

**VILLAGE OF ANNA**  
**REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL**  
**May 13, 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 Linda Pleiman, Police Chief Scott Evans, Fire Chief Tim Bender  
Residents and Guests: Eileen Boyer, Paul Workman, Doug Harshbarger

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 April 22, 2014 regular meeting. Second by Strasser. Roll call – all yeas.

Invoices totaling \$51,511.23 were presented for payment. Shoffner moved and Pulfer seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call – all yeas.

Agenda approved by verbal vote.

**Citizen Concerns & Guests:**

Doug Harshbarger from Wells Brothers was present because Wells Brothers received a letter asking businesses to comply with the ordinance requiring dumpsters to be enclosed. Harshbarger was asking for exclusion from the requirement due to the location of the dumpster. R. Eshleman asked if a two-sided enclosure would be possible. Harshbarger replied that they could possibly do that. It was decided that Harshbarger would have to apply for a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**Legislation:**

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

First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 773-14 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

R. Eshleman moved to suspend the rules. Second by Strasser. Roll call – all yeas.

R. Eshleman moved to adopt. Second by K. Eshleman. Roll call – all yeas.

**Reports:**

Mayor Anderson reported that police stats and mileage logs are available if anyone is interested in seeing them. Traffic fines for April totaled \$670 and \$255 was sent to the State. Anderson had positive comments regarding the additional speed limit signs on Pike Street and 119. Anderson attended the Middle School Anti-Bullying program on May 9th and read a proclamation commending the students on their efforts to curb bullying. He attended the Regional Planning Commission meeting and informed Council of a \$75,000 grant available to the county for major home renovations to those who qualify. Anderson announced that Baker Chiropractic and Anna Family Eye Care will be having an Open House on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Fiscal Officer Pleiman read a thank you note received from Nina Boyer thanking the Village for their donation to the Anna United Methodist Church in memory of Jake Boyer. Pleiman will be on vacation from June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Administrator Benroth's report has been distributed to council members (a copy is attached). Benroth informed Council that the hard drive on her computer crashed. Jay installed a new hard drive but she is having problems restoring her programs. Jay will be providing a quote to back-up everything off site to prevent this from happening in the future. Benroth received quotes for the Town Hall roof: Frost Roofing, asphalt shingles, \$29,622; Frost Roofing, standing seam metal, \$45,000; United Metal Roofing and Supply, stone coated metal \$25,697.65. The engineer from Family Dollar is requesting a waiver of sidewalk and curb requirements because there is nothing to connect to. K. Eshleman suggested that we waive

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the requirement until sidewalks and curbs are constructed along 119. Benroth received two quotes for sidewalks on Apple and Cherry. Edge to Edge quoted \$59,848 and Wannemacher quoted \$37,322. R. Eshleman asked that quotes be broken out by labor and materials so we can compare cost to having Public Employees employees install sidewalks. Bid opening for the paving of South Second Street from Diamond to Young is scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00.

Chief Evans reported that he contacted attorneys and realtor handling the 202 W. Main Street property. The realtor stated that he has had inquiries regarding the property so it would be cleaned up soon. Evans attended the Ohio Police Chiefs' Conference the end of April. He highlighted some of the workshops he attended. Last week Evans presented a program on drug awareness to the sixth graders. The presentation to the eighth grade was yesterday and seventh grade will be tomorrow. Evans plans to do a presentation for the town at the high school. BCI will assist him by providing speakers whose lives have been affected by heroin addiction. R. Eshleman asked Evans if he was still living in the Village. Evans replied that he still has a residence here and that the time spent here varies.

Finance and Personnel met this evening. Shoffner reported that they are working on pay ranges and comparing to surrounding villages. They reviewed the April financial reports and will make a recommendation to Council on health insurance.

Public Works Committee will meet in two weeks.

Parks and Recreation met this evening. Strasser reported that Jazz in the Park on Saturday was well attended. The circus will be here May 23<sup>rd</sup> and the committee may need help. The swingset from the Natureworks grant has been delivered but it will not be put together until fall. Five pieces of exercise equipment were purchased by a grant from Honda in the amount of \$5000.

Planning Commission will meet on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 to discuss tentative plans for the Middendorf subdivision.

**Old Business:**

Sidewalks – After much discussion and because of the inconsistency in the past of having residents pay or not pay for sidewalks, it was consensus of Council that we develop a sidewalk program. The program will also prioritize the need for sidewalks throughout the Village. Naseman suggested that Benroth check with Sidney regarding their sidewalk program. R. Eshleman stated that Public Works will assist in working on this issue.

Town Hall Roof – It was Council's preference that we go with the stone coated metal. Benroth will work on getting more quotes and references for roofing with this type of material.

**New Business:**

Health Insurance – It was recommended by Finance and Personnel that we go with United Healthcare through Stolly Insurance Group. Shoffner moved and Pulfer seconded the motion to go with United Healthcare through Stolly Insurance for health insurance. Roll call – all yeas.

Rental of Event Sign – It was consensus of Council that the event sign will not be available for rent and it will stay on Village property.

Rental of Stage at Park - Naseman moved and R. Eshleman seconded the motion to rent the stage without electric for \$75 per day and with electric for \$125 per day. Roll call – all yeas.

Advertisements in Newsletters – It was consensus of Council that, in the future, the only ads in newsletters will be one page for an Open House – no fee.

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Pulfer requested that Main Street at Second, where the street was torn up for water main break, be repaired. R. Eshleman suggested that it be cold-patched until it can be paved at the same time South Second Street is paved. Pulfer also requested that Children at Play signs be placed in the alley behind Noll-Fisher and beside the Post Office.

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: 8:38 pm

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Robert S. Anderson, Mayor

Linda D. Pleiman, Fiscal Officer