

June 25, 2012

Vice-Mayor David Pilliod called the Swanton Village Council meeting to order at 7:00 P.M in the absence of Mayor Ann Roth. Councilman Belinger 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, Jeff Pilliod, and James Piotrowski. Michael Rochelle and Tamara Haselman were absent. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, was also in attendance.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for a motion to approve the minutes of June 11, 2012. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$45,022.45. Jean Kelly, Director of Finance, presented a cash position report, revenue and expenditure report and a listing of bills to be paid. A motion to approve payment of the bills was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for old business and introduced **Ordinance 2012-11 (Regulation of Animals and Pets in the Village of Swanton)** and asked for a second reading. The ordinance amends Section 94.19 of the Swanton Codified Ordinance by prohibiting the deposit of animal waste on Village owned properties, right-of-ways and any other property not owned, rented, or leased by the animal's owner. Due to the large number of complaints regarding this issue, it was the recommendation of the Public Service Committee to Council at its May 29, 2012 public meeting to establish rules for the regulation of this issue. This is the second reading of this ordinance. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Jeff Pilliod; seconded by Councilman Belinger. Motion passed 4-0.

With no further old business, Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for new business and introduced **Ordinance 2012-12 (Appropriation Amendment for Fulton Street Sewer Project Phase 2)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance amends the 2012 Permanent Appropriation Ordinance by authorizing an appropriation increase of \$660,000 in the sewer fund in order to fund a portion of the second phase of the Fulton Street Sewer Separation Project. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod introduced **Ordinance 2012-13 (Amendment of Codified Ordinance Regulating Grass and Weeds)**. The ordinance is a proposed amendment to the Swanton Village Codified Ordinance intended to eliminate conflicting regulations dealing with the elimination of nuisance grass and weed conditions. This is the first reading of this ordinance. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Jeff Pilliod; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for a motion to retire to Executive Session for the Discussion of the Appointment of Personnel and Property. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 4-0.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Vice-Mayor Pilliod called on the Village Administrator for recommendations in regard to the appointment of personnel. Mr. Gochenour recommended to Council to increase the hourly rate of pay for Steve Geise by \$1.50 per hour for obtaining an Ohio Class 2 Wastewater License; receiving the highest score in Ohio on this test and for becoming an operator of record of the Village Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion to approve was made by Council Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 4-0. Mr. Gochenour made a recommendation to Council to hire Kiersten Basilius to a part-time administrative office position at a rate of pay of \$14.00 per hour contingent on the successful completion of a background check, drug test and a one year probationary period. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 4-0.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod asked for Committee Reports. The Public Service Committee met this evening before Council. Chairman David Pilliod reported on a joint carpet bid with the Swanton Public Library and the Village offices. The joint bid would be made through the State of Ohio's Cooperative Purchasing Program which would have the lowest bid price in the State of Ohio. Also discussed were proposed nuisance regulations dealing with the grass and weeds within the village. The first reading of this proposed ordinance was approved this evening by Council. The Committee also discussed a proposal from Munger and Munger Architects of Toledo to prepare architectural drawings to renovate a portion of the former rescue building into a community meeting room to comply with all required building code regulations. The administration will be advertising for bids for the Elm and West St. Clair Street Paving Improvement Project with a bid opening July 12, 2012.

The Finance Committee also met this evening before Council. Chairman Piotrowski stated the Committee discussed the proposed amendment to the 2012 Appropriation Ordinance to help finance a portion of the second phase of the Fulton Street Sewer Separation Project. A first reading was approved this evening by Council. The Committee also discussed the renewal of note work issued in 2011-2012 to finance past water and sewer improvements. The Finance Committee recommended to Council to reissue notes for 2012-2013 in the amount of \$690,000. This figure is the lowest debt the Village has had in the last nine years.

Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for the Administrator's Report. The Village Administrator informed Council that a residential structure located at 210 Valleywoods Drive, which recently caught fire, will have to be demolished. The property owner intends to rebuild a single family residence on this site.

The Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. With no further business, Vice-Mayor Pilliod called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by

Councilman Belinger; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 4-0. Council adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

David Pilliod, Vice-Mayor

Attest:

Mary Lou Perrin, Clerk Treasurer