

February 24, 2014

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, Gary Moore, James Piotrowski, Craig Rose, 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 February 10, 2014. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$61,878.35. Jean Kelly, Finance Director, presented a listing of bills to be paid. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Dzyak; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for old business and introduced **Ordinance 2014-1 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Special Assessments for Street Lighting)** and called for a third reading. The estimated cost per property owner is \$23.00 per year which is the same as in 2013. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Dzyak; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Ordinance 2014-2 (Declaring the Necessity to Collect Special Assessments for Leaf Collection)** and called for a third reading. The estimated cost per property owner is \$15.50 per year which is the same as in 2013. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Piotrowski; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

With no further old business, Mayor Roth called for new business and introduced **Ordinance 2014-3 (Authorization to Participate in Ohio Bridge Inspection Program)**. The ordinance authorizes the Village of Swanton to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Bridge Inspection Program. By enrolling in this program, ODOT will pay 100% of the cost of inspecting the Village of Swanton's bridges on an annual basis. By participating in the program, the Village will save approximately \$1,000 per year in bridge inspection fees. This is the first reading of this ordinance. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced **Resolution 2014-2 (Renewal of Designation of Depositories for Village Funds)**. Periodically, the Village Council needs to designate and formally

approve the banks or other financial institutions selected to serve as depositories of Village Funds. Currently, the Village has deposits in the form of checking and investment accounts with the following banks: PNC: Fifth Third and Key Bank. The resolution would authorize the continued use of these banks by the Village as well and Farmers and Merchants Bank and First Federal Bank of Delta by the Village for a period of two (2) years. This is the first reading of this resolution. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Dzyak; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 5-0-1 with Councilman Rochelle abstaining.

Mayor Roth called for Committee reports. The Public Service Committee met this evening before Council. The Public Service Committee recommended to Council the creation of two new ordinances requiring the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks within (24) hours after a snowfall and the prohibition of parking on Village streets when snowfall exceeds three (3) inches. The Public Service Committee also recommended to Council the participation of the Village of Swanton in the Ohio Department of Transportation's new bridge inspection program. A first reading of this ordinance was passed by Council earlier this evening.

The Finance Committee also met this evening before Council. The Finance Committee recommended to Council to renew the designation of depositories for Village funds for a period of two years. A first reading of this resolution was passed by Council earlier this evening. The Committee also discussed projected deficits in the 2014 Water and Fire Department Budgets. Beginning in 2015 it is estimated that the Water Fund will need approximately \$145,000 more in additional revenue per year to pay for water plant improvement project operational costs and debt service requirements. Based on the amount of revenue and expense estimated for 2014, the Fire Department will have an operating deficit of approximately \$94,244. No decision was reached by the Finance Committee on how to address the deficits projected within these funds.

Mayor Roth called for the Administrator's report. Mr. Gochenour stated that the Fulton County Commissioners have offered to attend the Village Council's upcoming April 14, 2014 public meeting. There were no objections to scheduling a public meeting with the Fulton County Commissioners on April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Roth announced the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet March 11, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. With no further business, Mayor Roth called for a motion to adjourn. Motion

was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0. Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Ann Roth, Mayor

Attest:

Mary Lou Perrin, Clerk-Treasurer