

## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF February 10, 2020

The Village Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order and present were Richard Clark, Tresa Hundley, Karen Totten, Gary Ulm, Carol O'Dell, Paul Summer, Jana Baker and Janet Pflaum. Absent Carl Klingler. Guests Bill Manuel, Leo Overton and Nancy Overton.

Opened with silent prayer and followed by reciting Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Paul Summers to approve January 27, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Carol O'Dell. All voting Aye.

Treasurer Report and Cash in Bank as of end of January was presented and accepted.

Village Hall will be closed Monday, February 17 – President's Day

Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission is having their annual meeting to discuss any possible project ideas in the county and update the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. The meeting is scheduled for March 18, 9:00a.m. at the Olney City Hall.

IEPA WWTP Energy Assessment is being offered and they will come and look at the Village plant for free and see where Village can conserve energy.

FEMA will be holding a meeting February 18, 10AM-noon in Flora at the Fire Dept.

Mayor Clark mentioned requirements for signs that are to be put up on bathroom doors stating All Gender. Also, mentioned baby diaper changing station requirements.

Village fiscal year is  $\frac{3}{4}$  the way through and now is the time to put any new items/info in the budget for the new physical year.

An Ordinance making amendments to Article VII-Leave of Chapter 11-Employee policies of the municipal code for the Village of Noble was discussed. Changes are employee sick leave from 5 days per year to 12 days per year (1 per month) and all day on Christmas Eve as previously discussed. Motion made by Gary Ulm to approve the Ordinance making amendments to Article VII-Leave of Chapter 11-Employee policies of the municipal code of the Village of Noble that was provided. Seconded by Jana Baker. Roll Call Vote Taken, All voting Aye. Mayor Clark mentioned most municipalities provide compensation for unused sick leave.

The Cleanup Committee provided a rough draft of an Abate letter for Board approval that will be mailed out to individuals that did not comply with the 1<sup>st</sup> letter. Mayor Clark had discussed this letter with the Village attorney, who had no issues with it and very few changes. Trustee Baker mentioned that in the committee meeting it was decided this letter should come from the Village attorney. Mayor Clark said it could come from the Village attorney in the name of the Village. Trustee Baker said she had no problem doing another letter, however since the 1<sup>st</sup> came from the Cleanup Committee and the Village Board voted to proceed she thought this next letter should come from the Village Board. Trustee Summers ask how many will receive this 2<sup>nd</sup> letter and was told approximately 13. Mayor Clark said this letter should state specific violations. Trustee Ulm agreed that this letter should be to each person with specifics in it. Trustee Baker wanted to know once the time is up with this 2<sup>nd</sup> (Abate) letter if the Village Board will proceed. Trustee Ulm said this 2<sup>nd</sup> letter is enough and then proceed. Leo Overton commented that the people have complied with the cleanup it would only be fair to make the others. Nancy Overton ask if the Cleanup Committee had the right to say in the next letter that there will be legal action taken. Mayor Clark said letter states abate 30 days. Trustee Ulm mentioned paragraph in letter stating 30 days and to put will be going to attorney after. Another letter was mentioned after this 2<sup>nd</sup> letter and Mayor Clark said no to a 3<sup>rd</sup> letter that a citation will be issued after this letter (County will deliver the citation to individuals). Trustee Baker said this letter will be mailed to property owners as well as renters. Motion made by Paul Summers for letter to be approved by the Board before mailing. (No second was made or vote taken on motion). Trustee Summers and Trustee Pflaum both said they have not seen the list of individuals that will receive the letter. Matter tabled until updated letter and list with specifics is provided (February 24 board meeting).

Bill Manuel mentioned he had put on the budget list a metal detector to help find manhole covers, etc. Mayor Clark told Bill to provide spec sheet at the next board meeting.

Motion made by Jana Baker to pay bills. Seconded by Carol O'Dell. All voting Aye.

Motion made by Jana Baker to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Seconded by Carol O'Dell. All voting Aye.

Meeting adjourned until February 24, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.