

Village of Thurston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
July 20, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. This special meeting was called to conduct the business that would have been done at the July 13, 2011 regular meeting. That meeting was cancelled due to a lack of quorum.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present  
JoAnn Hite – present  
Rita Leiendecker - present  
Jimmy Barber, Jr. – absent  
Garry Boring – present  
Lowell Hite – present  
Mary Boring – present  
Aaron Reedy – present

Visitor Larry Neely, a resident of Walnut Twp, was present and asked to address Council. He shared his concerns regarding the water main project that will be coming down Route 37 between Rt 204 & Rt 256. He's afraid it will bring development to the agricultural area.

Garry made a motion to approve the June, 2011 regular meeting minute. Rita seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to approve the June 2011 financial statement. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Second reading for Ordinance 2011-12 – An Ordinance to keep down grasses, weeds, noxious weeds, and other vegetation/trim trees and shrubbery.

Rita made a motion to wave the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2011-13 – A Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds and the declaration of an emergency. Garry seconded. Roll Call vote: All YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-13 – A Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds and the declaration of an emergency. JoAnne seconded. Roll Call vote: All YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to wave the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2011-14 – A Resolution requesting the auditor of Fairfield County OH to certify to the Village of Thurston, OH the total current tax valuation of the subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue to be generated by a creation of a police protection levy and the declaration of an emergency. Robert seconded. Roll Call vote: All YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-14 – A Resolution requesting the auditor of Fairfield County OH to certify to the Village of Thurston, OH the total current tax valuation of the subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue to be generated by a creation of a police protection levy and the declaration of an emergency. Garry seconded. Roll Call vote: All YES. Motion carried.

**Business from Fire Chief** – Jim Hite was present to submit the report. See attached. Rita made a motion to hire Thomas Gary, Brain Malone, Brain Hart and Andrew Selague to the department. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**Business from the Safety Committee** – Garry made a motion to send a certified letter to the bank that owns the property at 8111 Maple St regarding the property maintenance nuisance. Rita second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**Business from the Service Committee** – No business

**Business from the Finance Committee** – Didn't meet.

**Business from the Rules Committee** – Didn't meet.

**Business from the Regional Planning Representative** – Robert was not able to attend.

**Old Business** –

Aaron said there has been no response from Larry Kahle regarding the nuisance on his 8053 Broad St. property after sending a certified letter. Garry said some of it has been cleaned up, but the weeds and brush still need taken care of. Garry made a motion to send a certified letter to Larry Kahle to have him remove the weeds, high grass & brush from the property. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Lowell made a motion to have the vendor spray for mosquitoes twice in August. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Aaron said there has been no response from Lansing Trade Group regarding the road destruction on Oak St. since Aaron send the certified letter. Council tabled the issue.

Mary said water acct #64 said their water bill for May was high, and they've checked for leaks, but have none. They would like council to do something. The meter has already been replaced twice in the last 16 months. Readings since the May reading look normal – nothing extraordinary. JoAnn made a motion to table for 2 – 3 months. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**New Business** –

Aaron said there was a complaint about water smelling bad every first of the month. Garry made a motion to send a letter to the user stating we haven't received other complaints regarding an odor and to suggest having their plumber check their hot water tank. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

JoAnn made a motion to table the issue regarding pot holes in the alley behind the Methodist church until the next meeting. Jamie Carroll will get some pricing. Rita second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Jim said he needs to move some money around in the fire fund. He will get with Aaron. Jamie Carroll asked if the village would consider selling the old firehouse back to the Fire Dept. Mary said to bring it up at the safety/service committee meeting.

JoAnn made a motion to adjourn at 7:51 pm. Garry seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Respectfully prepared by,

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Aaron Reedy