

Bethel Village Council December 13, 2012

The Council of the Village of Bethel, Ohio, met in regular session in Council Chambers on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., with Mayor Alan Ausman presiding.

Mr. Hembree delivered the invocation, followed by Mayor Ausman leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Upon roll call, the following members were counted as present: Council Members Priscilla Johnson, Janice Ireton, Donna Gunn, Lucy Shepherd, Jeremiah Hembree, Amy Planck, Village Administrator Travis Dotson, Fiscal Officer Bill Gilpin and Village Solicitor Julia Carney.

Also in attendance were John Seney of the Bethel Journal, Judi Adams, Dion Pangallo, Gary Hutchinson, Audrey Hutchinson, Tina Grady, Peyton Grady, Skylar Grady, Louise Idlett, Susan Conley, Paxton Cassler, Julia Cassler, Brett Gaspard of Rumpke, Rose Sears and Lena Sears

Mr. Hembree made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2012 meeting, as written, seconded by Ms. Johnson. By roll:

Ms. Johnson "yea" Ms. Ireton "yea" Ms. Gunn "yea"
Ms. Shepherd "yea" Mr. Hembree "yea" Ms. Planck "yea" Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Brett Gaspard of Rumpke addressed council and reported that the rate will stay the same for 2013.

Dion Pangallo thanked Mayor and Council for allowing the fund raiser to take place recently to raise money for Christmas assistance to needy families; \$6338 was raised; dist. on December 23

REPORTS

Mayor Alan J. Ausman:

The Mayor's Court report for November 2012 was read aloud; Total revenue of \$2983.90, \$2403.90 to the village, \$568.00 to the state and \$12.00 to the county.

Read card received from Manley Burke

Read aloud and presented a proclamation to Sue Conley of Bethel Hairitage Salon in recognition of her retirement after many dedicated years of service in the village

Village Administrator, Travis Dotson:

The monthly public works activity report was read aloud

Ms. Shepherd thanked the public works department for the street repairs on North West St.

Fiscal Officer, Bill Gilpin:

UAN software training has been completed, will install first of the year
Working on appropriations and Burke Trust financials; addressing audit suggestions for future compliance

Solicitor Julia Carney:

Many pieces of legislation this evening; Resolution 934 addresses internal controls policy

Police Chief Mark Planck:

November police activity report was read aloud

Finance Committee, Chairperson Donna Gunn:

The committee met earlier this evening; discussed 2013 appropriations and wage scale
Next meeting is January 10, 2013 at 5:00 pm.

Safety Committee, Chairperson Jeremiah Hembree:

No meeting this month; a person arrested thanked the police dept. for doing so as it has led to them getting help for drug abuse

Next meeting is January 28, 2013 after public hearing

Personnel Committee, Chairperson Amy Planck:

Will need a motion to approve the new employee handbook this evening

Parks and Village Property, Chairperson Donna Gunn:

Next meeting will be in January on a Saturday

Burke Trust Commission, Janice Ireton: Nothing to report

Planning Commission, Amy Planck:

Will need 2 public hearings regarding two zoning changes on January 28, 2013 at 5:00pm

Ms. Planck made a motion to hold two public hearings on January 28, 2013 beginning at 5:00pm, seconded by Mr. Hembree. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Bethel Business Association, Priscilla Johnson:

The BBA met on December 3 with 42 members; next meeting is on January 7, 2013

CALL OF MEMBERS

Priscilla Johnson: The DHC parade was awesome; kids fest and dog walk were great, support your local businesses

Janice Ireton: DHC and parade were wonderful; continue to be aware of the ALB, do not be naïve about consequences

Donna Gunn: The Baptist Church held a fundraiser for the ALB cause; DHC was a blast; received comments about Christmas lights not being as bright as in the past; they are led lights that use 90% less power; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Lucy Shepherd: Have also received comments on the Christmas lights; the trees on Plane Street looked great lit up

Jeremiah Hembree: Remember the season; please look after those around you, support charities, please attend a service or gather with your family

Amy Planck: Echo the comments of everyone, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, honor someone by giving, possibly the tiger packs program

PUBLIC INPUT: None

LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE 1696 – AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM THE WATER OPERATING FUND TO THE WATER MORTGAGE FUND, REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, 2nd Reading

Ms. Gunn made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1696, seconded by Ms. Shepherd.
By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Gunn made a motion to adopt ORD 1696, seconded by Mr. Hembree. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1697 – AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM THE ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND TO THE ELECTRIC EXTENSION AND REPLACEMENT FUND, REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, 2nd Reading

Mr. Hembree made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1697, seconded by Ms. Ireton.
By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Gunn made a motion to adopt ORD 1697, seconded by Ms. Ireton. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1698 – AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM THE WATER REVENUE FUND TO THE WATER EXTENSION AND REPLACEMENT FUND, REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, 2nd Reading

Mr. Hembree made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1698, seconded by Ms. Planck.
By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt ORD 1698, seconded by Ms. Shepherd. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1702 – AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BETHEL AND RUMPKE WASTE OF OHIO, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, 2nd Reading

Ms. Planck made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1702, seconded by Ms. Shepherd.
By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt ORD 1702, seconded by Ms. Planck. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt ORD 1702 as an emergency measure, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1703 – AMENDING THE PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF BETHEL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Ireton made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1703, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Discussion: Mr. Hembree asked about the changes in the ordinance. Julia Carney stated that it clarifies items from the previous version.

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt ORD 1703, seconded by Ms. Shepherd. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Planck made a motion to adopt ORD 1703 as an emergency measure, seconded by Ms. Johnson. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1704 – ADOPTING THE UPDATED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. Ireton made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1704, seconded by Ms. Planck. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “abstain” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Planck made a motion to adopt ORD 1704, seconded by Mr. Hembree. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “abstain” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt ORD 1704 as an emergency measure, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “abstain” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

ORDINANCE 1705 – SETTING THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2013

Mr. Hembree made a motion to waive the three readings of ORD 1705, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Gunn made a motion to adopt ORD 1705, seconded by Ms. Shepherd. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 933 – SPECIFYING WAGES AND SALARIES FOR 2013, 1st Reading

Mr. Hembree made a motion to waive the three readings of RES 933, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “nay” Ms. Ireton “nay” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “nay” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Failed

RESOLUTION 934 – ADOPTING WRITTEN INTERNAL CONTROL POLICIES

Mr. Hembree made a motion to waive the three readings of RES 934, seconded by Ms. Ireton. By roll:

Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Ms. Ireton made a motion to adopt RES 934, seconded by Mr. Hembree. By roll:
Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mr. Hembree made a motion to adopt RES 934 as an emergency measure, seconded by Ms. Planck. By roll:
Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Travis Dotson stated that we will need to schedule two additional council meetings for December to pass Resolution 933. After discussion it was decided to hold a special council meeting on December 17, 2012 at 6:30pm.

NOVEMBER EXPENSES

Ms. Johnson made a motion to approve the November, 2012 expenses, as presented, seconded by Ms. Gunn. By roll:
Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Ms. Ireton made a motion to approve the payment of the presented bills and expenses in the amount of \$344,566.06, seconded by Mr. Hembree. By roll:
Ms. Johnson “yea” Ms. Ireton “yea” Ms. Gunn “yea”
Ms. Shepherd “yea” Mr. Hembree “yea” Ms. Planck “yea” Motion Carried

Mayor Ausman wished everyone in the village a very Merry Christmas.

Meeting on motion adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Alan J. Ausman, Mayor

William R. Gilpin, Fiscal Officer