

March 12, 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 Bellinger, Tamara Haselman, David Pilliod, Jeff Pilliod, James Piotrowski and Michael Rochelle. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, was also in attendance.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 27, 2012. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 5-0-1 with Councilman Piotrowski abstaining.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of the bills totaling \$67,723.19. Jean Kelly, Director of Finance, presented a listing of bills to be paid. A motion to approve payment of bills was made by Councilman David Pilliod; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for old business and introduced **Ordinance 2012-3 (Authorization of Contract for Elm and West St. Clair Street Improvements)** and asked for a second 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. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2012-4 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Assessments for Street Lighting)** and asked for a second reading. The estimated cost per property owner is \$23.00 per year which is the same as 2011. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2012-5 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Assessments for Leaf Collection)** and asked for a second reading. The estimated 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 Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0.

With no further old business, Mayor Roth called for new business and introduced **Ordinance 2012-6 (Renewal of Consulting Agreement with Richard Schantz)** and declaring an emergency. The enclosed ordinance authorizes an agreement with Richard Schantz for consulting services related to the operation and planned improvements to the Village's water plant and distribution system. The proposed contract would be renewed for a period of one year at a rate of pay of \$45.00 per hour for a maximum of 10 hours per week. The terms and conditions would remain the same as in 2011. The emergency measure is requested in order to renew the current agreement with Mr. Schantz prior to its April 12, 2012 expiration date. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman David Pilliod; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 6-0. Motion to pass the ordinance was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2012-7 (Authorization of Engineering Services Agreement for Fulton Street Sewer Separation Project Phase 2)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance authorizes an agreement with Jones and Henry Engineers of Toledo, Ohio to provide engineering design services for the second phase of the Fulton Street Combined Sewer Separation Project at an estimated cost of \$45,000. Phase two will involve the separation of combined sewers on Woodland Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Church Street, Crestwood Drive and portions of Woodside and Parkside Drives. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman David Pilliod. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth asked for a motion to retire to Executive Session for the Discussion of the Appointment of Personnel. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski.

Motion passed 6-0.

Upon reconvening from Executive Session, Councilman David Pilliod made a motion to hire William Talbott as Swanton's police chief at a rate of pay of \$48,000 per year with a one year probationary period and three weeks vacation contingent on the passage of a pension physical and drug test. Motion seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth asked for Committee Reports. The Water and Sewer Committee met this evening before Council. Chairman Belinger led the discussion on renewing the current consulting services agreement with Richard Schantz associated with the operation and planned improvements to the Village's water plant. This ordinance was approved earlier at the Council meeting. There also was discussion regarding an engineering services agreement for the second phase of the Fulton Street Sewer Separation Project. A first reading of this ordinance was also passed earlier at the Council meeting.

The Public Safety Committee also met this evening before Council. Chairman Rochelle stated that reports were provided on Fire and Police Department operations.

Mayor Roth asked for the Administrator's report. Mr. Gochenour stated that a legal review has indicated that a joint park and recreation district can be created by the Village and the school board to operate, acquire and maintain recreational facilities. As also provided under the Ohio Revised Code, such a district can levy a property tax to support the operation of a joint park and recreation district.

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

With no further business, Mayor Roth called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0. Council adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Ann Roth, Mayor

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Mary Lou Perrin, Clerk-Treasurer