

February 27, 2012

Mayor Ann Roth called the Swanton Village Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Rochelle opened the meeting with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Council members present were William Belinger, Tamara Haselman, David Pilliod, Jeff Pilliod, and Michael Rochelle. Councilman James Piotrowski was absent. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, was also in attendance.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2012. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$29,574.29. Jean Kelly, Director of Finance, presented a listing of the bills to be paid. A motion to approve payment of bills was made by Councilman Jeff Pilliod; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 5-0.

There being no old business, Mayor Roth called for new business and introduced **Ordinance 2012-3 (Authorization of Contract for Elm and West St. Clair Street Improvements)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with Poggemeyer Design Group of Bowling Green, Ohio to provide engineering design services for the proposed Elm and West St. Clair Street Improvement Project at a cost of \$12,225. The Village has received a \$78,250 grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission to fund a portion of this project. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman David Pilliod. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2012-4 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Special Assessments for Street Lighting)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance declares the necessity of the Village of Swanton to collect special assessment for the provision of street lighting. The cost per property owner is \$23.00 per year which is the same as in 2011. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman David Pilliod. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2012-5 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Special Assessments for Leaf Collection)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance declares the necessity of the Village of Swanton to collect special assessments for the provision of leaf collection. The cost per property owner is \$15.50 per year which is the same as in 2011. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman David Pilliod. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced Paul McDonald, Fulton County Clerk of Courts. Mr. McDonald addressed Council.

Mayor Roth introduced William Rufenacht, a candidate for Fulton County Commissioner. Mr. Rufenacht addressed Council.

Mayor Roth introduced Richard Sluder, a candidate for Fulton County Sheriff. Mr. Sluder addressed Council.

Mayor Roth asked for Committee Reports. The Public Service Committee met this evening before Council. Chairman David Pilliod reported that the Committee recommended to Council to enter into an agreement for engineering services for the Elm and West St. Clair Street Improvement Project that was approved earlier this evening. The Village has been notified by the Lucas County Solid Waste Management District that disposal fees will be increased by \$2.00 per ton. Allied Waste is permitted to pass this cost on to Swanton Village residents with a cost increase of approximately \$0.23 per month. The Committee also received an inspection report on the condition of the Garfield Avenue, Waterwood Drive and Cypress Drive bridges. The inspection report recommended that the bridge on Garfield be replaced within ten years.

The Finance Committee also met this evening before Council. Chairman Rochelle stated the Committee discussed the renewal of leaf removal and street lighting assessments that were approved earlier this evening by Council. Also on the agenda for discussion was the formation of a health insurance purchasing pool with several smaller area municipalities to collectively purchase health insurance.

Mayor Roth called on the Administrator for his report. Mr. Gochenour stated that it is possible for the Village and the School District to form a joint recreation district with the authority to levy a property tax for the acquisition, maintenance and operation of recreational facilities.

Mayor Roth noted the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on March 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

With no further business, Mayor Roth asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 5-0. Council adjourned at 7: 30 p.m.

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Ann Roth, Mayor

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Mary Lou Perrin, Clerk-Treasurer