

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present	JoAnn Hite – present	Jimmy Barber JR - absent
Garry Boring – present	Lowell Hite – present	1OPEN council seat
Mary Boring, Mayor – present	Aaron Reedy, Clerk – present	

Mary asked if any visitors wished to speak. Jeremy Mummy of Elm St., Thurston wished to speak. Jeremy spoke on subjects that this clerk was not able to interpret or make any sense of. His speech was confusing to this clerk. What could be understood did not make sense to this clerk. He mentioned something about having a contract with the Sheriff's office. He mentioned something about water backups and flooding. He mentioned something about our Fire Department working with the Millersport Fire Department. This clerk is not going to try to document any further.

Tammy Prather of 8104 Elm St. was also present and complained about how Council was interrupting the visitors who were speaking.

Barb Anderson from GGC was present. She said there were still some punch list items open on the water plant project. The O&M manual is being completed. Generators are installed, but waiting to connect to gas line at the water plant. At the wellfield, there was a major failure by Amerigas to provide service to us. The salesman was rude and uncooperative on several occasions to multiple persons. We decided not to try to get service from them. We called Suburban Propane. All information was sent to them. We told them the driveway was still under construction. They were going to install last Friday, but they came last Thursday (a day early with no notice). They drove through the field and got stuck. Now they won't deliver tank until the driveway is done.

Barb got a quote for \$8,320 from Rock River to install a flushing hydrant at the point of our line that dead-ends into Baltimore. Quote from them for \$5,798 to install a valve near the point where we tied into the Baltimore line. If we have them do both, it will be \$12,050 (less if the line is actually 6"). We have an outstanding cost of \$24,000 for driveway final surface and \$7,140 for clearing of brush. Total of all is \$43,190.

Garry made a motion to accept the quote from Rock River to install the flushing hydrant, install the valve, finish the driveway, and payment for brush clearing not to exceed \$43,190. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Barb said GGC prepared an EPA project for fire hydrant and valve replacement throughout the village. It was due March 1. It will overlap with CDBG funding. She is coordinating with the mayor so she can attend the required meeting.

Robert made a motion to approve the February 2015 meeting minutes. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to approve the January 2015 financial statement. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to approve the February 28, 2015 special meeting minutes. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to waive Council pay for the February 28, 2015 special meeting minutes. Garry second. Roll call vote: JoAnn and Lowell voted NO. Garry and Robert voted YES. Mayor broke the tie with a NO vote – allowing for Council pay.

First reading of Ordinance 2015-5 - AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO OHIO POWER COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, FOR THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, AND OPERATE IN THE STREETS, THOROUGHFARES, ALLEYS, BRIDGES, AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE VILLAGE OF THURSTON, STATE OF OHIO, AND ITS SUCCESSORS, LINES FOR THE TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY TO THE VILLAGE OF THURSTON, AND THE INHABITANTS THEREOF FOR LIGHT, HEAT, POWER, AND OTHER PURPOSES, AND FOR THE TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE SAME WITHIN, THROUGH, OR ACROSS SAID VILLAGE OF THURSTON, STATE OF OHIO.

Business from Fire Chief -

Jim was present and submitted his report. He said they are looking at the possibility of replacing the station car.

Business from the Safety Committee – no business

Business from the Service Committee – Garry said the big walnut tree in the cemetery needs cut down. Lowell said there was another tree, too. Mary said we should get a quote for the different trees that need removed.

Garry said there are a lot of potholes that need filled. We should call Shelly and get an account set up with them so we can get cold patch whenever we need it.

Gary made a motion to approve the purchase from Precision Overhead of insulated doors for the street building not to exceed \$6,000 to be paid from the street fund. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Discussed the need for a Finance Committee meeting.

Business from the Finance Committee – didn't meet

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

Old Business – None

New Business – JoAnn brought up an issue of a trash truck went off road into Doug Hite's yard and left ruts. She also said there's a place where trash has been left for 3 weeks after people moved out.

Mary asked Aaron to put a note on the next water bill that says "If you have a live water well on your property, please contact the village office."

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy