

VILLAGE OF ANNA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
January 27, 2015 – Council Chambers - 7:00 P.M.

Present – Members: Cindy Naseman, Mark Pulfer, Jenni Shoffner, Gary Strasser, Mayor Robert Anderson, Village Administrator Nancy Benroth, Fiscal Officer Pleiman, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Police Chief Scott Evans,
Guests: Eileen Boyer, Sarah Brown, Mark Siegel

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

Strasser moved to approve the minutes from the January 12th Work Session and the January 13th, 2015 regular meeting. Second by Shoffner. Roll call – all yeas.

Invoices totaling \$20,313.42 were presented for payment. Shoffner moved and Strasser seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call – all yeas.

Strasser moved and Pulfer seconded the motion to approve the December Bank Reconciliation. Roll call – all yeas.

Agenda approved as amended by verbal vote.

Citizen Concerns:

Sarah Brown was present to voice her concern over not being hired as auxiliary police officer. She applied for the position in January of 2013 but then found out she was pregnant and unable to fill that position. She contends that she was officially hired because she filled out the paperwork, was given patches and took a drug screen but the Mayor pointed out that she had not been sworn in. She delivered her baby in September of 2013 and gave Chief Evans a call a week after the birth. She alleges that Evans has never returned her calls. At that time, the Village was not in a position to hire any more officers. She noted that officers were recently hired but she was not contacted for the open positions. Evans assured her that her name is still on the list.

Eileen Boyer was present to voice her concerns over the enforcement of the regulation requiring dumpster enclosures. She doesn't understand why this has become such an issue after all these years and she feels like the Village is discouraging businesses from coming to town.

Mark Siegel was present regarding pending litigation. Council will discuss in executive session.

Legislation:

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

First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 1669-15 – Emergency

AN ORDINANCE SETTING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Pulfer moved and Strasser seconded the motion to suspend the rules. Roll call – all yeas.

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

Reports:

Mayor Anderson reported that police stats and mileage logs are available if anyone is interested in seeing them. Anderson and Benroth met with school officials today at 4:30. Snow removal was discussed. Mayor Anderson informed Superintendent Bixler that he will be writing a proclamation for the Eco Warriors and presenting it to them at a future Council meeting. They were responsible for tagging trees at the Park. Anderson informed Council that the bond schedule has been revised to include dumpster violations and grass and weeds violations. Violators will be fined \$50. Additional costs will be incurred if they come to Mayor's Court.

VILLAGE OF ANNA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
January 27, 2015 – Council Chambers - 7:00 P.M.

Administrator Benroth's report has been distributed to council members (a copy is attached). Benroth reported that she has contacted two companies to provide a quote for an energy audit of the Town Hall to possibly lower our energy bills. Benroth has asked Romanowski to inspect the Police Department roof and get estimates to have it re-roofed. Benroth met with Craig Kuck to discuss options for the repair of the large shelter house at the Park and she also asked him to quote a pavilion for the Park that would stretch from the stage to the current bench location. Once she receives the quote she will apply to Emerson Technologies for a grant. Benroth attended the annexation hearing for Timber Trails. She also attended their regular meeting this morning. The plans for the subdivision passed but it needs to remain with the commissioners for thirty days to see if there is any opposition. The Village then has one hundred twenty days to begin the readings of our ordinances for the annexation. So far there has been no negative feedback. Website update by Graphic Communications is progressing.

Police Chief Evans reported that he has issued five summonses for property maintenance issues. These were for dumpster violations and for the property maintenance violations at Anna Machine. Evans also reported that body work has been done on the Crown Vic.

Finance and Personnel will meet on February 10th.

Pulfer reported that Public Works Committee met this evening. Items discussed were projects for 2015, smoke testing, purchasing variable drive pumps for well-field, purchasing a generator for the Water Plant, re-paving Sapphire Street, back flow preventers and sludge-hauling.

Planning Commission will not meet in February.

Old Business:

Benroth received three quotes for Town Hall ant control. Orkin quoted \$575 for seven treatments and Shelby County Pest Control and Browning Pest Control both quoted \$250 for one application. Naseman moved and Pulfer seconded the motion authorizing Benroth to contact either Shelby County Pest Control or Browning Pest Control. Roll call – all yeas.

New Business:

After discussion, Naseman moved and Shoffner seconded the motion authorizing Benroth to enter into a contract with DP&L Energy Electric to lock in the lower rate of 5.97 cents per kwh from 5/1/2016 to 5/31/2018. Roll call – all yeas.

Benroth informed Council that the WWTP currently has two blowers that are alternately used. We do not have a spare if one would break down. The Public Works Committee recommends that we purchase a new blower as a spare at the cost of \$5000. Pulfer moved and Naseman seconded the motion to authorize the purchase of a blower. Roll call – all yeas.

Strasser moved and Naseman seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Roll call – all yeas.

Upon return to regular session and 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: 8:25 pm

Robert S. Anderson, Mayor

Linda D. Pleiman, Fiscal Officer