

June 1, 2015

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Monday, June 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council President Jim Woofter presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Dennis Linville, Kevin Piros, Scott Rowley and Terry Tackett; absent was Deidre Petrosky. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Moll, Law Director Wilson, Police Chief Andrews, and Clerk of Council Horn; absent were Finance Director Moyer and Fire Chief Rea and Service Director Wittman.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the May 18, 2015 Council Meeting was made by Councilman Tackett and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$98,832.80 was made by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Piros. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE O-14-15 – An Ordinance authorizing the Service Director to rent equipment and purchase materials to seal pavement cracks and joints with a hot applied crack sealant material was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Linville and seconded by Councilman Tackett. **ROLL CALL O-14-15** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

ORDINANCE O-15-15 – An Ordinance authorizing the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with Grunder Contracting and Tile to remodel restroom facilities at the Cortland City Fire Station was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Rowley. **ROLL CALL O-15-15** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION R-26-15 – A Resolution authorizing the Clerk of Council of the City of Cortland to advertise the bids for the North High Street Pedestrian Enhancement Project was read and moved by Councilman Linville and seconded by Councilman Rowley.

ROLL CALL R-26-15 - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – Since Don is not here to speak, I would just like to say that we talked at our staff meeting and he should be able to get whoever is hired to take care of this in the fall.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT:

Donald Fatobene

Planning & Zoning Commission

Term expiring 12-31-17

MAYOR MOLL – I included Don’s resume in your packet. Jim Chubb resigned from Planning and Zoning. He served for about a term total. He kindly stepped in as a knowledgeable city person to fill that position. He has decided it was time for him to move onto to better pastures or something else. At any rate, he resigned. Because I had just done a search in January for someone to fill the open position, I had a list. Don was really high on my list last time around so I called him to see if he was still interested and he was. So, I picked him. I would like to thank Jim Chubb for his contributions over the last few years to the Planning and Zoning Commission. I look forward to working with Don if you folks would be kind enough to approve him.

A motion to approve the Mayor’s Appointment was made by Councilman Tackett and seconded by Councilman Piros. ROLL CALL - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. MOTION PASSED

MAYOR’S REPORT:

MAYOR MOLL – Don hired or is in the process of hiring a new laborer for the Service Dept. I don’t think we’ve had a discussion about that and what we plan to do. There will be another retirement coming up in about 40 days which will require us to fill a second position. Rather than wait, since we are in the process of going through resumes and doing interview, we felt it was best to get these people on now and do some training. We have a head count in the ordinance for another one beyond what we have now so there is no violation of the ordinance in doing this. We can get somebody in here and begin the training before Randy retires. I think it’s real important we do that because he is our primary guy on the lift stations and wells. We really need some good people in the Service Dept. to continue on what he has been doing over the last many years. So, I wanted to let you know that we are probably going to do that. We have a number of good candidates through this search process and to repeat the process again in 40 days doesn’t make any sense at all. That’s all I have unless you have any questions.

FINANCE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:
(FINANCE DIRECTOR ABSENT)

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT:

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – We received a grant award from Ohio Dept. of Public Safety for some equipment. This is mostly because we participated the last couple years in the Click It Or Ticket campaign and the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over. They have a new regional manager that is working with us. He sent me an email last month. We are picking out a laser unit which is like a radar unit only more high-end and durable. What we had was starting to go. So, we got a \$2,500 to \$3,000 piece of equipment for free.

Cortland Street Fair is a full go. It will be here quickly. It runs June 18th thru the 20th. There are letters going out to businesses that are affected along the route, both the parade route and the fair. It’s reminding them that it’s coming up and to please take care of your business; we don’t want anyone to be left out. We are working with the Lions Club to get the paperwork done and the parade set up. Also, we are working on some different concepts to get officers hours, doing some different things and still getting staffing squared away. All of that is being taken care of. The midnight officers will start to leave letters on cars around Main St. reminding them that on Thurs., Fri. and Sat. they should park somewhere else during this time. It’s a lot easier than us trying to find them to get their car moved. This seems to work out good. Other than that, everything is running very smoothly and I’ll answer any questions you may have of me.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Chief, I know the police dept. just helped sponsor the Spay and Neuter Clinic. I heard it was quite successful. Would you like to speak on that?

