

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

October 12, 2015

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, October 12, 2015, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Ryan Cox	Karl Scheucher
Ken Dery	Richard Steudel
Marcia Merritt	Courtenay Taplin

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Bernice Schreiber, Law Director Stephen Byron, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, Service Director Mike McClain, and Jim Raimondo of Ancora Advisors, LLC.

The Council first considered the minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held September 14, 2015, which had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Scheucher moved to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Ms. Merritt.

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

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Mr. Jim Raimondo of Ancora Advisors then discussed the Village's investments with Council, including the historical investment philosophy of the Village, the risk tolerances of the Village for the various risks inherent in investing, and the rate environment in which the Village's investments were performing. The total return of the portfolio, net of fees, was 2.33%, which is very good when compared to the typical returns that local governments generate. No action was taken.

Resolution No. 2015-15 - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Ms. Merritt.

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

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2015-15 adopted

Ordinance No. 2015-11 - "An Ordinance amending Section 1153.07 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, to allow the removal of dead or dying trees without prior approval of the Zoning administrator" was read for the second time. The ordinance had been referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission, which had recommended passage. A public

hearing will need to be scheduled for the November meeting of Council, and the ordinance will be on for third reading at that time.

Ordinance No. 2015-13 – “An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Schirmer Construction, LLC, for the design and construction of the Metcalf Road Retaining Wall Project, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

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

Motion carried
Rule suspended

Mr. McClain explained the project. Mr. Dery then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-13, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2015-13 adopted

Ordinance No. 2015-14 – “An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to expend Village funds for a public celebration, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

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

Motion carried
Rule suspended

Mr. Steudel then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-14, which motion was seconded by Ms. Merritt.

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

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2015-14 adopted

Ordinance No. 2015-15 – “An Ordinance amending Section 145.04(b)(3) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, to increase the amount of the Village’s contribution to the Health Savings Accounts of Village Employees beginning in the 2015 calendar year” 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: Cox, Dery, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Rule suspended

Mr. Steudel then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-15, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox. Upon further discussion, Mr. Steudel moved to amend the matching contribution amount to equal one thousand six hundred dollars (\$1,600) per employee, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

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

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2015-15 amended

Thereupon the roll was called for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2015-15 (as amended).

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

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2015-15 (as amended)
adopted

After discussion, Mr. Scheucher moved to renew the employee health care coverage provided by Medical Mutual, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

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

Motion carried
Health care coverage renewed

On behalf of the Communication and Community Outreach Committee, Ms. Merritt noted that the Halloween Party will be October 24.

Mr. Scheucher reported that the Finance Committee had met before the Council meeting and had reviewed the Treasurer's Report and discussed the 2016 budget, which will be further reviewed in November. Revenue enhancement options will also need to be discussed in 2016.

Mr. Dery, on behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission, reported that the Commission reviewed plans for the construction of a new residence on South Lane. It was also noted that a barn on Smith Road will be repainted.

Mr. Taplin had no report from the Safety Committee.

In the absence of Mr. Gale, Mr. McClain reported that the asphalt program was completed, and that crack sealing was done. The skid steer had been repaired in-house, saving significant funds. Additional damages (and expense) could have been incurred had the condition not been discovered or if the repairs had been delayed.

It was noted that Aqua Ohio will be adding a \$1.38/ month surcharge to its water bills.

Mr. Dery moved to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, discipline and compensation of Village employees, and pending or imminent litigation, which motion was seconded by Mr. Scheucher.

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

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned to executive session
at 9:08 a.m.

Mayor Ranallo reconvened the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

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

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

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Robert A Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2015

ATTEST: _____
Bernice Schreiber, Clerk-Treasurer