

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

March 11, 2019

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:06 a.m. on Monday, March 11, 2019, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

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

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, Service Director Bob Haynik and Law Director Stephen L. Byron. Tim Lannon, Justin Silvaroli and Pete Formica, all from CT Consultants, also attended the meeting.

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held February 11, 2019, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Knezevic then moved to approve the minutes as corrected, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried  
Minutes approved

**Resolution No. 2019-3** - "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 Mr. Knezevic.

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

Motion carried  
Resolution No. 2019-3 adopted

A presentation was made by Tim Lannon, Justin Silvaroli and Pete Formoca representatives of CT Consultants regarding the Village's Road Program. Chip seal, fog seal and crack seal were discussed. The current value of the total project cost is \$2.85 million. If all of the streets were resurfaced today the project would cost \$4.4 million. Pete will send information regarding roads in the region that have been fog-sealed recently.

On behalf of the Communications and Community Outreach Committee, Ms. Merritt stated that she had no report this month. The next newsletter will be out at the end of April. The Chief was commended for his work in keeping the Village's website up-to-date.

Mr. Scheucher reported that the Finance Committee had executed its standard agenda and ratified the purchase of a security. The Village continues to sustain an operating loss of about \$250,000 per year, which is predominantly a result of the road maintenance program. Property tax

advances this year have been lower than usual. The Committee also continued its discussion regarding revenue generation.

On behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Mr. Knezevic reported on the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. A residence on Hobart Road is being remodeled. The owner proposed a new slate roof, cupola and dormers. The Architectural Board approved the roof and dormers, but not the cupola. Work started before approval by the Village, but the issue is now resolved. A Waite Hill Road residence is being remodeled. The design will restore the residence to its original Greek Revival design. Most of the work will be in the back of house and will greatly improve the look of the residence. A chicken coop that had been approved and constructed behind a residence on the east side of Smith Road is being removed.

On behalf of the Safety Committee, Mr. Taplin reported that he was happy with the Willoughby Hills Fire Department’s response to his residence for a recent event. Chief DeWitt reported that Lakeland Community College recently experienced a “SWAT-ing” event. This occurs when someone prank calls an active shooter or other serious event requiring a response from the Special Weapons and Tactics team and mutual aid. The Village’s officers did not need to respond. This event highlights that the local departments need to work on resource management. There were eight (8) applicants for Willoughby Hills police test and forty (40) for Mentor. One of the Village’s part-time officers is still out because of injury. A NOPEC grant has been obtained to fund the flashing lights for the stop signs on Hobart Road and Metcalf at their intersections with Eagle Road. A new cruiser for the Police Department should be delivered in the next month.

Mr. Gale deferred to Mr. Haynik for the Service Department report. The balance of road salt that the Village was obligated to take under the ODOT contract has been delivered and the bins are full. The roads took a beating. It was noted that the refurbished Village entrance signs look very nice.

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

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

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer