

Wickliffe City Council Meeting
September 22, 2014

A regular meeting of Wickliffe City Council was called to order by Council President David Krych at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 22, 2014. The Mayor swore in a new auxiliary police officer, Heather Koporc.

MAYOR:	William Margalis
COUNCIL PRESIDENT:	David Krych
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
POLICE CHIEF:	Randy E. Ice
FIRE CHIEF:	James G. Powers
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:	Jason Laver, not present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski that the minutes of the council meeting held on September 8, 2014 be approved as presented.

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

Motion carried.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR - Mayor Margalis reported that last week a quarterly school collaboration meeting was held with members of the school board, Council President Krych and himself. Discussion was held and on the agenda regarding a pep grant that allows the schools to purchase exercise equipment and they have converted one of the rooms at the high school. This will open in late October, this was about \$100,000 of equipment that are being purchased for the high school and there will also be a climbing wall at the elementary, all to encourage physical activities for the students. They would also like to open the center for evening use by residents. This has not been finalized yet but they are looking for some help in monitoring the room in the evening. We will watch to see how this goes. There will also be some training with the Police Department in case of an event of an intruder in school.

The superintendent of the schools is also working on a Wickliffe Schools Improvement Plan. They are asking parents, residents and community leaders to form a priority list of what Wickliffe wants to see in their schools. They will develop a list of priorities to see how this can fit into their daily curriculum so the schools will work together with the community.

He further referred to Resolution No. 2014-15, A Resolution to support "Ready Lake County". September is emergency preparedness month and Lake County Emergency Management through several agencies have come up with this. The resolution states that the city will help promote this whole effort. This is to try to get our residents prepared for emergencies in the event something happens. This will be promoted in the next Wickliffe Connection to make people aware of this. He also commented on the Town Hall Meeting which will be held on October 14 at 7:00 p.m.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LAW DIRECTOR: Mr. Gargiulo reported on two items: He referred to an article in the recent Cities and Villages magazine regarding a good article on financial disclosures for elected officers. He suggested that council members review this article. He also requested that an executive session be held at the end of this meeting to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Krych added an executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss pending litigation.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Mr. Krych reminded council that on September 29 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a Finance Committee meeting to discuss the trash and waste collection and also budget adjustments referring to the Green Ridge golf course parking lot. After that will be a Utilities Committee meeting at 7:30 p.m. to discuss power outages.

THERE WERE NO ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

ADMINISTRATORS:

- A. Police Chief – Chief Ice reported that the State of Ohio has provided radios for every school in the state to monitor accidents or other events and he explained the procedure. He also commented on some burglaries that happened in the city.
- B. Fire Chief – Chief Powers had no report.
- C. Finance Director – Mr. Germ had no report.
- D. Engineer – Mr. Formica reviewed his report which is attached. He commented on the work being done at the Green Ridge Golf Course parking lot.
- E. Service Director – Mr. Kerniskey had no report. Discussion was held on the price of road salt which has increased in price.
- F. Building Commissioner – Mr. Sack referred to his memo of September 17 requesting that the topic of legislation for the emergency clean up of nuisances be placed into committee. Mr. Krych placed this into the LEGISLATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE.
- G. Recreation Director – Mr. Stopp reminded council of the Craft Fair to be held on October 3 and 4.
- H. Economic Development Director – Not present.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION OPENED

Rich Port, 29775 Robert Street, addressed council regarding a neighbor of his who is on drugs and the activity that goes on in this house. The person occupying this house is selling and dealing drugs. He requested an increase in the warning of this person. He was advised by the Police Chief to keep making calls when there is activity at that address.

Margo Chrenfield-Hilbig, 2267 Green Ridge Drive, commented on the feral cats problem.

Meredith Barthelemy, 885 E. 222 Street, addressed council regarding the problem of feral cats and how other communities are handling this problem.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION CLOSED

THERE WERE NO COMMITTEE REPORTS

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THERE WAS NO OLD BUSINESS

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RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-15 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE “READY LAKE COUNTY” INITIATIVE BY MAKING EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS A PRIORITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Jaworski seconded by Mr. Bala that the rules of council be suspended and that Resolution No. 2014-15 be placed on third and final reading.

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

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Bala that Resolution No. 2014-15 be adopted as presented.

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

Motion carried. Resolution No. 2014-15 adopted.

Moved by Mr. Jaworski seconded by Mr. Levon that council recess into executive session to discuss pending litigation.

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

Motion carried. Council recessed into executive session at 7:45 p.m.

Council reconvened from executive session at 8:43 p.m.

PRESENT: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Ms. Koski that the council meeting of September 22, 2014 be adjourned.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Clerk of Council

Council President and Presiding Officer