

Village of Thurston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by Council President Ed Vanek. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Ed Vanek – Present  
Warren Simpson – Present  
Vickie Carroll - Present  
Detria Hiles – Present  
Jo-Ann Hite – Present  
Robert Ortman – Present  
Mary Boring – Absent  
Aaron Reedy – Present

Michael Betts from GGC was present as requested by Council as a follow-up to his email of 2/4/2009 regarding the matter of moving the meter between us and the Village of Baltimore. He went over his recommendations. Ed said we should have Baltimore put the pressure regulator on Baltimore's side of the meter so the maintenance of that unit would be their responsibility. Mike said that his opinion is that it would be a better scenario for both Villages if Baltimore took that line over and operated and maintained it, referring to the stretch of line from the old meter position to the new. That is not to say that an amicable agreement could not be reached in which Thurston would retain ownership of the line and customers. Robert asked how far Baltimore was on their project. Mike said they are almost done, they are waiting on our approval.

Lowell said since we've been talking to Baltimore, they've been increasing the level of chlorine they put in the water before it gets to us. He said we've hardly had to add any chlorine at all.

Michael said Walnut Creek Sewer District will be asking for a letter of support signed by the Village for a project they will be applying for. Tammy will be sending it to us shortly.

Larry Kahle was present to discuss the status of Moline Drive. He'd like to see the Village plow it, but it was explained to him that Council never accepted the street when it was presented, and it's considered a private lane. However, Council agreed it was one of the nicer streets in town after 6 years. He would like to dedicate the street to the Village and have them accept it as one of its own. Legislation has already been prepared and will be voted on later in the meeting. He said it needs a new street sign. Detria said we had already ordered one and would appreciate if he would install it. He said he would. Jo-Ann asked him to move the house number signs down closer to the road so they can be better seen by emergency personnel.

Vickie made a motion to approve the January 2009 meeting minutes. Warren second.

Ed – Abstain  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Jo-Ann questioned a water bill payment. Robert made a motion to approve the January 2009 financial statement. Vickie second.

Ed – Abstain  
Jo-Ann – yes  
Detria – Yes

Warren - yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Ed made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-19 – A Resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for Fire Department expenses. Detria second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Jo-Ann made a motion to waive the three-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2009-3, An Ordinance accepting the dedication of Moline Drive as a public street in accordance with ORC 723.03 and the declaring of an emergency. Ed second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - No  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Robert made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2009-3, An Ordinance accepting the dedication of Moline Drive as a public street in accordance with ORC 723.03 and the declaring of an emergency. Vickie second.

Ed - Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - No  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

**Report from Fire Chief** – Jim Hite was present. See attached report.

Jim said he needs council to make a resolution allowing him to draw debt against the fire department. He needs it for a grant he is applying for. He said do not put a dollar amount on the resolution. He needs it by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Ed made a motion to have the Solicitor prepare the resolution as requested, and to make it emergency legislation. Warren second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

**Report from the Service Committee:**

Robert said they met February 4<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Building. See attached minutes. Robert also said that Randy from Walnut Township told Michelle they would be getting cold patch in to fill potholes next week.

Detria made a motion to offer a pothole repair contract to Walnut Township for a period of six months, based on the last contract we offered them, for \$1,500 worth of work, with anything over that being approved first by Council. Robert second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Some kids shoveled the walk in front of the Municipal Building during the heavy snow. Ed made a motion to send a letter of gratitude on behalf of Council to Coleman Brothers & Danny Brown. Warren second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

**Report from the Safety Committee:** Vickie said they met Feb 4<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Building. See attached minutes. The association has requested to lease a bay in the old firehouse to store the old grass truck. Ed made a motion to let them store the truck in a bay and do repairs in the area at no cost. Detria second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

**Report from the Finance Committee:** Detria said they met January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Municipal building. Discussed finances. Scheduled next Finance Committee meeting for February 18 at 7:30 pm at the Municipal building.

**Report from the Rules Committee:** Warren said they met January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Municipal building. See attached notes. Warren made a motion to have the solicitor review the prospective changes to the Rules of Council. Vickie second.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – No  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Council discussed the inoperative vehicle ordinance (83-25). The Rules Committee would like for it to be sent to the Solicitor for changes and review. Vickie made a motion to allow the prospective changes and review for the inoperative vehicle ordinance to be sent to the Solicitor for review. Robert second.

Ed – No  
Jo-Ann – No  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

**Report from Regional Planning Representative:** Robert said there was nothing brought up that concerns the Village. Just noted there were 55 calls handled by Regional Planning regarding fair housing.

**Old Business –**

Council discussed the issue of allowing Baltimore to move the master meter on our water line. GGC's recommendations were taken into consideration.

Vickie made a motion to allow Baltimore to move the master meter as long as they put the pressure regulator on the Baltimore side of the meter so Baltimore is responsible for its maintenance; and that they purchase the approximate 3,800 feet of existing water line between the locations of where the meter exists now and where it will be moved to for the amount of \$125,000. Warren second.

