

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Council President Robert Ortman. Pledge was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present JoAnn Hite – present Jimmy Barber, Jr. – absent
Garry Boring – present Lowell Hite – present Dave Carpenter – absent
Mary Boring, Mayor – absent Aaron Reedy, Clerk-Treasurer – present

There were no visitors.

Barb Anderson from GGC was present. She's been going over all the shop drawings and everything is going well. The line contractor will start 1 week after Memorial Day due to the recent rain. She said there were several deduct orders coming our way. They are finding ways to save money on the project.

Garry made a motion to approve the April 2014 meeting minutes. Jo-Ann second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to approve the April 2014 financial statement. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to table legislation till next meeting due to missing 2 council members. JoAnn second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from Fire Chief – Chief Jim Hite was present. Chief Hite presented the report. Jim asked Council if the Fire Department could get a Community Credit Card. Aaron said he would investigate the program. Chief Hite said they found a mower on Craig's List for \$1,500. Jimmy made a motion to approve the \$1,500 mower purchase. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Council discussed that it should be stored in the Street Building. Aaron said we'd need a VIN# to get it on the insurance.

Councilmembers Jimmy Barber and Dave Carpenter came into the meeting at this point. Garry made a motion to vote on legislation now since they are here. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES except Jo-Ann voted no. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-3, An Ordinance to adopt "Cemetery Rules and Regulations". David second. Roll call vote: all YES except Lowell and Jo-Ann voted no. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-5, An Ordinance repealing Ordinance 2006-11, abolishing the position of Village Administrator. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES except Lowell voted no. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance # 2014-9, An Ordinance to Petition the County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio for Annexation of Approximately 1.610 acres of land, Located West of High St and north of the Norfolk Southern combined railroad from Walnut Township to the Village of Thurston, Fairfield County, OH, and declaring an emergency. Dave second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 2014-9, An Ordinance to Petition the County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio for Annexation of Approximately 1.610 acres of land, Located West of High St and

north of the Norfolk Southern combined railroad from Walnut Township to the Village of Thurston, Fairfield County, OH, and declaring an emergency. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Safety Committee – Jimmy made a motion that the buildings at 8111 Maple St and 8159 Maple St. should be demolished because of unsafe & unsanitary conditions, there are hazards that endanger lives or properties by fire or other causes, utilities are disconnected, and they are vacant. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Lowell said they will need water during the demolition process. Jimmy said they can use Village water as long as they pay for it.

Business from the Service Committee – Garry made a motion to have CC Lawn Care mow the treatment plant site. Dave second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Finance Committee – didn't meet

Business from the Regional Planning Representative – Robert said nothing that concerned the Village.

Old Business – Garry made a motion to proceed with the property tax assessment on the Prather property for delinquent utilities. Dave second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Council decided to delay the Ferrell assessments for 30 days since he's left word that he trying to work something out.

Robert said Randy Kemmerer will patch holes and plow for us. He'll take whatever compensation we feel is fair. Council will discuss at next service committee meeting.

New Business – Jimmy made a motion to approve a Then & Now PO (#165-2014) for over \$3,000 at the clerk's request. David second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2015 budget as presented. Dave second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to pay bill for Micro \$3,000 out of General Fund; \$2,000 out of Water Fund. Dave second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to discuss, Jimmy made a motion to adjourn. David second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy