

October 13, 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, James Piotrowski and Michael Rochelle. Village Administrator, Jon Gochenour, and Clerk-Treasurer, Kathy Kreuz, were also in attendance.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2014. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Moore; seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for a motion to approve the payment of bills totaling \$41,604.07. 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 Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for old business and introduced (**Ordinance 2014-26: Renewal of General Engineering Agreement with Jones and Henry Engineers**) and asked for a third reading. The ordinance authorizes the renewal of the general engineering services agreement with Jones and Henry Engineers of Toledo, Ohio for a period of one year. The contract renewal will continue the current terms, conditions and rates specified in prior contracts. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rochelle and seconded by Councilman Rose. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Resolution 2014-10: Accepting Amounts Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Levies and Certification to the County Auditor**) and asked for a third reading. Each year, the Village is required to pass a resolution accepting the amounts determined by the Fulton County Budget Commission to be the Village's percentage of general and voted property tax revenue. Motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Haselman and seconded by Councilman Moore. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth introduced (**Ordinance 2014-28: Name Change for Broadway Street to Zeiter Way**) and asked for a second reading. At their September 8, 2014 public meeting, it was the recommendation of the Public Service Committee to Council to change the name of Broadway Street to "Zeiter Way" in honor of the late Swanton Welding President and Swanton Community Supporter Norman Zeiter. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rose and seconded by Councilman Moore. Motion passed 6-0.

With no further old business, Mayor Roth called for new business and introduced (**Emergency Ordinance 2014-29: Declaration of a Nuisance at 404 Chestnut Street**) and declaring an emergency. The ordinance declares the property located at 404 Chestnut Street to be a nuisance and authorizes the Village Administrator to abate the nuisance conditions existing at this property. The emergency measure is requested in order to abate these nuisance conditions as quickly as possible. Motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Rochelle and seconded by Councilman Piotrowski. Motion passed 6-0. Motion to approve the ordinance was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth asked for a motion to withdrawal an employment offer for a position at the sewer plant. It was the recommendation of the administration to Council to withdraw the September 9, 2014 employment offer to Brent Sheller for a position at the Village Sewer Plant. Mr. Sheller has accepted a position of employment with Fulton County. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Piotrowski and seconded by Councilman Dzyak. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth asked for a motion for executive session for the discussion of the appointment of personnel and imminent litigation. Motion was made by Councilman Piotrowski and seconded by Councilman Dzyak. Motion passed 6-0.

Upon returning from executive session, a recommendation was made by Mayor Roth to promote Zackery Shirkey from part-time to full-time Police Patrolman at an hourly rate of \$14.25 per hour contingent on the successful completion of a one (1) year probationary period and a Ohio Police and Fire Physical Examination; and to hire Steven Deutschman and Anthony Bernal as part-time Patrolmen for the Police Department at an hourly rate of \$13.00 per hour contingent on the successful completion of a one (1) year probationary period, background check, drug test and a PERS Physical Examination. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rose; seconded by Councilman Moore. Motion was passed 6-0.

Village Administrator Jon Gochenour made a recommendation to hire Amy Miller as a part-time office clerk at an hourly rate of \$13.75 per hour contingent on the successful completion of a one (1) year probationary period, background check and drug test. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Piotrowski and seconded by Councilwoman Haselman. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Roth called for Committee Reports. The Public Service Committee met this evening before Council. The Public Service Committee recommended to Council to authorize Lammon Brothers to provide 2014 fall leaf collection services in the Village. Leaf collection begins on October 20 and lasts through December 1, 2014. The administration provided the members of the Committee with an update on First Energy Solution's proposed nonrenewal of residential electrical aggregation contracts in the Village of Swanton. The Committee was informed of the approval of a forfeiture petition by the Fulton County Common Pleas Court of the ownership of the nuisance property located at 112 Pennsylvania to the Village of Swanton and the approval of \$21,500 in grant funds from the Ohio Development Services Agency toward the cost of demolishing the property located at 113-115 N. Main Street. The Public Service Committee was also provided with street light outage and zoning violation reports. The zoning report provided details regarding nuisance conditions associated with the property located at 404 Chestnut Street.

The Finance Committee also met this evening before Council. The Finance Committee recommended to Council to increase the billing rate for police officer special event service from \$22.00 to \$25.00 per hour to cover increased Village costs and to pay all hourly officers 1.5 times their current hourly rate of pay for service at such events. The Finance Committee also met with members of the Swancreek Township Board of Trustees to discuss collaboration in the provision of fire services for Village and Township residents.

The Village Administrator reported that the start of the construction of sanitary sewer improvements on Holiday Lane will be delayed until October 22, 2014 due to delays in the delivery of materials to the site. Mr. Gochenour also stated that the Village has received

complaints regarding the presence of “mobile food vendors” selling food from temporary locations on Airport Highway. Mr. Gochenour stated that all of these operations have food service licenses approved by the Health Department, State of Ohio Vendor’s Licenses and permission of Airport Highway property owners to locate on their properties. Council requested the Village Administration to research requiring these operations to obtain transient vendor licenses through the Village of Swanton.

The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on November 11, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Piotrowski and seconded by Councilman Rochelle. Motion passed 6-0. Council adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Ann Roth, Mayor

Attest:

Kathy Kreuz, Clerk-Treasurer