mentors over the years.

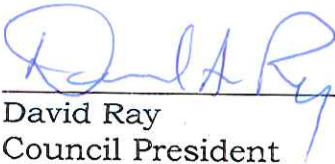
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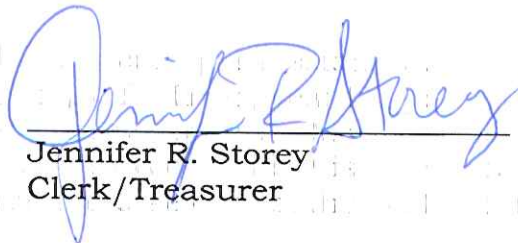
- Harper, Toni: Brown water.
- Henwood, Mike: Reported Kelley's resignation; asked if Council wanted to change the position of the Clerk-Treasurer to an appointed Fiscal Officer. Being no motion before Council to make such a change, the Mayor asked for a motion to appoint Jennifer Storey to finish Kelley Tripp's term ending in 2020. Motion Tripp, Second Wolfe. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.
- Prince, Sherman: Nothing
- Ray, David: Nothing
- Tripp, Troy: Pumpkin Walk is October 8, needs permission to use Howell Park. Motion, Henwood; Second Wolfe. Tripp, yea; Harper, yea; Wolfe, yea; Ray, yea; Prince, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed
- Wolfe, Debbie: Wanted to know if baseball is over, and if it is, they need to clean out the concession stand and take care of the Porta Potty.
- White, Jeffrey: Nothing
- Mayor Moyer: Nothing
- Tripp, Kelley: Nothing

Mike Henwood read the Constitution Week Proclamation

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Henwood at 8:28 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road; Oaths of Office for Jennifer Storey (Clerk-Treasurer) and Michael Henwood (Council President ascends to Mayor) immediately follow this meeting.


David Ray
Council President


Jennifer R. Storey
Clerk/Treasurer