

Held

February 21, 2012

Mayor Conley called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was requested with the following members present: Don Douglas, Bill Eberle, Jon Fickert, Angela Petersen, Jim Seaman and Donna Wendt-Elliott.

Minutes of the February 6, 2012 meeting stand approved as written.

Privileges of the Floor: None

Mayor's Report: Mayor Conley announced Rex Damschroder is having a conference on internet cafes/ gambling on March 8th. A thank you note was read from the third grade LEFFL team for Village support for their trip to flag football national championship.

Police Report – Chief Weirich had no report.

Fiscal Officer's Report – Ms. Busche had no report.

Income Tax Administrator's Report – No report.

Village Administrator's Report – Mr. Pauley was excused to attend a conference and his report had been distributed in the packets.

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Barney had no report.

Mrs. Wendt-Elliott asked what came of the walk through the downtown area by the Administrator, Mayor, Finance Chairman and consultant. Mayor Conley stated the Steering Committee wants to concentrate on improvements in the Church Street area so they walked that area.

Business of the Meeting:

Third Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Resolution No. 01-2012, a resolution declaring the intent to sell personal property, including motor vehicles acquired for the use of municipal officers and departments, and road machinery, equipment, tools or supplies not needed for public use, or is obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired by internet auction was read for the third time. Mrs. Petersen moved, seconded by Mr. Douglas, to adopt Resolution No. 01-2012. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Resolution No. 01-2012 was adopted and will be published in summary two times in the Ottawa County Exponent.

Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ordinance No. 01-2012, an ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Oak Harbor, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012 was read for the second time. Mr. Douglas moved, seconded by Mr. Fickert, to waive the third reading of Ordinance No. 01-2012. Mrs. Petersen asked for the need to waive the third reading. Mr. Douglas stated at the last Finance Committee meeting there was discussion on storm/sewer separation for Church and Benton streets and it was agreed that there were no funds to do any preliminary planning or engineering in 2012 but they do want to address it down the road. The committee is recommending that a savings be set up to fund that for the next two or three years. After discussion with the Fiscal Officer it is not something that needs to be addressed at this time but we can do it with any future amendments to the budget. Ms. Busche explained the need to waive the third reading is so that the temporary appropriation resolution will not have to be amended due to the CSO basin repairs. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Mr. Seaman moved, seconded by Mr. Douglas, to adopt Ordinance No. 01-2012. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Ordinance No. 01-2012 was adopted and will be published in summary two times in the Ottawa County Exponent.

Ordinance No. 02-2012, an ordinance authorizing the Village Administrator to prepare specifications, advertise for bids and award contracts relating to the State Route 163 Water Line Replacement Project was read for the second time.

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Mayor Conley started the work session at 7:12.

WORK SESSION

Council Committee Reports:

Safety Committee: Mrs. Petersen stated the Village Administrator was asking for direction on the pay phone at Veteran's Park as it was suggested at the Finance Committee meeting that it be taken out. Chief Weirich commented that there were two calls in 2011 and they were bogus 911 calls. He has no objection to eliminating the phone. Mrs. Petersen stated at one time a group of parents came before Council and asked that the phone be kept but with the availability of cell phones the committee recommends it be taken out. Mrs. Petersen moved, seconded by Mrs. Wendt-Elliott, to remove the pay phone at Veteran's Park. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes.


Chief John Humphrey and Kevin and Marie Darr from Portage Fire District provided Council with additional information on the proposed Safety Town. They discussed who will be involved and what is needed to proceed with this project.

Street Committee – Mr. Eberle provided additional information for the Street Levy that expires in 2012. Council was provided the estimated revenue figures for a renewal of the levy at 5, 5 ½ and 6 mils and replacement of the levy at 5, 4 and 3 mils. The committee agreed that although it would be nice to have additional money they don't want to burden the citizens and recommended that we do a renewal of the 5 mil levy. Mr. Eberle moved, seconded by Mrs. Wendt-Elliott, to proceed with the required legislation to place a 5 mil renewal levy on the ballot in November. Mrs. Petersen said she wouldn't mind going for a little more in November and if it does not pass try again next year but the renewal is fine. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Solicitor Barney will proceed with the resolution of necessity.

Utilities Committee – Mr. Fickert had questions for the Administrator but will wait for the next meeting. Solicitor Barney reported that 163 letters were sent to everybody they suspect to be a landlord advising them of the recent collection changes and putting them on notice that they are responsible if their tenants don't pay.

Other Business – Mayor Conley requested an executive session for the purpose of acquisition of real property. Mr. Douglas moved, seconded by Mr. Eberle, to go into executive session for the purpose of acquisition of real property to include Council, Fiscal Officer, Solicitor and Mayor. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Council went into executive session at 7:40 pm. Mr. Eberle moved, seconded by Mr. Douglas, to exit executive session. On roll call vote Mr. Douglas voted yes, Mr. Eberle voted yes, Mr. Fickert voted yes, Mrs. Petersen voted yes, Mr. Seaman voted yes and Mrs. Wendt-Elliott voted yes. Council went back to regular session at 8:05 pm. Mayor Conley stated no action was taken or decisions made during executive session.

Mrs. Wendt-Elliott moved, seconded by Mrs. Petersen, to adjourn. With all members of Council present answering in the affirmative, meeting adjourned 8:06 pm.


Jenny M. Busche
Fiscal Officer


Fred Conley
Mayor