

**Record of Proceedings
Village of Bremen Council Meeting
November 14, 2016**

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Mike Henwood at 7:00 P.M. The council, residents and visitors stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Members present were Toni Harper, Sherman Prince, Dave Ray, and Debbie Wolfe. The Clerk Treasurer Jennifer Storey, Village Administrator Jeff White Sheriff's Deputy Michael Busby were also in attendance; Council member Troy Tripp was absent.

Motion by Prince to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2016 regular Council Meeting. Second Wolfe.

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

Guests and Residents:

Dr. Wilson (Business Owner) Expressed concern in regards to the changes in the traffic pattern at the intersection of Marietta and Broad which eliminates parking for his business and apartment residents. He presented his argument for bringing those spots back and made suggestions as to how this could be done. Deputy Busby indicated that his observation of the intersection is that those spaces hinder traffic, and that they violate the ORC in their proximity to the stop signs. Mayor Henwood offered Dr. Wilson and Ms. Davis the opportunity to speak to the Safety and Infrastructure committee when they next meet.

Chandra Davis (Business Owner) Ms. Davis also expressed her frustration with the parking on Marietta as she has bought and has been renovating the Tripp building.

Resident (419 N Broad) The gentleman had an issue with his water bill and complained of discolored water. The Mayor indicated that this will be brought to the Billing Clerk's attention this week.

The Mayor reminded everyone that there will be Village-wide hydrant flushing on December 8, 2016.

Ray moved to go into executive session to discuss the candidates for the open Council seat. Second Wolfe. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea. Motion passed at 7:30pm.

Harper moved to come out of executive session; Prince second. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea. Motion passed at 7:37pm.

Harper moved to offer the position to Sue Henwood; Wolfe seconds. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea. Motion passed.

Ms. Henwood was then sworn in to office by Council President Dave Ray.

Sheriff's Report: (Deputy Busby)

Deputy Busby distributed his monthly report to Council. There were 30 calls for service; and no major incidents to report. Halloween went smoothly with no reported incidents. He was approached by several children who thought he would be handing out candy, but he explained that this is not permitted by the Sheriff's Office.

Mayor's Report:

The Mayor, Mrs. Harper, and Mr. Ray attended the 5th grade Social Studies class of Mrs. Fisher at Rushville Middle School and answered questions.

On November 9th the Administrator, Dave Ray, utilities employees and the Mayor received a presentation from Badger Water Meters.

The Mayor delivered the State of the Village presentation at the Chamber of Commerce dinner.

The Mayor has conducted Monday Morning meetings with Village Employees, instructed Jeff White to attend a DAS meeting for cooperative purchasing and had phone discussions with residents regarding water issues.

Thanks to Gene's Signs and Mike Qualls for their assistance with the Veteran's Day flags.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report:

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

- Our current checking balance as of October 31, 2016 is \$497,498.40
 - September 30, 2016 was \$500,422.57
- Our fund balance as of November 14, 2016 is \$498,650.79
- We have spent 63.82 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2016.
- We have received 86.92 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2016.
- The Magic Number is 87.22%
- There was discussion in regard to overages and extraneous spending as well as the copier lease agreement. Crystal will be moving up to 9090 Marietta after the first of the year.
- There will be serious budget discussion at the next Financial Process meeting, including projects and raises.
- The Clerk asked for a motion to pay the bill of Griffin Pavement Striping when it has been successfully verified by Jeff White; it is significantly more than the quote. Motion by Ray; Second Prince. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea. Motion passed.

The Mayor asked Council for instruction regarding the letter from Township. Mr. Ray indicated we should demand that the alley should be re-opened. Mrs. Henwood indicated that they submitted a fence permit which would close off that alley, it was denied.

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 for the Village, the County, the State and other Municipalities.
- The Administrator heard a presentation on Broadband access which he would like the Village to listen to and consider. We will move the Finance Meeting to Tuesday in order to accommodate their schedule.
- Attended a Worthington Industries meeting; they would like a pedestrian crosswalk installed.
- Met with Junction City and Rushville regarding a joint Trash Removal Contract.
- Met with Badger Water Meters.
- Contractors have completed paving and pavement striping; sidewalks are in progress.

- Brick pavers are being replaced after Storm-Sewer work.
- Demolition of Superior Fibers is progressing.

Approval of Payment of Bills:

The Clerk distributed the Pay Authorization to Council. There was discussion of various issues especially Street vehicle repair. Mr. Ray moved to waive the reading of the Pay Authorization. Second Harper. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

Old Business:

-There was a meeting with ADR to discuss the position of storm drains; there is a meeting - on Friday with the school officials for the SRTS project.

-Mr. Mowry approached Mr. Ray about making Strayer a two-way again; many residents are using it that way anyhow. Mr Ray's response was that it will be restored as soon as work is completed.

New Business:

-Debbie wants there to be a PortaPotty in the park during the off-season while the regular bathrooms are closed. Ray motion to install the PortaPotty; Harper second. Harper, yea; Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Henwood, yea. Motion passed.

-There was considerable discussion regarding a non-resident member of the Tree Board and what her access and role should be. The Tree Ordinance indicates that all members should be residents and perhaps the Tree ordinance should be amended.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 10-12-16 2017 Water Rates; Second Reading

Resolution 1126 New Service Contract with Rushville Second Reading

Resolution 1128 Pursuing Line of Credit Second Reading

Resolution 1129 Create Appropriation for Park Donations Final Reading

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

Around the Table:

- Harper, Toni: Nothing
- Henwood, Sue: Thank you for the appointment to Council.
- Prince, Sherman: Nothing
- Ray, David: Copies of the new handbook are now distributed for perusal and comment, in anticipation of passage.
- Tripp, Troy: Absent
- Wolfe, Debbie: Debbie would like to have the wagon emptied out for park use.
- White, Jeffrey: Nothing
- Mayor Henwood: Chance has tested for his certification; there will be more discussion in regards to new hires in the Water/Sewer departments in committee meetings.

Storey, Jennifer: Ed Hammond's 20th Anniversary is this week, so stop if you see him and express thanks for his service.

Committee Reports:

Financial Process: This committee met on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 and minutes were submitted to council members by Council chair. This committee will meet on Wednesday, November 29, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Safety and Infrastructure Committee: This committee will meet on Tuesday, November 16, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Administrative Process: This committee will not meet again until after the New Year.

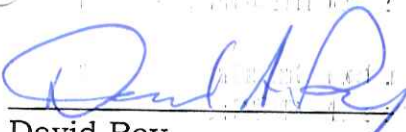
Recreation and Facilities Committee: This committee will meet again on Tuesday, November 6 at 2pm.


Zoning, Property Maintenance & Planning: This committee will meet on Monday, November 21, 2016 starting at 6:30 P.M. at the Village Offices.

Design Review Board Committee: No meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Ray at 9:40 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road.


David Ray
Council President


Jennifer R. Storey
Clerk/Treasurer