

VILLAGE OF ANNA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
March 10, 2015 – 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, Police Chief Scott Evans
Guests: Joel Kranenburg, Craig Stiefel

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

Shoffner moved to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2015 regular meeting.
Second by Strasser. Roll call – all yeas.

Invoices totaling \$13,333.55 were presented for payment. Strasser moved and K. Eshleman seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call – all yeas.

Agenda approved as amended by verbal vote.

Citizen Concerns:

None

Legislation:

Third Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 1638-13 – AN ORDINANCE DISBANDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

R. Eshleman moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1638-13. Motion died for lack of a second.

Reports:

Mayor Anderson reported that police stats and mileage logs are available if anyone is interested in seeing them. Traffic fines collected in February totaled \$1,235 and \$337.50 was sent to the State. Anderson had distributed information regarding First Responders Petition for Safe Chlorine Tank Cars. Fire Chief Bender will research and provide more information at next meeting. Anderson noted that he has spoken with Stacey Weinstock of Anna Machine and he is in the process of cleaning up the area around his business. It should be completed soon. Mr. Patel is in the process of getting a permit for a dumpster enclosure at the Shell station.

Fiscal Officer Pleiman noted that there was information in their packets from the Ohio Plan Risk Management newsletter regarding the Cyber Liability/Data Breach addition to our liability policy. We can add this to our policy at any time or we can wait till our policy renews in November. Pleiman also noted that the auditors from the State will be here beginning tomorrow.

Administrator Benroth's report has been distributed to council members (a copy is attached). Benroth reported that the Village was awarded \$600 from the Anna Endowment Grant to purchase Christmas wreaths and rope lights for Main Street. Benroth will be attending Safety Congress and Expo in Columbus March 31st through April 2nd. She will be attending the Shelby County District Health Advisory Meeting on March 12th and the annual EMA meeting which is also scheduled for that evening. Benroth is waiting on quotes from two area contractors for tuck pointing of the Town Hall. Documents for Timber Trails are in Benroth's office. They need to be available for sixty days before it can be presented to Council in ordinance form. There have been some complaints from residents regarding rusty water. The Public Works employees are working to remedy the situation. There is a notice on the website regarding this issue. Benroth also reported that the Post Office and US Bank have had some sanitary sewer issues. After renting a camera and having the area filmed, it was determined that it was the property owners' problem and not the Village's. As a result, we will be using the camera to determine where the lines are on all of Main Street.

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Police Chief Evans reported that he and three auxiliary officers will be attending firearms and defensive driving simulation trainings at New Bremen on March 24th and March 26th.

Fire Chief Bender reported that all of the extrication tools have been delivered and he would like to set the training for March 23rd at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Finance and Personnel met this evening and reviewed February financial reports. Shoffner reported that two items we discussed are on the agenda under New Business. Income tax administration fees and interest rates were also discussed.

Public Works will meet March 24th at 6:00.

Safety and Refuse met March 3rd. Naseman reported that Chief Evans distributed his annual report and said the Explorer manifold will be repaired now that funds are available. They discussed procedures for car and snow removal. Chief Evans also discussed his training schedule for the year. Fire Chief Bender noted that he is waiting on a quote to repair the fire department roof. Neither the Police Department or the Park received a grant from the Endowment Fund for AED's. Benroth will be applying for a \$500 grant from the Shelby County Safety Council to assist in the purchase of one for one of the police vehicles.

Parks and Recreation met this evening. Strasser reported that when weather permits they will have Craig Kuck check out the large shelter house to see if the wood posts are good. "Kites in the Park" is scheduled for April 20th from 4:00 to 6:00. Rain date is April 27th. The AHS Jazz Band is scheduled for May 9th at 3:00 and Matt Jergens, juggler, is scheduled for June 13th. These programs are possible because of donations from Track Side Treats, Wells Brothers and Panel Control, Taco Bell and NKTelco. A donation of \$50 was received from the Anna Ladies Tennis League. Strasser noted that the FFA made six picnic tables. We will have them make six more next year. The Village supplied materials. There are plans to rework the entrance sign area.

Naseman informed Council that the Civic Association will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt at the elementary school on April 4th at 2:00 for ages one through eight.

Benroth noted that the Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on April 21st at 7:30 pm to discuss a variance for the Shortstop.

Old Business:

Benroth e-mailed a proof of the new website to Council members and staff. She has received some feedback and suggestions and will pass along suggestions to Shelly Bohman of Graphic Communications.

New Business:

Shoffner moved and Naseman seconded the motion to grant a pay increase of \$.25 per hour to Jenny Maurer and Bruce Schroer effective January 1, 2015, as recommended by the Finance and Personnel Committee. Roll call – 5 yeas, 1 nay. Pulfer was dissenting vote.

Electronic Utility Payments – Benroth presented information on a program called GovPayNet. There is no cost to the providing agency for this service. A service fee of \$3-\$4 per transaction is charged to the cardholders. Residents would be able to pay in person at the office, online or by phone. Benroth was given four references by the company and R. Eshleman suggested that she check those references and report at next meeting.

Other Business:

There was discussion regarding the maintenance issue and zoning code violations of the property located at 307 South Pike Street. Naseman's comment was that we can't pick on just one property when we have buildings on Main Street that are just as bad. She suggests

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that we need to look at the whole town and warn all property owners at fault of maintenance issues and zoning code violations. It was suggested that Chief Evans make note of property violations as he drives around the Village.

Benroth informed Council that there are still ants in the Town Hall after the treatment by Orkin. He returned to re-treat Benroth's office. He returned again after ants were seen in the hallway. The first treatment was guaranteed for thirty days. After discussion, R. Eshleman moved to continue with the one-year plan with Orkin. Second by K. Eshleman. Roll call – all yeas.

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: 7:55 pm

Robert S. Anderson, Mayor

Linda D. Pleiman, Fiscal Officer