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – The Spay and Neuter Clinic went well. We were the fallback position for the clinic, apparently the original location they picked out backed out at the last minute. That’s how we got them. We will be doing another one, and more than likely, our F.O.P. lodge will be sponsoring one of these. There is some marketing, that’s how they can get lower income people in and keep the prices down. They had about 13 dogs go through it; they can take a max of 16, I believe. They were very happy with that. It ran smoothly. People drop their dogs off here and the big RV type van rolled in from Cleveland. They do everything right there and then people come back around 2:00 p.m. to pick up their dogs and go home. It was very positive. No problems at all. We will probably run that again late summer or early fall.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Was it the last council meeting that you talked about the F.O.P.?

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – Yes.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Okay, so we won’t do that again.

COUNCILMAN PIROS - When is the Soap Box Derby, Chief?

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – The Soap Box Derby is Jun 13th and 14th, the weekend between Relay For Life and the Cortland Street Fair.

MAYOR MOLL - It’s a big month.

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT:
(FIRE CHIEF REA ABSENT)

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – I mentioned to the Mayor when I came in that we are experiencing some challenges with the tornado siren up behind the building here. They’ve gone through the process, ordered some parts for it and thought they had what they needed. The gentleman called me the other day and told me they threw all those parts out and it still doesn’t work. I guess they are in the process right now of ordering a new board or it. Beyond that, I don’t have any more information as to when it will be functional.

MAYOR MOLL - It took us a couple weeks to get parts in before.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – Yes, it’s been very challenging.

COUNCILMAN TACKETT - I heard them testing Saturday.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – That’s the old siren being repaired because it was broke.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – That was the fire siren at the fire station. It wasn’t the tornado siren. It quit working a few weeks back and we had our resident electrician from Main Lite up there working on lights around the building because we only had three functioning lights on the entire outside of the building. He addressed the

problem because we had a short on the outside of the building. We have an actual phone that would dial right to the 911 center. If someone were to come to the fire house and we weren't there for some reason they could pick up the phone and talk right to the 911 center. There's a light that hangs over top of it and when you screw the light bulb in, it blew up. So, he came down to address that and in the process of doing that, he got the siren working again. That siren is very, very old and when it finally commits to not working again; I don't know whether it's going to be cost effective to replace it.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Any clue of the date on that siren?

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – I'd have to go back and do some research on that.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - I was just curious.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – They had it rebuilt one time years ago. They took it down to Republic Steel, I believe, at the time and had it all rebuilt at the electrical shop. If I could pick Dick Stahl's brain or somebody like that, he might be able to give me a date. Outside of that I have nothing else. If anyone has any questions I'd be happy to answer them.

MAYOR MOLL - You guys doing all right with the construction?

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – We've had our challenges, but yes. We've had to play musical trucks.

MAYOR MOLL - We haven't had anything that's life threatening?

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – No, we got everything out okay. I few detours here and there but it all worked out all right.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - They are wrapping everything up.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – Yes, they blacked topped all the holes today so we should be... (Inaudible)...for a couple days. ... (Inaudible)...We're good.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
(SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN ABSENT)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Since Don is not here this evening, there is no Service Director's Report, would you like to report anything, Mayor?

MAYOR MOLL –We have a lot of projects going on in town that seem to be progressing normally. Hopefully they'll get some blacktop on the intersection here in the next couple weeks. We are hoping before street fair. They were putting in dirt today in the areas between the sidewalks and the street. So, they are starting to polish that up.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - I spoke with the foreman for the electricians and he states that everything should be buttoned up. If they didn't finish it today, they should have it finished tomorrow. Then they call Ohio Edison and we will be at Ohio Edison's mercy to come out and plug in the lights.

NO COMMITTEE REPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – No one is here to question Council so I have an announcement. The Cortland Relay For Life is this week, June 5th and 6th at the Lakeview High School.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – We received a request to be there for the opening ceremonies.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – The fire dept.?

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – Yes.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Good.

CAPTAIN MCMILLION – I guess they had some concerns about some of the folks maybe getting winded when they are doing the special laps.

MAYOR MOLL –It's a good idea.

COUNCILMAN PIROS – The Splash Pad will have a presence at the Cortland Street Fair. We are doing raffles, so we are assembling a lot of gifts and prizes. Also, there will be a Splash Pad car wash fund raising event on June 27th behind O'Reilly's from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - What's that date again?

COUNCILMAN PIROS – June 27th, the weekend after street fair.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Tackett and seconded by Councilman Piros.

ROLL CALL - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, absent; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

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