



**Village of Johnstown
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 15, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sean Stanearth Called to Order the Village of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Cheryl Robertson; present, Bill Van Gundy; present, Bob Orsini; present, Sharon Hendren; present, Mayor Sean Stanearth; present, David Keck; present, Carol Van Deest; present.

IN ATTENDANCE – STAFF: Jim Lenner-Village Manager, Dana Steffan-Finance Director, Jack Liggett-Service Director, Newt Long-Service Department, Jim Blair-Zoning Inspector, Don Corbin-Chief of Police, Josh Boudinot- Lt. Police Department, Teresa Monroe-Clerk of Council

IN ATTENDANCE – PUBLIC: Jerry Pulley, Lewie Main, Debbie Gillum-This Week News, Yvonne Rose, Brian Rose

INVOCATION: Given by Councilwoman Sharon Hendren

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ACTION ON MINUTES:

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Moved to approve as written: Bob Orsini

Second: David Keck

Roll Call:

Cheryl Robertson	Y
Bill Van Gundy	Y
Bob Orsini	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Stanearth;	Y
David Keck;	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y

Pass 7-0

CORRESPONDENCE: Resident thank you letter; Officer Cooperrider

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for Public Comment. There were no comments and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

DIRECTOR REPORTS: Reports are attached to these minutes

During the Police Chief report, Council further discussed: 1) Repeat false alarm calls to businesses and possibly establishing a policy involving fines to encourage responsible alarm ownership in an effort to not waste valuable Police Officer manpower 2) Loitering and destruction in Bigelow Park 3) Village/Township boundaries of Bigelow Park and police jurisdiction 4) Businessmen's parking lot/events and electric usage by vendors. Councilwoman Van Deest also commended Officer Rusty Smart for his assistance during the Cupola Classic car show.

MOTION: To amend the agenda and add Resolution 15-21; insert after Resolution 15-20

Moved: Bob Orsini

Second: David Keck

Roll Call:

Bill Van Gundy	Y
Bob Orsini	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart;	Y
David Keck;	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y

Pass 7-0

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 15-20 - A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR
Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote

Finance Director Dana Steffan said this is required by the Auditor's office for passage annually; the figures are based on amounts that the village appropriates at the beginning of the year.

Public Hearing: No one spoke for or against the Resolution

Moved: David Keck

Second: Sean Staneart

Roll Call:

Bob Orsini	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart;	Y

David Keck; Y
Carol Van Deest Y
Cheryl Robertson Y
Bill Van Gundy Y

Pass 7-0

RESOLUTION 15-21- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE AS REQUIRED FOR OREGON/WILLIAMS STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Lenner said that this is the legislation needed for him to apply for an Ohio Public Works Commission loan; the total amount of the project is estimated at \$135,000 for construction and easement acquisition costs. The loan is zero percent over thirty years and would be under \$5000 per year repayment.

Public Hearing: No one spoke for or against the Resolution

Moved: Sharon Hendren
Second: Carol Van Deest

Roll Call:

Sharon Hendren; Y
Sean Staneart; Y
David Keck; Y
Carol Van Deest Y
Cheryl Robertson Y
Bill Van Gundy A
Bob Orsini Y

Pass 6-0 with one abstention

ORDINANCE 19-2015 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 11-14, THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSTOWN TO APPROVE NECESSARY CHANGES OF APPROPRIATIONS *Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote*

Mr. Lenner said this is not a case of miss-budgeting; it was a reduction of the entire budget by him last year so necessary line items need to be increased in order for some service department bills to be paid.

MOTION: To waive the second reading of Ordinance 19-2015

Moved: Bob Orsini
Second: Carol Van Deest

Roll Call:

Sean Staneart; Y
David Keck; Y
Carol Van Deest Y
Cheryl Robertson Y
Bill Van Gundy Y
Bob Orsini Y
Sharon Hendren; Y

Pass 7-0

Public Hearing: No one spoke for or against the Ordinance

MOTION: To pass Ordinance 19-2015

Moved: Bob Orsini

Second: Carol Van Deest

Roll Call:

David Keck; Y
Carol Van Deest Y
Cheryl Robertson Y
Bill Van Gundy Y
Bob Orsini Y
Sharon Hendren; Y
Sean Staneart; Y

Pass 7-0

ORDINANCE 21-2015 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF JOHNSTOWN, OHIO IN ORDER TO SET WATER TAP AND CAPACITY FEES CHARGED BY THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSTOWN *Introduction*

ORDINANCE 22-2015 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF JOHNSTOWN, OHIO IN ORDER TO SET SEWER TAP AND CAPACITY FEES CHARGED BY THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSTOWN *Introduction*

Public Hearing: There were no comments for or against the ordinance

Mr. Lenner said that our Village Engineer has evaluated the tap and capacity fees that we charge for water and sewer and has made a recommendation. Ordinance 21-2015 and 22-2015 reflect new rates that are not as high as our Engineer recommended but are higher than what we have on the books currently. Staff recommendation is a two phase process, one at the start of 2016 and another at the start of 2020. This is not an increase to any current resident that has a current tap; this is an increase for new builds as of January 1, 2016. Mr. Van Gundy said that he would like the two fifths charge reduction noted at the bottom of the ordinances to apply only to bonded projects that have been passed by taxpayers, not just any government agency that chose to build here. Ms. Robertson added it would be even better to specify "locally" bonded projects. Mr.

Lenner said that he will research the issue with the Law Director and revise both Ordinances accordingly.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Mr. Van Gundy inquired on two vehicles that have been sitting on the village lot for quite some time and what will be done with them. Mr. Lenner said that he needs to get a surplus ordinance together. There are some items from other departments as well that could possibly be gathered for auction.

2. Mr. Keck said that the Marathon station has switched ownership and should become compliant with handicap parking; there are no handicapped parking spaces. Mr. Blair said he will follow up.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Bill Van Gundy
Second: Sharon Hendren

Roll Call:

Carol Van Deest	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Bill Van Gundy	Y
Bob Orsini	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart;	Y
David Keck;	Y

Pass 7-0

Thereupon, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

APPROVED AS PRESENTED



Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council



Mayor Sean Staneart