

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

May 14, 2018

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:08 a.m. on Monday, May 14, 2018, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

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

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, Service Director Bob Haynik and Law Director Stephen L. Byron.

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held April 9, 2018, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Gale moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried  
Minutes approved

**Resolution No. 2018-7** - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Scheucher 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. 2018-7 adopted

**Resolution No. 2018-8** - "A Resolution approving the Lake County Solid Waste Management Plan Update (March 2018) of the Lake County Solid Waste Management District, and declaring an emergency" was read. There was some discussion about the state's requirement for the solid waste management districts throughout the state to adopt management plans, and Lake County constitutes the entire district. After discussion, Mr. Cox moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried  
Resolution No. 2018-8 adopted

**Ordinance No. 2018-6** – “An Ordinance authorizing the Village to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation Winter Contract (018-19) for road salt and take any other action necessary to participate in the bulk purchasing of road salt for the 2018-2019 winter season, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Gale moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

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

Motion carried  
 Rule suspended

Thereupon, Mr. Cox moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-6, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried  
 Ordinance No. 2018-6 adopted

After discussion, Ms. Merritt moved to set the public hearing for the 2019 Tax Budget for 8:00 a.m. on June 11, 2018, and to publish notice of the public hearing on the Village website. Mr. Gale seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried  
 Public hearing set

There was a discussion regarding amending the contract with Burton Scot to include the resurfacing of South Lane and Markell Road. South Lane was estimated by the engineer to cost about \$145,000, and Markell was estimated to cost about \$93,000, for a total 2018 road program budget of about \$238,000. That would involve milling and filling the roads to a depth of 2 inches. A calculation was done and if the work were reduced to 1.5 inches, the estimated cost would be about \$179,000. Burton Scot has proposed to perform the South Lane work at \$70,456 and Markell at \$30,686, for a total cost of \$104,142. This would provide mill and fill work using 1.5 inches of asphalt. Council was advised that Section 115.01(e)(11) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Waite Hill permitted the Council to find that waiving the public bidding requirement of Section 115.01(d) of the Waite Hill Codified Ordinances is in the best interests of the Village. Given the price proposed by Burton Scot for the work, the Finance Committee of Council had recommended that Council waive the public bidding requirement and authorize the Mayor to engage Burton Scot to perform the resurfacing work on South Lane and Markell Road at a price not to exceed \$115,000.

Ms. Merritt moved to make a finding that it is in the best interests of the Village to waive the public bidding requirement, pursuant to Section 115.01(e)(11) for the 2018 Road Program, to waive the public bidding requirement for that project, and to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Burton Scot to resurface South Lane and Markell Road for a price not to exceed \$115,000. This waiver is based upon the desire to get the work done this construction season, and to take advantage of the very low pricing offered by Burton Scot. Mr. Taplin seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried  
Agreement authorized

On behalf of the Communication and Community Outreach Committee, Ms. Merritt reported that the newsletter had gone out. The Mayor thanked Marcia, and all of Council, for their support of the renewal of the levy. It was noted that the summer picnic/car cruise-in may be the weekend of August 17. More details will be developed.

Mr. Scheucher reported, on behalf of the Finance Committee, that the Committee had met prior to the Council meeting and had approved the minutes and the Treasurer's report from the prior month. While the renewal of the levy was encouraging, the Village continues to have a net-negative cash performance, largely due to the road program.

In the absence of Mr. Knezevic, the Mayor reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission had reviewed and approved a wrought iron fence for a South Lane residence, along with an outdoor kitchen. He also noted that the Hobart Road residence immediately to the north of the Village Hall had received a variance to install black, chain link fence that will be eight feet (8') tall. The Chief noted that the height of the fence is necessary to keep dogs confined.

Mr. Taplin deferred to Chief DeWitt to report on safety matters in the Village. Chief DeWitt reported that Brian Beaumier had been at the FBI National Academy and doing well; graduation is scheduled for June 8 and representatives from the Village will be attending. The Chief also reported that Willoughby Hills will be closing its dispatch center "sooner rather than later." The Village will be receiving dispatch services from Lake County and will still be receiving fire and EMS services from Willoughby Hills. The City of Kirtland is also going to use central dispatch. There was a discussion regarding automatic mutual aid, which the Village receives from the City of Kirtland for the east side of the Village. The Chief also reported that the Village will be utilizing an intern this summer for about 80-100 hours.

Mr. Gale asked Mr. Haynik to report on service issues. It was noted that the Otis Hill project was being completed and the road may open as early as today. There was a discussion regarding hot crack sealing, and it was noted that the cost of the product would be \$2,100 per pallet, and it was estimated the Village would be using about 5 pallets per year. There would be no cost for the use of the machine. It is uncertain how long crack sealing will prolong the life of the road because that issue is determined by how severe the weather is.

At the request of the Mayor, Mr. Steudel reported on the activities of the Charter Review Commission. The Commission has met several times and has considered many provisions of the Charter to determine the relevancy and need for possible changes. Thus far the Commission has not recommended making any changes to the Charter. It will be meeting again on May 22.

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

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

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned to executive session  
at 9:17 a.m.

Mayor Ranallo reconvened the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

The Mayor reported that the Village did not obtain Eagle Road funding for drainage work and road improvements. The Village will be repackaging the project as for drainage only, and will again seek grant funding.

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

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

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

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Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2018

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