VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 3RD, 2017

Mayor Ryan Shoffstall called the meeting to order and led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was read and all members were present.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as written. A motion was made by Eric Barhorst to pay the bills and seconded by Frank Dietz. All voted yes and the motion passed.

A motion to transfer $2,483.04 to the Elevated Tank Fund and $3,590.55 to the Water Treatment Plant Fund from the CIWA Fund for December balancing was made by Frank Dietz. A second to the motion was made by Dennis Harford. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

The Mayor then opened the floor to nominations for Council President. Frank Dietz nominated Jacqueline Shoffner and Jacqueline Shoffner nominated Frank Dietz. Dennis Harford moved the nominations be closed. Paper ballots were then passed out to all council members and votes were gathered. The Mayor then announced that Frank Dietz would be the President of Council for 2017 by a 4 to 2 vote.

Fire Chief Norm Spring was not present due to a conflict with another meeting.

Village Administrator Pat Parish advised Council that a representative from Efficiency Smart will be at our February meeting due to a conflict with our January meetings. Pat reported that we have made the final draw for the fire department and the floor had been repaired. He also reported he has the signs up on US Route 33 and the flag pole for the new fire department has been delivered.

Connor Kinsey was not present but the Fiscal Officer announced that the letter had been sent to Lou Ross and the Solicitor had not received any response.

The EMS Board representative was discussed. Dennis Harford announced that the two townships will have two new members on it. The Mayor then opened the floor to nominations for the representative to the EMS Board. John Hayman nominated Dennis Harford. The nominations were then closed. All members voted yes and Dennis Harford will be the Council representative to the EMS Board for 2017. The EMS Board will continue to meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Russell’s Point Village Council chambers.

There were no committee reports.

The Mayor then had the reading of Ordinance 2017-01 which was amending the current wage ordinance. Discussion was held and a motion to suspend the rules was made by Eric Barhorst and seconded by Dennis Harford. All members voted yes and the motion passed. A motion was then made by Eric Barhorst and seconded by Dennis Harford to adopt Ordinance 2017-01 and declaring an emergency. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer asked for a motion from Council to approve the carryover of sick leave time for Village worker David Scott. Discussion was held. Council inquired how much the carryover was and the Fiscal Officer reported it was 804.66 hours as of pay period ending 12/24/16. A motion was made by Frank Dietz to approve the carry over and a second to the motion was made by Dennis Harford. All members voted yes and the motion passed. The Fiscal Officer then informed Council on the renewal rates for our Medical Mutual Insurance renewal which is a 7% increase. Discussion was held and it was decided that is a good rate and we would keep coverage the way it is currently. A motion was made by Eric Barhorst and seconded by John Hayman to keep coverage as is on the renewal of Medical Mutual policy. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer then asked for a motion from Council to approve all December utility adjustments. Frank Dietz made a motion to approve same and Eric Barhorst seconded the motion. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

Frank Dietz then brought up the letter that was sent to Lou Ross and inquired whether the Village had advertised for a new Park Manager yet. The answer was no as the letter is giving Mr. Ross a thirty day window to respond.

John Hayman was then excused from the meeting for a prior appointment he had.

The Mayor then discussed giving the Solicitor a raise when his contract is up for renewal in April. Discussion was held. It was decided to raise his contract to $5,625 annually from his current salary of $3,600 annually. Terry Brentlinger made a motion to raise the Solicitor’s annual salary to $5,625.00. Jacqueline Shoffner seconded the motion. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

The final item on the agenda was employee Mark Fleming who was present to speak. Mark Fleming, Electric Department lineman, had submitted his written retirement letter to the Village effective on January 6, 2017, but inquired whether he would be able to get his unused accrued vacation of five weeks. Discussion was had and the handbook was read. After the discussion, Mr. Fleming decided to withdraw his retirement notice and to remain employed with the Village for the time being. Mr. Fleming was then excused from the meeting. Since Council had not acted on a raise for Mr. Fleming due to his retirement, a raise was discussed. Frank Dietz made a motion to increase his hourly rate by $1.00 bringing him to $22.43 an hour. Dennis Harford seconded the motion. All members voted yes and the motion passed.

A motion was made to adjourn by Frank Dietz and seconded by Eric Barhorst. All voted yes and the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be January 17th, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers due to the holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor Ryan Shoffstall