

Wickliffe City Council Meeting  
November 24, 2014

A regular meeting of Wickliffe City Council was called to order by the council clerk due to Mr. Krych being excused. The following were present at roll call:

MAYOR:	William Margalis
COUNCIL PRESIDENT:	David Krych, excused
COUNCIL :	Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja
LAW DIRECTOR:	William Gargiulo
FINANCE DIRECTOR:	Martin Germ
SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Don Kerniskey
ENGINEER:	Peter J. Formica
BUILDING COMMISSIONER:	Raymond F. Sack
RECREATION DIRECTOR:	Timothy E. Stopp, excused
POLICE CHIEF:	Randy E. Ice
FIRE CHIEF:	James G. Powers
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:	Jason Laver, not in attendance

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Law Director advised council that in the absence of the Council President, council members should appoint another council member to act as Council President for this meeting.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Bala that Mr. Matyja act as Council President for this meeting.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Mr. Ely that the minutes of the council meeting held on November 10, 2014 be approved as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR - Mayor Margalis referred to a Smoke Defector Program into the city sponsored by the Fire Department. Former Councilman Okicki brought this up to council and asked that we should do something for the residents because many of our residents have smoke detectors and we all take it for granted that we have them but we found out there are many that don't. Our community has many seniors and some have not replaced theirs and a battery replacement is needed. The Fire Department has been active in doing that program by replacing detectors with the batteries. This evening representatives are present from the Willoughby Cleveland Elks that want to make a presentation to the city. The Mayor thanked them for their organization and for what they are doing for the city.

The Mayor then stated that he attended the annual meeting of NOPEC which is the gas and electric aggregation program. Every year they try to start different programs within that. There was an energy assistance program for communities where we receive \$50,000 to assist in energy efficient lighting. We used it for changing a lot of our lights to LED lights and there were efficiency heaters put in the service garage. The first program is called the NOPEC Connect Title Program, this is the one for the residents.

What they will do is present the nest which is controlled by the phone so you can control the temperature of your house remotely. He explained how this would work to control the amount of wattages that go into appliances, this will be a complete package where they will let residents start similar to the smart meter that they put into many of the homes, this will be in addition to that. This program will be introduced sometime in March of April of this year, residents will be getting notices of that program if they want to participate, right now there is no cost to it and there is no limited amount that they will be putting out and residents will be able to take part in that. This will include a smart thermostat, a smart plug with application so you can keep control of the energy in your house so you know what kind of energy your appliances are using. The next program will be for the businesses and will be called a Pace Program which will be available for small businesses in the NOPEC communities along with governments. He explained how this program would work for a business and some long term financing to do energy efficient projects in their business. The cost of this business would be assessed on the taxes. This is an incentive for businesses to do some energy efficient projects. This program will also be available for governments.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LAW DIRECTOR: Mr. Gargiulo reported tht he would like to recommend to council that they take a look at the Cities and Village magazine which has a very comprehensive article on land use and also an article on who is and who is not an independent contractor. At the first council meeting in December he will inform everyone on the Mosely case, there are three of them. Motions will be heard in late December and the trial is tentatively scheduled for January or early February.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Mr. Matyjha had no communications.

ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Matyja added item (b) under New Business: Korean War Memorial.

ADMINISTRATORS:

A. Police Chief – Chief Ice had no report.

B. Fire Chief – Chief Powers requested that the legislative body would appoint two people to volunteer for assistance with the voluntary Fire Department to continue the efforts of that body.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski that council appoint Mr. Matyja and Mr. Krych to the volunteer fire department fighter's assistance program. They will meet at 6:45 p.m. prior to the next meeting of council.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Mtyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

C. Finance Director – Mr. Germ informed council on the employee health care plan. A report was given at the last Financial Committee meeting for our 2015 coverage. We are in the process of doing open enrollment for all eligible employees and are asking that all the paper work be returned by December 12. Also, some time before the end of the year, he will have ordinances and new contracts for council to approve.

D. Engineer – Report attached. Mr. Formica added the contractor for Grand Blvd. and the sub contractor plan on starting the installation of the waterline on the first week of December. They plan on working to or three weeks prior to Christmas and then take a couple of weeks off for the holidays and then weather permitting start up in January. He has had a pre-construction meeting with them and a letter has been prepared for the residents which will be going out tomorrow morning

E. Service Director – Mr. Kerniskey stated that the holiday lights are up in city hall and he explained how they will work. He reported on the power outages that have occurred. He also reported on the progress of the leaf pickup.

F. Building Commissioner – Mr. Sack had no report.

G. Recreation Director – Mr. Stopp excused.

H. Economic Development Director – Mr. Laver not present..

#### THERE WAS NO AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Matyja read the report of the Finance Committee meeting held on November 17, 2014, which is attached.

Moved by Mr. Jaworski., seconded by Mr. Levon that the Law Director prepare legislation for the following insurance plans: dental with Sun Life, hardware eye care for EyeMed, life insurance A.D. & D with Lincoln Financial and medical to stay with the County Plan.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski to authorize the Law Director to prepare legislation to allow the use of funds from the Weed Control Fund to be used for property maintenance, and emergency cleanup.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Matyja read the report of the Safety Committee meeting held on November 17, 2014, which is attached. Mr. Levon read the report of the Legislation and Welfare Committee meeting held on November 17, 2014 which is also attached.

THERE WERE NO COMMISSION REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

a) Bid Opening- City Hall step replacement – Mr. Formica reported that on Friday bids were opened for the city hall step replacement, four bids were received and there was a difference between the low bidder and the other three bidders. He reviewed the bids but wants to review them with the Mayor before he can give a presentation to council on our specifications. This will be held over to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Korean War Memorial – Mr. Matyja placed this item into the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-45 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT FOR UNPAID BILLS AND COST OF CUTTING NOXIOUS OR POISONOUS WEEDS, VINES, TREE LIMBS OR GRASSES GROWING UPON PARCELS OF LAND IN THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Mr. Ely that the rules of council be suspended and that Ordinance No. 2014-45 be placed on third and final reading.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Ms. Koski that Ordinance No. 2014-45 be adopted as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2014-45 adopted.

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Koski seconded by Mr. Ely that the council meeting of November 24, 2014 be adjourned.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja  
No: None

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Clerk of Council

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Council President and Presiding Officer