

08-07-2017 Council Minutes

Crooksville Council Meeting Minutes Monday, August 7, 2017

ROLL CALL: Mayor Redfern called the meeting to order with the following members present Mr. Rice, Mr. Locke, Mr. Hampton, Ms. Smith, Ms. Driggs, and Mr. Mohler. Tom Collins and Jan Baughman was present.

MINUTES: Motion to approve Clerk's minutes was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Hampton. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS: Motion to approve August Revenue Adjustments to the 2017 Budget was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Hampton. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Clerk's Reports for July was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Locke. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE AND MESSAGES: Mayor Redfern received from Ohio EPA our approval for the Water Supply Revolving Loan Account. This is the loan section for our waterline project.

SOLICITOR LIST: Jan Baughman stated that she had just gotten back from vacation but that she heard back from ODOT regarding the request for the property on Walnut Street. She stated that they will not be able to complete in our time frame but will work on it and push along as fast as possible.

PAID BILLS: A motion to approve Resolution 2017-56 paid bills and payroll was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Ms. Smith. Motion carried.

TO BE PAID BILLS: A motion to approve Resolution 2017-57 to be paid bills was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

TRANSFER: A motion to approve Resolution 2017-58 transferring funds was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Locke. Motion carried.

PARK & RECREATION: Motion to approve the Bath House Agreement with Crooksville Exempted School District for the 2017 Football Season was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Locke. Motion carried.

Mayor Redfern explained that the Mid-Ohio Food Bank would like to use the park on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the Month and would like a motion for this. He explained that out of 200 people served, 154 of those are from Perry County and they will be in there from 9am to 11am. Motion for the Mid-Ohio Food Bank to use the Village Park on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the Month was made by Mr. Hampton and seconded by Mr. Mohler. Motion carried.

Motion to approve refund of 1 hour (\$62.50) from a pool party that was cut short due to severe weather and no other options available for rescheduling because it is booked was made by Mr. Rice and seconded by Mr. Mohler. Motion carried.

SERVICE: Motion to hire Bobby Russell at \$12.50/ hour with a \$0.50 increase after 6 months was made by Mr. Hampton and seconded by Mr. Mohler. Motion carried.

Motion to increase Mark Dalrymple's hourly rate to \$14.00/ hour from \$13.00/ hour was made by Mr. Hampton and seconded by Ms. Smith. Motion carried.

Motion to increase Dana Strate's hourly rate to \$12.50/ hour from \$12.00/ hour was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Ms. Smith. Motion carried.

SAFETY: Motion to hire Brian Bell at \$11.00/ hour with an increase to \$11.50/ hour after 6-month probationary period was made by Mr. Rice and seconded by Mr. Hampton.

Mr. Bell was present and introduced himself to Council and explained his background including graduating the Police Academy in 2015 and currently working for Pickaway County Sheriff's Department. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE: Motion to table the third reading of Ordinance 2588, an Ordinance Establishing Village Storm Water Fees was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Ms. Smith. Motion carried. Tom explained that at the following workshop meeting Council will be presented with a proposal from JHA for the Storm Water study.

Motion to accept the third reading of Ordinance 2593, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2466 and Adding Martin Luther King Day to the "Holiday Pay" Section of the Village of Crooksville Employee Policies and Procedures Manual was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

Motion to accept Ordinance 2593, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2466 and Adding Martin Luther King Day to the "Holiday Pay" Section of the Village of Crooksville Employee Policies and Procedures Manual was made by Mr. Hampton and seconded by Mr. Mohler. Motion carried.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Redfern stated that we used two HAPCAP workers this year and they did a great job around town and the Mayor wishes that we could have had them for a few more months. This was a funded program and the only cost we had was for someone to supervise these workers.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing.

CITIZENS COMMENTS/ COMPLAINTS: Kelly Hammer, a homeowner on Heskett Hill, was present to discuss a complaint on Earl Saunders property. She stated that this house has been dilapidated for 20 years and has sit empty for 30 and would like to know why he hasn't been made to clean up this property or tear the house down. Police Chief Walters explained that Jerry Marks has been working with Mr. Saunders to get this building secured. Ms. Hammer stated that this place is making the property values go down and someone finally mowed up there today for the first time. Mayor Redfern stated that he spoke with Mr. Saunders a few weeks ago and he is stating that the Village is responsible and own 12 feet up that bank that they should be responsible for. Mayor Redfern explained that he has had multiple complaints on this property. Mayor Redfern stated that he asked the citizens to come before Council to address it because nothing is getting done to take care of this problem. She explained that this is a danger and a hazard to anyone around there, especially animals and children. Solicitor Baughman stated that we can have an inspector come down and inspect the property and start a process. She just needs the information to get this started. Mayor Redfern stated that he will see to it that something gets done and cannot give the residents an answer about why this hasn't been taken care of.

Chuck Brugh was present to ask Council what is going to be done about the property up on Main Street. He stated that this is a sore eye and kids are going to get hurt and asked if the city was going to tear this down. Mayor Redfern explained that it is the property owner's responsibility to clean this up. Solicitor Baughman stated that the Village has started action in court because they are past their time limit.

Paul Dorsey was present to address Council on a hole that needs fixed on Heskett Hill because it is no longer possible to straddle the hole or go around it and would like to see if it could be fixed because it is getting deep. Mayor Redfern stated that he will get this on the list to be taken care of. He asked if there was an Ordinance regarding keeping your grass mowed because he has to hire to get the grass taken care of with the weeds. He stated that Saunders hasn't mowed at all this year and wanted to know why nothing had been done about this. There has been a tree laying in the back yard for 6-8 years that could be taken care of. Mayor Redfern stated that he would get this taken care of and thanked the citizens for coming and letting Council know their concerns.

Sharon Akers was present to complain about Saunders house being dangerous for animals or persons. She has 13 grandkids and it scares her. She stated that the grass on that property has not been mowed at all last year and maybe once the year before that. The grass is higher than what she is tall she stated. Mayor Redfern told her that the Village will do something to get this taken care of.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Mohler and seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

BRITTANY ROSS
Fiscal Officer

MAYOR REDFERN
Mayor