

**Village of Johnstown
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 3, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sean Staneart called to Order the Village of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 6:38 p.m.

COUNCIL ROLL CALL: Lewie Main; present, Ben Lee; present, Cheryl Robertson; present, Sharon Hendren; present, Mayor Sean Staneart; present, Bill Van Gundy; present, Carol Van Deest; present.

IN ATTENDANCE – STAFF: Jim Lenner – Village Manager, Jack Liggett – Assistant Village Manager, Jim Blair – Zoning Inspector, Officer Smart – P.D., Teresa Monroe – Clerk of Council, Thad, Yazan Ashrawi – Law Director; Frost Brown Todd

IN ATTENDANCE – PUBLIC: Marvin Block, Chip Dutcher, Juanita Owusu-Nyamekye, Alexis Owusu, Jeff Mitchell

INVOCATION: Given by Councilman Van Gundy with moment of silence observed for recent tragedies.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ACTION ON MINUTES: Mr. Main moved to approve the **September 19, 2017** Council minutes as written. Mr. Lee seconded and the vote was as follows:

Lewie Main;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Cheryl Robertson;	A
Sharon Hendren	Y
Sean Staneart;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Carol Van Deest;	Y

Pass 6-0 with one abstention for absence

CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Jeff Mitchell – 178 S. Williams Street. Said he purchased the home three months ago; accidentally broke the head off of the hydrant/spigot in the garage and has been told by staff he is not permitted to repair it. Village *Ordinance 921.01(k)* states that each house or building shall have a separate stop located outside the premises and because this garage is not attached to the house the garage spigot would require a separate tap/stop. Mr. Mitchell is asking Council to be grandfathered and allowed to repair the hydrant.

Motion: After Council discussion, Mr. Van Gundy moved to allow Mr. Mitchell to repair his existing hydrant/spigot and that this Ordinance be forwarded to Safety and Service Committee for review and adjustment. Ms. Hendren seconded and the vote was as follows:

Ben Lee;	Y
Cheryl Robertson;	Y
Sharon Hendren	Y
Sean Staneart;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y

Carol Van Deest; Y
Lewie Main; Y

Motion passed 7-0

Mr. Mitchell is to call for inspection after repair to ensure the garage water is running through the meter.

There were no further comments from the public and Mayor Stanart closed the floor.

Motion: Mr. Main moved to amend the agenda moving item 10 up to item 6. Mr. Van Gundy seconded and the vote was as follows:

Cheryl Robertson; Y
Sharon Hendren Y
Sean Stanart; Y
Bill Van Gundy; Y
Carol Van Deest; Y
Lewie Main; Y
Ben Lee; Y

Motion passed 7-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Van Gundy moved to enter Executive Session with the village attorney to discuss imminent court action; with members of Council, Manager, Assistant Manager, Zoning Inspector and Clerk of Council. Ms. Van Deest seconded and the vote was as follows:

Sharon Hendren Y
Sean Stanart; Y
Bill Van Gundy; Y
Carol Van Deest; Y
Lewie Main; Y
Ben Lee; Y
Cheryl Robertson; Y

Motion passed 7-0

Entered Executive Session at 7:04 pm; Regular Session resumed at 8:15 pm

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Planning & Zoning Commission:** Met 9/26/17; continued discussions on density levels of PUD in work session.
- b. **Finance:** Met 10/3/17; Special Council combined with Safety & Service to continue work toward 2018 Budget, specifically General Fund Capital Improvements.
- c. **Safety & Service:** Next; 10/3/17 (Special Council combined with S&S and Finance)
- d. **Economic Development:** Next 10/5/17 @ 10:00 am
- e. **Parks and Recreation:** Next; 10/12/17 @ 10:00 am

DIRECTOR REPORTS

a. Service Director: Jack Liggett reviewed the Service Director; copy attached. Mr. Liggett informed Council that as Newt Long pursues his personal businesses, the village will retain his services as a part time employee and Class III operator taking over the weekend shifts. It was agreed upon that this arrangement will go on for 24 months and at 18 months would be reviewed.

b. Manager: Jim Lenner’s report is attached, he added that the final draft of the Western Licking County Accord document is complete and will be forwarded to Planning and Zoning as well as Council for review and to begin the adoption process.

LEGISLATION

A. ORDINANCE 48-2017 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 42-16, THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSTOWN TO APPROVE NECESSARY CHANGES OF APPROPRIATIONS. *Introduction September 19, 2017~Public Hearing/Vote*

Public Hearing: There were no comments from the public for or against the Ordinance.

Motion: No further discussion by Council, Mr. Van Gundy moved to approve, Ms. Van Deest seconded and the vote was as follows:

Sean Stanearth;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Carol Van Deest;	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Cheryl Robertson;	Y
Sharon Hendren	Y

Motion passed 7-0

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Main moved to adjourn, Mr. Lee seconded and all were in favor; Motion passed 7-0

Thereupon, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

APPROVED AS PRESENTED



Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council



Mayor Sean Stanearth

Jim Lenner
Village Manager

Jack Liggett
Assistant Manager

Newt Long
Service Director

Dana Steffan
Finance Director



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September Council Report

Water

- 1) Over 30 turn offs for non-payment.
- 2) Participated in mandatory energy curtailment.
- 3) Replaced CI-17 monitor at water treatment plant.
- 4) We have received the rebuilt floater and hauled all of our lime.
- 5) Jeremy Homstad attended training for his continuing education requirements.

Wastewater

- 1) Responded to 2 sewer plug / odor control issue.
- 2) Newt, Rick and, Jack attended training for their continuing education requirements.
- 3) Participated in mandatory energy curtailments.
- 4) Kroger lift station failed repairs were made.

Street

- 1) Street sweeping is on schedule.
- 2) Cold patch is being applied all across town.
- 3) Repaired street lights and reported bad lights to AEP all across town.
- 4) Work has started on the Edwards / Oregon storm sewer.
- 5) Tim Perry attended training on distribution system work.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT TO COUNCIL
OCTOBER 3, 2017

Economic Development

1. I've received written commitment from Duncan Plains LTD and the Port Authority to move forward to a purchase agreement. The Port Authority will be drafting the agreement. Next, we have to enter into formal agreement with the Port Authority and submit a grant application to USDA.
2. I have been in discussions with a logistics firm looking to locate in Johnstown. Discussions continue.

Private Investment

1. Hopewell Federal Credit Union is progressing. They hope to be open in late October.
2. O'Reilly's has begun erecting walls. The CVS sidewalk has been poured.
3. Troyers Marketplace is under roof.
4. Discussions with the developer of the Rice property continue after a 2nd meeting with the Zoning Commission.

Capital Improvement Projects

1. Work on the Edwards Road/Oregon Street drainage project began and progressing at an acceptable rate
2. The Leafy Dell Road sidewalk has been installed. The installation of ramps and pedestrian flashers should be within the next 6 weeks.
3. We have the ear of the Licking County Transportation Improvement District on the idea of a SR310 – US62 connector. We are very early in discussions. LCATS is working to get traffic data and origin/destination information in the coming weeks.

Parks & Recreation

1. The playground mulch and seeding has been laid and Rolling Meadows Park. The items to complete include the replacement of an AEP electric pole and sidewalk.

Administration

1. I presented at the 2017 APA Ohio Conference regarding our medical cannabis program.
2. We will submit two grant applications to OPWC for various projects on or before October 6.
3. Manufacturing Day is October 6 at 10am. Apeks is hosting an event.
4. I attended the monthly meeting of Explore Licking County.
5. I participated in an economic development visioning meeting with Grow Licking County and their consultant to assist in drafting a strategic economic development plant.