

April 22, 2013

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 Paul Dzyak, Tamara Haselman, David Pilliod, Jeff Pilliod, James Piotrowski, and Michael Rochelle. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, and Clerk-Treasurer, Mary Lou Perrin were also in attendance.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 8, 2013. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Dzyak. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$32,178.83. Jean Kelly, Finance Director, presented a listing of bills to be paid. A motion to approve payment of bills was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0.

There being no old business, Mayor Roth called for new business and introduced **Ordinance 2013-8 (Authorization of Munson Road Waterline Connection Agreement)** and declared an emergency. The ordinance authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into a connection agreement with the Swancreek Water District and Fulton County for the Munson Road Emergency Waterline. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Village Solicitor, the Swancreek Water District and the Fulton County Sanitary Engineer. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Jeff Pilliod; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0. Motion to pass the ordinance was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Jeff Pilliod. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2013-9 (Establishment of Depository System for Hydrant Meters)** and asked for a first reading. The ordinance establishes a depository system for the use of Village and privately owned fire hydrant meters on Village fire hydrants. A deposit of \$300.00 is required before the use of any Village or privately owned hydrant meter on any Village fire hydrant. The creation of a depository system for hydrant meters was also recommended to Council by the Water and Sewer Committee at its March 25, 2013 public meeting. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Dzyak. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to appoint a Council member as a representative to the Swanton Village Planning Commission for the remainder of their term of office. A vacancy in this position was created by the recent resignation of former Councilman William Belinger. Motion was made by Councilman Rochelle to appoint Councilman Paul Dzyak; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 5-0-1 with Councilman Dzyak abstaining.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to retire to Executive Session for the Discussion of the Purchase or Sale of Property. Motion was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Councilman Rochelle made a motion to authorize the Village Administrator to negotiate for the purchase of property inside the Village of Swanton; seconded Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for Council Committee Reports. The Water and Sewer Committee met this evening before Council. The Water and Sewer Committee recommended to Council to approve the Munson Road Emergency Waterline Connection Agreement between the Village of Swanton, Swancreek Water District and Fulton County. An ordinance was passed approving this agreement earlier this evening by Council. Also discussed was the status of various water and sewer maintenance projects.

The Public Safety Committee also met this evening before Council. Reports were provided by the Police and Fire Departments on their operations. The Committee discussed the proposed use of speed enforcement trailers on Village roadways. Police Chief Talbot was requested to have a representative of the speed trailer company at a future Council meeting to continue the discussion. Mayor Roth and Police Chief Talbot stated that they visited several businesses on Airport Highway in Swanton and received positive comments regarding the need for more speed enforcement whether by officers or through the use of speed trailers.

Mayor Roth called for the Administrator's report. Mr. Gochenour reported on a safety study performed by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) of Airport Highway between Hallett Avenue and State Route 64. The study found that this location has the highest number of motor vehicle crashes of any rural, non-freeway location in the State of Ohio. Village will be meeting with ODOT officials to discuss proposed safety improvement plans to Airport Highway which may include the construction of a dedicated turning lane. Due to the large number of accidents in this area, grant funding for a safety improvement is very likely.

The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet May 14, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. With no further business, Mayor Roth called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0. Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Ann Roth, Mayor

Attest:

Mary Lou Perrin, Clerk-Treasurer

