

June 9, 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, Craig Rose and Michael Rochelle. Councilman Piotrowski was absent. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, and Clerk-Treasurer, Kathy Kreuz, were also in attendance.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the minutes of May 27, 2014. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Dzyak. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$31,211.22. Finance Director Jean Kelly presented a cash summary and a listing of bills to be paid. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Rose. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth called for old business and introduced (**Ordinance 2014-12: Proceed with Assessments for Street Lighting**) and called for a third reading. After declaring the necessity to levy assessments for the purpose of street lighting, Council is required under Ohio law to pass an ordinance declaring its intention to proceed with the proposed assessments. The estimated cost per parcel is \$23.00 per year; the same as in 2013. Motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Haselman; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Ordinance 2014-13: Proceed with Assessments for Leaf Collection**) and called for a third reading. After declaring the necessity to levy assessments for the purpose of leaf collection, Council is required under Ohio law to pass an ordinance declaring its intention to proceed with the proposed assessments. The estimated cost per parcel is \$15.50 per year; the same as in 2013. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Ordinance 2014-14: Establishing Final Assessments for Street Lighting**) and asked for a third reading. In order to finalize the assessment process, Council must pass an ordinance establishing the final cost of the assessments for street lighting. The final cost per parcel is \$23.00 per year. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Dzyak; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Ordinance 2014-15: Establishing Final Assessments for Leaf Collection**) and asked for a second reading. In order to finalize the assessment process, Council must pass an ordinance establishing the final cost of the assessments for leaf collection. The final cost per parcel is \$15.50 per year. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Resolution 2014-3: Authorization to Purchase Road Salt from the Fulton County Engineer**) and asked for a second reading. The resolution authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Fulton County Engineer to purchase road salt for 2014-2015 winter road salting season. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 5-0.

With no further old business, Mayor called for new business and asked for a motion to request executive session for the discussion of the appointment of personnel. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rochelle; seconded by Councilman Rose. Motion passed 5-0.

Upon returning from executive session, Mayor Roth asked for a motion to hire Scott Smith as Fire Chief. No action on this request for a motion was taken by Council.

Mayor Roth called for Committee Reports. The Water and Sewer Committee met this evening before Council. The members of the Committee received updates on the Sewer Plant Phosphorous Removal Improvement Project, a storm sewer easement purchase for Memorial Park and the purchase of property adjacent to the Swanton Village Reservoir.

The Public Safety Committee also met this evening before Council. Activity reports for the month of May were provided by the Police and Fire Departments. The Public Safety Committee recommended to Council to proceed with the creation of an ordinance prohibiting the feeding of wild or stray animals in the Village. The Committee was also provided an update on the demolition of 113-115 N. Main Street. An asbestos survey of the building has found asbestos at levels high enough to require its removal by an asbestos removal contractor. The Ohio EPA requires its removal before the demolition of the building can be completed.

Mayor Roth called on the Administrator for his report. Mr. Gochenour stated that on June 3, 2014, the Village personnel removed approximately 5 dump truck loads full of trash, garbage and debris from the property located at 112 Pennsylvania. The Village received an order from Fulton County Common Pleas Court to abate the nuisance conditions located at the property. The Village Administrator stated that the residence is essentially abandoned, has no utility service and will more than likely have to be demolished. Mr. Gochenour stated that he has had conversations with Swancreek Township regarding a joint repaving project on County Road 1-3/Browning Road. The Fulton County Engineer would manage any joint paving project with each jurisdiction paying for the cost of their portion of the joint roadway. Lastly, the railroad crossing on Main Street will be closed starting on June 16, 2014 for maintenance work.

Mayor Roth stated the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on July 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilman Rose. Motion passed 5-0. Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Ann Roth, Mayor

Attest:

Kathy Kreuz, Clerk-Treasurer