

June 9, 2015

COUNCIL MEETING

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers in regular session on Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 7 pm. Present: Richard Hilt, Richard Feldkamp, Gary Skeene, Amanda Davidson, Mary Allen and Paul Vanderbosch - members; Ramona Carr, Mayor; Donna Hammons, Clerk; Randy Harvey, Police Chief and Greg Roberts, Village Administrator.

Also attending:

William Marsh - Cemetery Board

Bill Judd - 1085 US 52

Mike Stevens - 1081 US 52

Mayor Carr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken by the Clerk with Hilt, Feldkamp, Skeene, Davidson, Allen, and Vanderbosch answering present.

Minutes of May 26th were presented for approval. Allen motioned to approve. Seconded by Skeene.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Mike Stevens, 1081 US 52: Stevens was present to express his concerns about a rumor he has heard that Nick Wolf and Bryan Gillman had been before council asking about the village installing a sewer line up Rt. 52. They both own property on US 52 and would have to be annexed into the village to receive sewer service. Mayor Carr said that the village cannot annex his property that Wolf and Gillman would have to start the annexation process. Stevens said he owns 24 acres and has no intention of annexing into the village.

Greg Roberts, Village Administrator:

He has several street closing requests. #1 - The Green Kayak Music Festival is scheduled for June 19th and 20th. Close Front Street from Main Street to Walnut Street, 4 p.m. to 12 Midnight. Feldkamp motioned to approve. Seconded by Allen.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

#2 - July 11th is the Nicholas Wilson 5K Benefit Run. The streets to be closed are the usual ones for a 5K race. Feldkamp motioned to approve. Seconded by Allen.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Vanderbosch motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss the possible dismissal or demotion of employees. Seconded by Allen.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Allen motioned to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Vanerbosch.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

The committee feels that more discussion is needed before finalizing any reorganization. Unfortunately, the lengthy medical insurance discussion took much longer than anticipated so we had little time to discuss reorganization details.

Allen motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Vanderbosch. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Hilt motioned to pay bills #35279 to #35310 and electronic bills #263 to #396. Seconded by Skeene.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Mary Allen, Public Works/Parks/Recreation Committee:

Allen drafted a high level Action Plan for input from the other members of Public Works. The Action Plan identifies the key steps that are being followed to make planned cemetery process improvements. Allen asked for updates to be given to her by COB Wednesday, June 10, 2015. She'll update the Action Plan and share with Greg and the Cemetery Board.

Bill Marsh is currently working on the Worksheet. Allen is still interested in receiving input on the 18 page process document that Marsh created. Allen will meet with Mayor Carr later this week to capture her input.

Allen was informed that any sewer expansion has not been approved by Council. Council has been basically aligned to it, but the plan has not formally been approved by Council.

Roberts will have a discussion with David Kennedy to ensure he has a comprehensive understanding to the approach and conversations that led up to the development of the current plan. Roberts will reassess the financials and determine if he supports the sewer expansion and if he wants to make a recommendation to Council.

Richard Feldkamp, Safety/Laws/Rules Committee:

May 18, 2015 - Several members of the River Pines RV Home Park were present and a long discussion as held about flood related issues at the camp grounds. We are working on rules for the next flooding event. The River Pines board has asked for our input and enforcement.

The emergency plan needs to be updated yearly. We need to be more prepared for all types of emergency events. The EOC operation is very important. We found the emergency phone lines at the Middle school where we have the EOC Center are dead. We were never notified of this.

The committee recommends that every family should develop an emergency plan for themselves.

June 8, 2015 - Roberts was advised the Front Street camera has been removed. It was found in the Police Department. Chief Harvey said nobody in the department knows how it got there. Roberts said more cameras and different placement is necessary.

Roberts will be getting the contract price soon for road salt. Roberts is adding paving on additional rough spots.

Fire/EMS Chief Bee said the recent accident with the ambulance is going to Summit for repairs for \$3,700 plus. All fire hydrants have been serviced. The Durango is going to Zimmer Chrysler for rust repairs. Cardiac monitors were purchased in 2001 and need replacement. Bee will stagger replacement to avoid the high expense all at one time.

Bill Marsh spoke and stated he has a real concern about a steep drop off area at Greenmound Cemetery. He is also concerned there is only one way in and out.

Chief Harvey said we need a new ordinance which will ban parking of campers, etc. on Cobra Road during flooding events. Harvey said the first of the new Dodge Chargers should be available later this week.

Feldkamp said that yesterday he did go to Greenmound Cemetery and observed the area Marsh had referred to. He agrees it is dangerous and should be fenced. Roberts said he will see that it is.

Mary Allen, Economic Development Committee:

May 21, 2015 - Allen and Roberts met with Paul Brehm, Economic Development Director of Forest Park. Brehm's comments were very encouraging and included suggestions that we continue to build on our connection with the Underground Railroad; we need to attract high-end clientele. We have what other communities try to create - history and small town charm.

May 26, 2015 - On paper the village was divided into four distinct areas; such as Western Hills which include Gray's Lane/Old 52; Grays' Lane/Robin Hill, the Library and Sports/Fields. Eastern Hills which includes Schools/Churches, Senior Center, Regatta/Union Station subdivisions. River Pines Area which includes Commercial Property, Festival Park and the Duke Property. The Historic Core which includes the Riverfront/River, Parks, Retail, History, etc. Allen said she would advise Council of the need for them to begin working on a vision for the Village.

Mayor Carr presented a letter from Donna Hammons of her intent to retire on July 30, 2015. Also her request for an exit meeting with Council. Feldkamp motioned to accept. Seconded by Hilt.

Mr. Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Vanderbosch asked that this position be advertised as soon as possible.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2015-13 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE 2016 TAX BUDGET

CALL OF MEMBERS:

Vanderbosch - Asked about the CIC (Community Investment Corporation of Southern Clermont) and if it is still active. Roberts said he will check into this. Vanderbosch also mentioned that the area where the recycle dumpsters are needs to be cleaned up after the dumpster bins are removed.

Allen - An FYI that there is a large sign on person's home on Columbia Street about heroin.

Davidson - The committee chairs should submit agendas to their members for the regular scheduled meetings. Some meetings are running overtime. That can create conflict with member's personal time schedule. Also, the shelter house at Union Square Park needs painting.

Skeene - Notified council he will be absent at the next meeting. He will be on vacation. Mayor Carr also notified council she will be absent at the next meeting and on vacation.

Feldkamp - The area by the boat ramp is being cleaned up and looks good.

Hilt - nothing to report.

Feldkamp motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Allen.

Hilt: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Mayor

Clerk of Council