Ed – yes  
Jo-Ann – No  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Aaron presented a draft copy of a contract with the Walnut Creek Sewer District. Council decided to review and discuss it at the Service Committee meeting.

**New Business –**

Aaron presented a Records Retention Schedule and asked Council to review it by the next meeting.

Aaron said a Records Committee meeting needs to be scheduled for March. Council discussed either March 16<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> – coordinate with the Solicitor.

Council received a letter from Jackson, Keller, Shook, & Dern Co LPA regarding an issue with water billing at the trailer park. Ed made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation issues. Detria second.

Ed – yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

The time is 9:35 p.m.

At 10:00 p.m., Warren made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Vickie second.

Ed – yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Robert made a motion to have the Solicitor prepare legislation necessary to repair the water billing/maintenance issue related to the trailer park. Warren second.

Ed – No

Jo-Ann – No  
Detria – Abstain  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Abstain  
Robert – Yes

No mayor to break tie. Council agreed to review and discuss at the Service Committee meeting.

Detria made a motion to make the Towne Crier the paper of record for the village. Warren second.

Ed – yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Detria said she wanted it noted in the minutes that we received notice from the Village of Baltimore of a 10% (ten percent) increase in our water rate. She also wanted it noted that we did not receive a response from Baltimore on our second proposal for rate changes.

Jo-Ann made a motion to adjourn. Vickie second. The time is 10:08 p.m.

Ed – Yes  
Jo-Ann – Yes  
Detria – Yes  
Warren - Yes  
Vickie – Yes  
Robert – Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Aaron L. Reedy, Clerk

**THURSTON WALNUT FIRE DEPARTMENT  
CHIEF REPORT**

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**February 2009**

**PERSONAL**

**BROOK HAYGOOD** HAS BENN ACTIVATED, WILL BE GOING TO IRAQ, APRIL

IN SCHOOL    **A SHONK/ J POLING**        FF 120 B CLASS  
                  **J WALKINS**                        EMT CLASS

**MAINTANCE**

**MEDIC 621**, AIR LINE LEAK AND DUMP VALVE, IT IS AT INTERNATIONAL BEING REPAIRED.

**LIFT STATION** WENT DOWN CALLED EC BABERTT TO FIX IT, THE COST \$250

THE **STATION GENERATOR** NEED TO BE REPAIRED WILL COST ABOUT \$3000.00 TO REPAIR IT.

**FYI**

**EMS GRANT 2009** HAS BEEN SUBMITTED

**FEMA PAPER WORK** WAS TURN IN AND WAITING FOR RESPONSE.

**RECEIVED THE FIRST PART OF THE FORESTORY GRANT WILL BE APPLYING FOR THE SECOND PART.**

**BREAKFAST AT THURSTON FIRE HOUSE February 21, 2009**

**Miles M-621 421/ M-622 5/ R-621 262/ E-621 148/ T-621 72/ C-621 177/**



# Thurston - Walnut Township Fire Department

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Chief James Hite

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## EMS RUN TOTAL JANURARY 2009      FIRE RUN TOTAL JANURARY 2009

### **TOTAL RUNS 46**

**29**

**17**

THURSTON 11  
PLEASANTVILLE 4  
WALNUT TWP 26  
NEW SALAM 0  
OUT TWP 3

THURSTON 2  
PLEASANTVILLE 1  
WALNUT TWP 12  
NEW SALAM 0  
OUT TWP 5

### MUTUAL AID GIVEN

MILLERSPORT 0  
PLEASANT TWP 3  
RICHLAND 0  
BASIL 0  
THORN TWP 0  
BUCKEYE LAKE 0

MILLERSPORT 3  
PLEASANT TWP 0  
RICHLAND 0  
BASIL 3  
THORN TWP 1  
HUBRON 1

### MUTUAL AID RECEIVED

MILLERSPORT 4  
BASIL 1  
PLEASANT TWP 2  
RICHLAND TWP 0  
THORN TWP 0

MILLERSPORT 3  
BASIL 1  
PLEASANT TWP 4  
RICHLAND TWP 1  
THORN TWP 1

### MEDFLIGHT OF OHIO

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THE SERVICE COMMITTEE MET WITH THE SAFETY COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY FEB. 23, 2009 @ THE MUNICIPAL BLDG. @ 7:30 P.M. PRESENT @ THE MEETING WERE CHIEF JIM HITE, JAMIE CARROLL, AARON REEDY, JOANN HITE, LOWELL HITE, DETRA HILES, ED VANEK, VICKIE CARROLL, AND BOB ORTMAN.

RANDY FROM WALNUT TOWNSHIP WOULD LIKE THE COUNCIL TO SIGN A NEW CONTRACT FOR FILLING POTHOLES IN THE SPRING. RANDY WOULD ALSO LIKE THE SEWER LID, AT MAIN & OAK STREETS, REPAIRED BECAUSE THE FLOW HITS IT. LOWELL TOLD THE COMMITTEE THAT THE ROAD IS SINKING AROUND IT. MAYBE SURESHOT COULD LOOK AT IT?

