

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO

April 14, 2014

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:14 a.m. on Monday, April 14, 2014, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Ryan Cox	Karl Scheucher
Robert Gale	Richard Steudel
Marcia Merritt	Courtenay Taplin

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Janet Mulh, Law Director Stephen Byron, Police Chief Keith DeWitt and Mike McClain from the Service Department.

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held March 10, 2014, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Steudel moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None
	Abstain:	Gale

Motion carried
Minutes approved

The minutes of a Special Meeting of Council held April 7, 2014, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Steudel moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Scheucher.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel
	Nays:	None
	Abstain:	Gale, Taplin

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Resolution No. 2014-7 - “A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums” was read. After discussion, Mr. Gale moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Ms. Merritt.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2014-7 adopted

Ordinance No. 2014-4 – “An Ordinance establishing compensation for members of the Police Department of the Village of Waite Hill, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency”

was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Taplin moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Rule suspended

Thereupon Mr. Scheucher moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-4, which motion was seconded by Mr. Gale.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2014-4 adopted

Mr. Cox excused himself from the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Ordinance No. 2014-5 – “An Ordinance establishing compensation for members of the Department of Public Service of the Village of Waite Hill, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Ms. Merritt moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Rule suspended

Thereupon Ms. Merritt moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-5, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2014-5 adopted

Mr. Cox returned to the meeting at 8:24 a.m.

Resolution No. 2014-8 - “A Resolution urging Ohio voters to support State Issue 1, renewal of the State Capital Improvements Program, on the May 6, 2014 ballot” was read. After discussion, Mr. Gale moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2014-8 adopted

On behalf of the Communication and Community Outreach Committee, Ms. Merritt reported that the Village Voice will be published soon, and the Mayor indicated that he would have content for it ASAP. The Village will be holding its Memorial Day Ceremony in the cemetery this year on May 26 at 9 a.m., and there was discussion regarding the veterans that are buried in the cemetery. Mr. Scheucher reported that unique visitors to the Village's website continue to increase and we are not certain why.

Mr. Scheucher stated that the Finance Committee had met and discussed the fact that property taxes had been received late. There was also a bond purchased ratified which had a dismal rate of return. The Finance Committee is also thankful to the Clerk-Treasurer for her restated accounting reports.

Mr. Taplin, on behalf of the Safety Committee deferred to Chief DeWitt for a report. The Chief reported on a St. Patrick's Day OVI car crash on Eagle Road which had crashed in Willoughby Hills and left the scene. There was also a one-car vehicle crash, not OVI related, that had damaged the serpentine wall on Waite Hill Road. There was also discussion regarding a mutual aid response to Eisenhower Drive in Kirtland, heroin use in Lake County and alarm drops. The Chief had the alarm drop issue under review; some expected moves into and out of the Village are expected to resolve the issue.

Mr. Gale, on behalf of the Service Committee, along with the Mayor and all of Council thanked the Service Department for their good service this past winter. Seven hundred tons of salt were used this winter. There was discussion of the transfer of the Waite Hill Land Conservancy to the Western Reserve Land Conservancy and its impact on the Village's lease obligations, including whether the Village needs to continue to maintain the property. The grass in front of the Village Hall was also discussed, along with a property that had PODS located on it. There was also discussion regarding properties that straddle the school district boundaries of the Kirtland School District and the Willoughby Eastlake School District. Mr. McClain reported that the Village will be taking possession of its new truck in July.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Taplin moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2014

ATTEST: _____
Janet Mulh, Clerk-Treasurer