

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

April 9, 2018

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:02 a.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding via telephone. The following members of Council were present:

Ryan Cox	Karl Scheucher
Sam Knezevic	Richard Steudel
Bob Gale	Courtenay Taplin
Marcia Merritt	

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, Service Director Bob Haynik, Law Director Stephen L. Byron, resident Christine Sherwin, and Bill Wade, Superintendent of Kirtland Schools.

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held March 12, 2018, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Steudel moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

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

Motion carried
Minutes approved

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held February 12, 2018, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Scheucher moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

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

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Resolution No. 2018-6 - "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, Knezevic, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2018-6 adopted

After discussion, Mr. Gale moved to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Jim Gibbs to the Waite Hill Board of Zoning Appeals. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried
Appointment confirmed

Ms. Merritt, on behalf of the Communications and Community Outreach Committee, asked when the next newsletter is expected, given that the prior newsletter went out in January. It was agreed that sending the newsletter out on or about April 30th would work well, so the deadline for articles was set for April 23rd. The summer event that is being considered would be held the second or third weekend of August, and is likely to be a cruise-in for classic cars owned by Village residents.

Mr. Scheucher reported, on behalf of the Finance Committee, that the Committee had met and reviewed the Treasurer's report, noting the receipt of the 1st half tax payment, and reviewed the Village's balances. There had been a discussion regarding the expenses of paving and the replacement of a small truck. There is also going to be a contribution of about twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) from the Waite Hill Foundation.

Mr. Knezevic advised Council that the Planning & Zoning Commission had met on March 22, 2018 and had approved an imitation wrought iron pool fence for a Mountainview residence. The Commission had also denied a fence for a dog run for a Hobart Road property because the fence was proposed to be eight feet (8') tall, and the code only permitted fences to be six feet (6') tall.

Mr. Taplin reported that mutual aid appeared to be up, and Chief DeWitt confirmed that the Village has both received and provided a substantial amount of mutual aid from neighboring departments. He indicated that the calls were appropriate, and it did not appear that the other communities were short-staffing their police departments. The Chief reported that Lieutenant Beaumier is at the FBI National Academy and doing very well. He also reported that the City of Kirtland is interested in soliciting the Village's dispatch and fire service needs, which have been provided by Willoughby Hills for many years. There's also renewed interest in further regionalization, which could involve a partnership with the Lake County Sheriff's office.

Mr. Gale and Mr. Haynik commented regarding the Service Committee. It was noted that March was kind to the Village and not much salt was used. The Village has 150 tons of salt remaining. Mr. Haynik noted that Burton Scot was 75% complete with the Otis Hill project and needed to pave the road. This will be done when the asphalt plants open. The drainage at the bottom of the hill appears to be flowing well. The striping of the Village's roads will be coordinated with the completion of the 2018 road program. The cold crack sealing program did not bring results that are equal to hot crack sealing, so the Village will be using a machine this summer to do hot crack sealing. Mr. Haynik also reported that there had been an emergency tree removal from Metcalf Road.

Mr. Bill Wade was invited to present information regarding the Kirtland Schools proposed new 5.9 Mill Levy, which is on the May 8, 2018, ballot. Mr. Wade presented the information and excused himself from the meeting.

Mr. Steudel reported that the Charter Review Commission had been meeting, and will continue to meet, over the next few months to review the Charter. The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2018, at 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Gale then moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss with the Village's law director pending or imminent litigation, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

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

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned to executive session
at 8:39 a.m.

Mayor Ranallo reconvened the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Ms. Merritt excused herself from the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

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, Knezevic, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
 Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2018

ATTEST: _____
Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer