

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Jimmy Barber, Jr. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present
JoAnn Hite – present
Ray Robinson – absent
Jimmy Barber, Jr. – present
Garry Boring – present
Lowell Hite – present
Mary Boring – absent
Aaron Reedy – absent
Michelle Shumaker – present

Michelle asked if there were any visitors that wished to speak. No visitors present.

Michelle asked for a motion to approve the April 2010 meeting minutes. JoAnn said there was an error in the minutes describing the location of the pump station. The minutes need to be corrected to reflect the location at 256 and **37** (not 158). Gary made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction; Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the April 2010 financial statement. Garry seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Second reading of Ordinance 2010-8: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2006-15 AND INCREASING THE SALARY TO BE PAID TO THE VILLAGE SECRETARY.

Second reading of Resolution 2010-9: A RESOLUTION FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE THURSTON-WALNUT TOWNSHIP FIRE CHIEF.

Second reading of Ordinance 2010-10: AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY A MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX IN THE VILLAGE OF THURSTON, OHIO.

Business from Fire Chief – Jim Hite was present; see attached report. Jim said there are people from Moline Drive complaining about the nuisance of rodents from the property next door. Someone needs to call the Health Department. An inspector can come up to help the village get the situation taken care of. He can even arrest people if necessary.

Jim told council that Norm said there are 6 dead batteries and the insurance company will not cover them (they are about \$100.00 apiece).

There was an error in the report last month: Kent was only suspended for 30 days...not fired.

The Firefighters Association is having their flower sale at the fire house.

Breakfast is scheduled for May 15th at the station.

Business from the Safety Committee – Jimmy said the rescue should be fixed by the end of June or first of July. The equipment has either been repaired or checked since the accident.

Jimmy said the village is waiting to hear from the insurance company regarding the roof damage and repairs needed on the town hall. Gary said someone will be here tomorrow to seal the hole that's leaking and that the insurance company is sending a check for \$7300.00. The village pays the \$1000.00 deductible.

Jimmy said that Jamie Carroll has volunteered to mow the front of the property next door every couple of weeks. This will be a safer solution than spraying.

Business from the Service Committee – Gary made a motion to start talking with people from Millersport about getting water from them. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES, except Lowell voting NO. Motion carried.

Business from the Finance Committee – Didn't meet.

Business from the Rules Committee – Didn't meet.

Business from the Regional Planning Representative – Robert said there was nothing to report that concerned the village.

Old Business –

Jimmy reminded everyone that the 2011 Budget numbers need to be in to Aaron or Mary by May 15th.

Jimmy said there will be special meetings for the public to attend on 05/19, 06/01, 06/02 and 06/16 for the Community Development Block Grant. The meetings will be at the Municipal Building, except for the meeting on 06/01 which will be held at the Commissioners Hearing Room in Lancaster. There will be fliers going out door-to-door to notify the village residents. The more public attendance, the better chance the village has to get this substantial grant.

Jim asked if hydrant flushing will interfere with repairs to the water tank in June. Lowell said no.

New Business –

Gary made a motion to approve a lot split on Holt Street. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Gary made a motion to accept the quote from Sam's Pest Control to spray for mosquitoes once a month (or more if council feels it's necessary) at \$125.00 per spray. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Gary said we need to get with Vince Popo from Millersport to set up a meeting with each Mayor and all Service Committee members to discuss water.

Lowell asked about adjusting the water rates now that the loan for the water system is paid off. A Finance Committee meeting will be held prior to the Service and Safety meeting on Wednesday, June 2nd, to discuss the issue.

JoAnn made a motion to adjourn at 7:21 pm. Seconded by Garry. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Respectfully prepared by,

Michelle Shumaker