

VILLAGE OF ANNA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
August 25, 2015 – Council Chambers - 7:00 P.M.

Present – Members: Kathleen Eshleman, Richard Eshleman, Cindy Naseman, Jennifer Shoffner, Mark Pulfer, Mayor Robert Anderson, Village Administrator Nancy Benroth, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Police Chief Evans, and Solicitor Lowe

Absent- Gary Strasser

Guests- Joel Kranenberg, Laura Lentz Fogt, Melanie Kuck, Carol Braun, Kathy Ehemann, Julie Ehemann, Eileen Boyer, George and Joyce Freisthler, Anna Saunders and Jeff Tribett.

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

Naseman moved to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2015 regular meeting with corrections. Seconded by Shoffner. Roll call- all yeas.

Mayor's Court Association payment should be \$50. Invoices totaling \$25,850.98 was presented for payment. K. Eshleman moved and R. Eshleman seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call- all yeas.

Agenda approved as amended by verbal vote with additions.

Citizen Concerns:

The Mayor presented Pride Awards to George and Joyce Freisthler (105 W. North St.), Jeff Tribett (108 E. Main St.), Anna Saunders (201W. South St.) and the Anna Garden Club for the plants in the Main Street pots and the Village entrance signs.

J. Ehemann passed out order forms for the annual Christmas Greenery fund raiser by the Garden club.

Legislation:

Second Reading- ORDINANCE NO. 1678-15- AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FUND FOR THE SALE OF FORFEITED PROPERTY AND FORFEITED FUNDS DUE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS AS REQUIRED BY THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 2981.13

Third Reading- RESOLUTION NO. 796-15- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.

K. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by Shoffner to adopt Resolution No. 796-15. Roll call-all yeas.

Reports:

The Mayor stated that the Police Department stats and logs were available for review. The Park Walking path extension has begun. Many years ago, Dominion East Ohio Gas signed an agreement with Elsass's on West Main Street for an easement. There is an open ditch from this project that presents a safety and health hazard. Dominion has been contacted to research the situation. Mayor Anderson informed Council that he contacted the Ohio Municipal League concerning Mayor's Court training for the new Mayor taking office. There will be several trainings after the first of the year. Anderson stated that he and Benroth visited Timber Trail Subdivision to look over drainage issue. It seems that detaining of the runoff is working the way it was intended.

Benroth informed Council that the tennis court refinishing project will start 8/24/15 and should be completed by 8/28/15. Young Street reconstruction will start September 8, 2015 and be done by Thanksgiving. All street patching is completed. Naseman asked that lines be painted on S. Pike Street especially with the patching between the road and sidewalk. The second phase of the radio read water meters will be taking place. Benroth was

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questioned when the South Pike Street entrance sign would be re-installed and she stated that her and Shuster had discussed it and he wanted to install it next year. Council asked that it be done this fall. Naseman asked who did the inspections for the Timber Trail Subdivision. It was reported that the Subdivision's engineer inspected the work as well as Shuster and Choice One was available if needed.

Police Chief Evans relayed to Council that the FBI was in town and they assisted on a search warrant concerning a residence on South Second Street. The case is still open so it can't be discussed but charges will be filed. He also reported that there had been a theft in Pebblebrook Subdivision on Brentwood Court.

Fire Chief Bender said that his department was ready for the traveling Veteran Wall. It's estimated to have 5,000 motorcycles in the procession. They will be coming through Anna on Sept. 2, 2015 at around 7:10 p.m. Everything is installed and ready for the new generator to be set. Ceiling repair to the inside of the station should be scheduled and done by the end of the year. The department will be requesting the annual purchase of hose and turnout gear for replacement under new business.

Chair Pulfer for Public Works Committee stated that at the last meeting two portable generators will be researched for the Town Hall and the Police Department. Two new chopper pumps were requested for the WWTP. Sapphire Drive overlay is completed. Shuster and Homan have met with Jones and Henry Engineering to discuss the Alum Tank for the WWTP. Smoke testing of the sanitary sewer lines will begin the second week of September. The water tower is due for a cleaning on the outside and it was suggested that the bottom half be painted green to prevent its unsightly look after a couple of years. K. Eshleman wanted to know when it was cleaned and painted last. Benroth stated it was just cleaned and a special film was sprayed on it 2 years ago. Phase II of the radio read meter change will be underway soon. The meters have been delivered to Anna.

The Safety and Refuse Committee will meet Tues., September 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Any items to be placed on the agenda should be given to Naseman by noon on Friday.

The Planning Commission meeting is cancelled for September 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and in its place is a Board of Zoning and Appeals hearing to discuss a conditional use permit for 202 W. Main Street.

The Library Committee will be meeting next month.

Old Business:

- A. Tax Levy- K. Eshleman stated that a plan of action needs to be developed with the ad hoc committee. A work session was set for September 29, 2015 at 6 p.m.

New Business:

- A. Income Tax Reforms-Benroth informed Council that the Income Tax Ordinance will need a major overhaul because of the new state mandates. A template should be developed from the State and we would just add Anna's particulars. This Ordinance will need to be re-written by the Solicitor. He informed Council that he currently has been looking into the changes and has a large stack of documents to review. Many of the changes will be phased in over a couple of years, so we probably have until 2016 to re-do the Ordinance.
- B. Fire Fighter Appointments- Chief Bender has recommended to the Mayor that he appoint Kevin Hammergren and Bradley Boyd to the Fire Department with a 6-month probationary period. The Mayor has reviewed their applications and appointed them.
- C. WTP High Service Pump- Pulfer informed Council that the Public Works Committee discussed purchasing a High Service Pump for the WTP. We currently have two and rotate them daily. One is leaking and being repaired. The Committee recommends the purchase of a new one and to keep the repaired one for a spare. The high service

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pump pushes the water out into the system. Two quotes were gotten. Pulfer made a motion; seconded by K. Eshleman to purchase a High Service pump from Excel Fluid Group for \$5,950.00. Roll call- all yeas.

Executive Session:

Pulfer made a motion; seconded by Naseman to enter into an Executive Session to discuss personnel- the Fiscal Officer Position. Roll call- all yeas.

Regular Session:

Council returned to regular session. R. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by Shoffner to appoint Benroth to the Fiscal Officers position on a salary basis with a 6-month probationary period at a wage of \$12,000.00. The Mayor is to draw up a Letter of Intent. Roll call-all yeas.

Adjournment: 9:00 p.m.

Robert S. Anderson, Mayor

Nancy L. Benroth, Fiscal Officer