

**VILLAGE OF ANNA**  
**REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL**  
**December 23, 2014 – Council Chambers - 7:00 P.M.**

Present – Members: Kathleen Eshleman, Richard Eshleman, Cindy Naseman, Mark Pulfer, Jenni Shoffner, Gary Strasser, Mayor Robert Anderson, Village Administrator Nancy Benroth, Fiscal Officer Pleiman, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Auxiliary Officer Russell McNeil, Solicitor Aaron Lowe  
Guest: Jeff Wical

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order with roll call followed by opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

R. Eshleman moved to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2014 work session and the December 9, 2014 regular meeting as amended. Second by Strasser. Roll call – all yeas.

Invoices totaling \$156,808.10 were presented for payment. K. Eshleman moved and Shoffner seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call – all yeas.

Agenda approved as amended by verbal vote.

**Citizen Concerns:**

Mayor Anderson had invited Jeff Wical, Tax Advisor for H&R Block and representative to Regional Planning Commission, to speak to Council regarding the pros and cons of contracting with R.I.T.A for our income tax administration rather than St. Marys. He was speaking from the standpoint of a tax advisor and he noted the personal service you receive when working with St. Marys versus R.I.T.A. Also, the tax forms from R.I.T.A. are much more complicated. We have contracted with St. Marys for six months while we consider other options.

**Legislation:**

Remains Tabled – ORDINANCE NO. 1638-13 – AN ORDINANCE DISBANDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Third Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 1660-14 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE SIDEWALK POLICY

Naseman moved and Shoffner seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call – 4 yeas, 2 nays. K. Eshleman and R. Eshleman were dissenting votes. Motion passed.

Third Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 1664-14

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SCHEDULE A IN ORDINANCE NO. 1593-11 PERTAINING TO THE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ARRANGEMENT

Shoffner moved and Strasser seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call – all yeas.

Third Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 1666-14 – EMERGENCY

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SOLICITOR FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (2015)

R. Eshleman moved and K. Eshleman seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call – all yeas.

First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 1668-14 – EMERGENCY

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF THE SHELBY COUNTY PROSECUTOR TO PROSECUTE ALL MUNICIPAL COURT CASES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2015 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

R. Eshleman moved and Strasser seconded the motion to suspend the rules.

Roll call – all yeas.

R. Eshleman moved and Pulfer seconded the motion to adopt. Roll call – all yeas.

Third Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 788-14

A RESOLUTION INDICATING WHAT SERVICES THE VILLAGE WILL PROVIDE TO THE 22.527 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY TRED PROPERTIES, L.L.C. IF IT IS ANNEXED TO THE VILLAGE

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**Reports:**

Mayor Anderson reported that police stats and mileage logs are available if anyone is interested in seeing them. Anderson noted that committee assignments for 2015 have been distributed. He attended Regional Planning Commission last Wednesday. CHIP grants are still available to qualified homeowners. There will be no Mayors' meeting this month.

Fiscal Officer Pleiman reported that she is working on year end and preparing for 2015.

Administrator Benroth's report has been distributed to council members (a copy is attached). Benroth had distributed information regarding loans, interest rates and payment amounts. Naseman asked if we could re-finance some of the higher interest rate loans. Regarding storage unit doors, Vondenhuevel is getting the run around from her vendor. Council may need to consider other options. Benroth was contacted by Honda regarding their need for increased water capacity. Through conversations and research they decided it was more cost effective to expand their own plant. The Zoning Board of Appeals met this evening to discuss a variance for the school to waive the dumpster enclosure on three sites. Tom Monfort is also requesting a variance for setback requirements and the requirement to construct a residence on the old water tower property which he intends to purchase for the purpose of building a garage. Variance for Tom Monfort was approved but variance was denied for the school's dumpster enclosures at the Elementary building and the Ag building. Deadline for dumpster enclosures is December 31<sup>st</sup>. Benroth will check them after the first of the year.

Officer McNeil reported that the officers have been patrolling and enforcing the No Right Turn for semis at Pike and Main. No major issues in the Village. Chief Evans has been working with some problems with juveniles.

Shoffner reported that Finance and Personnel will meet in January.

Public Works Committee met this evening. R. Eshleman reported that items discussed were:  
Water valve exercising equipment is in.  
Commerce Drive pothole repair is holding.  
Shut off valve at 105 South Linden has been located.  
Fencing will be constructed around the culverts at the south detention basin.

Planning Commission will meet January 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm. Benroth is hoping to have final plans for Timber Trails by that time.

**Old Business:**

Decision on water softeners needs to be re-visited. We have a quote for four softeners from Fogt's and Tyler will be getting a quote from a supplier.

**New Business:**

None

**Other Business:**

R. Eshleman moved to approve Jenni Shoffner's appointment to the Anna Endowment Fund committee. Second by Strasser. Roll call – 5 yeas, 1 abstention. Shoffner was abstaining vote.

Shoffner moved to approve the appointment of K. Eshleman and R. Eshleman to the Volunteer Firefighters Dependents Board. Second by Strasser. Roll call – 4 yeas, 2 abstentions. K. Eshleman and R. Eshleman were abstaining votes.

Work session to discuss finances was scheduled for January 12, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

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R. Eshleman moved and Strasser seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Roll call – all yeas.

On return to regular session, there was discussion regarding the Franklin Township Fire Contract. Copies of contract were distributed. Solicitor Lowe has determined that the money received from Franklin Township can go into the General Fund.

There being no further business to come before the group, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. This meeting is held in compliance with Amended Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Time: 8:05 pm

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Robert S. Anderson, Mayor

Linda D. Pleiman, Fiscal Officer