

VILLAGE OF ANNA
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
January 26, 2016 – Council Chambers - 7:00 P.M.

Present – Members: Jennifer Shoffner, Gary Strasser, Laura Lentz-Fogt, Richard Eshleman, Kathleen Eshleman, Police Chief Scott Evans, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Village Administrator/Fiscal Officer Nancy Benroth, Public Works Superintendent Tyler Shuster, Public Works Employee Matt Romanowski, Solicitor Aaron Lowe and Mayor Mark Pulfer

Absent: Cindy Naseman

Guests: Joel Kranenburg, Bob Baddy, Anna School Superintendent Andrew Bixler, and Anna School Treasurer Dennis Raberding

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

Shoffner moved; seconded by Strasser to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2016 regular meeting. Roll call- all yeas except R. Eshleman abstained.

K. Eshleman moved; seconded by Shoffner to approve the payment of bills. Roll call- all yeas.

Agenda approved by verbal vote with additions.

Bixler and Raberding addressed Council and passed out the Question and Answer pamphlet for the School District Building Renovation. They touched on several key points.

Legislation:

Second Reading- ORDINANCE NO. 1688-15 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE POLICY FOR FLOWERS OR SIMILAR DONATION IN RECOGNITION OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS FOR EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND PAST EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO.

K. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by R. Eshleman to remove Ordinance No. 1688-15 from the table. Roll call- all yeas. Discussion followed and it was recommended that a clause be added to assign the duty to the Fiscal Officer.

Second Reading- ORDINANCE NO. 1689-15 AN ORDINANCE UPDATING CERTAIN JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO. Tabled

Reports:

Mayor's Report: The police stats are available to review. Pulfer will attend Regional Planning to be held on Jan. 27th. Mayor's Court will start back up in February and will be the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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Administrator/Fiscal Officer Report: The Anna Endowment grant for the Village was submitted. She requested funds to replace the Main Street Christmas tree lights with rope lights. The 2015 closeout is about completed. Benroth is gathering information for grants that are due this spring.

Police Chief Report: Chief Evans wanted to thank everyone for their concerns after his accident.

Fire Chief Report: Nothing to report.

The Finance/Personnel Committee Report: The next meeting is scheduled for next month on Feb. 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Report: Valve exercising program is almost completed. Ten need to be cleaned out than exercised and then the employees will move on to the hydrant valves. There are about 115 of those. The Young Street project is done except for the lights. They have been delivered and the bases have been installed. The contractors are just waiting for the weather to get warmer to complete. The alum tank project has been approved by the EPA. The tank is being purchased and we will need to get an explosion proof pump per EPA requirements. Commerce Drive concrete patching has been completed. Some of it is settling which is to be expected. There is a half skid of the material left and patching will begin on Mill Street. Backhoe lights have been installed to light up the area at night when digging. An OPWC grant has been submitted for Phase II of Young Street. We are currently reviewing quotes for two new mowers. The brands are John Deere, eXmark and Ferris. We are looking at ones with 72" decks and zero turn radius. No decision was made. Benroth is still working on the RFP for engineering firms and will also be looking at the state statues so see if it is possible to have an engineer on retainer. Chopper pump replacements have begun at the WWTP but we purchased the wrong valves and so must return those and get ones for sewer operations. It may take 14 weeks to get the replacements. Cherry and Apple Lane have been chosen as Phase I for sidewalk installation. Phase II will entail the area on the east side of Pike at the Walnut Street intersection. From there we will start with the newest subdivisions to the oldest. Romanowski will be doing an assessment for repair walks in Gemstone subdivision and also gathering information where sidewalks are and aren't. Benroth has contacted Bob Geuy, Shelby County Engineer to schedule a meeting to discuss a joint project concerning the storm sewer that goes under the railroad track on the south side of town. Once it crosses under the tracks it becomes County jurisdiction. A policy will be written to state that the sewer laterals from the tap to the structures are the responsibility of the owner. We plan to re-contract with Randy Boyd this summer for mowing. The new contract will be for \$12.50 an hour. In Gemstone there was a water main leak and it was repaired. The sidewalk section was replaced but the yard work will need to wait until it settles and spring comes to distribute grass seed. Discussion will be made with Fire Chief Bender as to what needs repaired on the old generator. If not too extensive we can sell it. If repairs will be costly, we'll probably scrap it.

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Safety/Refuse Committee Report: The Committee will meet next Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Park & Recreation Committee Report: Will meet in March.

Planning Commission Report: The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Other Reports: No other reports

Old Business:

- A. Appointments to the Firefighters Dependency Board. The Mayor recommends Shoffner and Lentz-Fogt to the board. K. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by Strasser to appoint Shoffner and Lentz-Fogt to the Firefighters Dependency Board. Roll call- all yeas except Shoffner and Lentz-Fogt abstained.
- B. Income Tax Office-Discussion will be held over until the next meeting.
- C. Office Uniforms-Discussion will be held over until the next meeting. Shuster suggested that the Public Works employees be included for 1 polo shirt for dress-up occasions.

New Business:

- A. Electric & Natural Gas Aggregation
Council received a copy of the documents Barr presented at the last meeting to review. Previously it had been decided to wait and see how this proposition is working out for the other communities that have already elected to try it. The Village doesn't want to really be a middleman for the residents. The matter should be researched and a decision made before the November ballot deadline.

Any Other Business:

- A. Records Training- Strasser, Naseman and Pulfer needs to attend sometime during their term. As will the 2016 elected officials K. Eshleman and Lentz-Fogt. Council can pass a Resolution delegating someone to go in their stead. Naseman plans on attending in the fall. She can be the liaison for all if they wish.

Executive Session: Pending Litigation Time In: 7:38 p.m. Time Out: 7:47 p.m.

R. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by Strasser to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Roll call- all yeas.

Regular Session:

Council returned to regular session and no other business was discussed.

Adjournment Time: 7:48 p.m.

K. Eshleman made a motion; seconded by Strasser to adjourn. All concurred.

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Nancy L. Benroth, Fiscal Officer