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THE COMMITTEE OBTAINED AN E-MAIL FROM MAYOR BORING THAT SHE RECEIVED FROM MIKE BETTS OF GGC ENG. CONCERNING THE LATEST INFO HE GOT FROM BALTIMORE ABOUT THE PROPOSED PLANS FOR THE WATER SYSTEM. IN HIS E-MAIL, HE LISTS A SERIES OF QUESTIONS/CONCERNS HE WOULD LIKE THE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER. HE FEELS THE BEST IDEA WOULD BE FOR BALTIMORE TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE LINE THAT THURSTON CURRENTLY OWNS. HE PROPOSED A POSSIBLE SALVAGE VALUE OF \$40,000.

MICHELLE NOTIFIED THE COMMITTEE OF POOR DRAINAGE AT THE

(3)

FRONT OF OUR BLDG. SHE WONDERS  
WHAT CAN BE DONE NOW AND BE-  
FORE NEXT WINTER.

THE COMMITTEE IS ASKING MI-  
CHELLE TO SEND A NOTE OF THANKS  
TO THE COLEMAN BROS. AND MRS.  
BROWN'S GRANDSON FOR CLEARING  
SNOW FROM THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT  
OF OUR BLDG.

A LETTER FROM ATTORNEY JIM  
KELLER ON BEHALF OF CHRIS  
WHIGHSEL ~~WAS~~ WAS BROUGHT  
TO THE ATTN OF THE COMMITTEE.  
IT CONCERNED THE REPAIR OF  
METERS AND LINES WITHIN THE  
TRAILER COURT, AN ORDINANCE FROM  
OCT. 1<sup>ST</sup>, 1982 SET THE RESPONSIBILITY  
ON THE TRAILER PARK OWNER.

(4)

THAT ORDINANCE DID SET THE  
RATE, AT WHICH THE TRAILER PARK  
CUSTOMERS WOULD BE BILLED,  
AT \$3.00 PER 1000 FOR FIRST  
3000 GALS. DIFFERENT FROM THE  
OTHER VILLAGE RESIDENTS. BUT  
A LATER LETTER DATED 10/17/1989  
SIGNED BY MAYOR ERNIE HARTER  
BROUGHT THE RATE, THE PARK  
CUSTOMERS WERE PAYING, EVEN  
WITH THE REST OF THE VILLAGE  
CUSTOMERS.

LARRY RAHLE WOULD LIKE  
TO DEDICATE MOLINE DRIVE TO  
THE VILLAGE SO SNOW & ICE  
COULD BE CLEARED FROM THE  
STREETS.

Safety meeting Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2009

Chief Hite said that fire  
levy needs to be put on  
the ballot as a ~~permanent~~ <sup>continuing</sup>  
levy by Feb 19<sup>th</sup>. Aaron  
said that everything is  
being taken care of.

There was some discussion  
about the Village charging  
the fire dept for secretarial  
work.

The fire department would  
like to lease old fire house  
to store grass trailer in  
for \$1.00 a year.

Meeting continued onto Service

Vicki Carroll

Rules comm <sup>met</sup> Jan 21st 2009 @

7:00pm - In Council Chamber!

Present were - Warren Simpson, J. Vickie Carroll, Dietra Hiles, Joann Hite, ~~Jane Hite~~ <sup>Jowell Hite</sup>, Mayor Boeing, & Fire chief Jim Hite!!

Discussed Rules of Council: 1921 meeting changed from <sup>Secord</sup> Thurs to <sup>Secord</sup> Wed!!

(67)(c) - Council President! Selection -

at first Council meeting in Jan the Council shall select President of Council for 1 Year, The member receiving the most votes shall be selected! 1. open nominations

2. Close nominations, vote Yes or No By Roll call in the event of a tie, a tie breaker vote by Mayor shall be taken!!

Secret Ballots is no longer acceptable!

# notification!

Pg (3) <sup>(17)</sup> Discussed 5 Posting places in order to get out or using Lincoln Eagle Gazette!

But may check on prices @ Town Crier! to Post like Bids & legal formalities other than ordinance's & Resolutions! & <sup>meetings!</sup> Village Secretary

shall be in charge of Posting!

1 - Municipal Building!

2 - Post office!

3 - Pizza Ria's shop!

4 - Fire House!!

~~5 - Post Office!!~~

5 - Royster Clark!

discussed upgrade on ordinance # 83-25!  
Improperable Vehicles Etc!! ~~of~~

Section 3 comes into play after!

letter sent ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~you~~ <sup>you</sup> have 72 hrs to  
clean up said # of vehicle ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~by~~ <sup>by</sup> vehicle  
with copy of our ordinance!!

Sect 3 - Whoever violates this ordinance  
shall be fined not more than \$50. per  
vehicle!) for the first offense, and not  
more than \$100. (per vehicle) for each  
subsequent same vehicle offense!

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adjourned @ 8:30 PM  
Chairperson - Warren Simpson  
JK.