

Village of Thurston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
April 8, 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 - present
Garry Boring – present	Lowell Hite – present	1OPEN council seat
Mary Boring, Mayor – present	Aaron Reedy, Clerk – present	

No visitors were present to speak.

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

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

Second 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.

Robert made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance # 2015-6, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1(A) (METER RATES), 1(B)(MINIMUM CHARGES/MINIMUM SCHEDULE OF RATES), AND 1(F)(TEMPORARY USERS) OF ORDINANCE 9-24-89 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Jimmy second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 2015-6, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1(A) (METER RATES), 1(B)(MINIMUM CHARGES/MINIMUM SCHEDULE OF RATES), AND 1(F)(TEMPORARY USERS) OF ORDINANCE 9-24-89 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Jimmy second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Robert was concerned that we notify the residents of the increase in water rates.

Jimmy made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance # 2015-7, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2015 APROPRATIONS ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 2015-7, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2015 APROPRATIONS ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**Business from Fire Chief -**

Chief Jim Hite was present and submitted his report. He discussed the need for a new generator at the fire house and the possible funding through CDBG. Jimmy made a motion to approve the submission of an application for a generator at the Fire Department through the CDBG as a secondary project request. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Chief Hite and council discussed community para-medicine and the possibility of moving the accounting responsibilities entirely to either the township or the village to save money. Aaron is to call Twp. Clerk Lynne Kraner to discuss options.

**Business from the Safety Committee** – didn't meet

**Business from the Service Committee** – Garry said he got a quote from Tim's Tree Service in Newark to remove the 9 trees from the cemetery for \$4,000. He will chip, remove all debris, and grind stumps. Robert made a motion to accept the quote for \$4,000 from Tim's Tree Service for the removal of 9 trees in the cemetery. Jimmy second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry said we got a quote from Sam's Pest Control to do mosquito spraying in the Village this year. It's \$165 per spraying (up \$15.00 from previous years). Jimmy made a motion to accept the quote from Sam's Pest Control for mosquito spraying in the Village for \$165 per spray. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Discussed changing the water agreement form to document the need for property owners to repair any leaks within a reasonable amount of time. Some had questions about it, and it was decided to look further into the need for that rule.

Garry said Randy Kemmerer is going to fix the potholes throughout the Village. We have an account with Shelly Company.

**Business from the Finance Committee** – The water rate ordinance that was previously passed during this meeting was the only business to bring forward.

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

**Old Business** – Mary is going to call for status of the door repairs at the street building. Mary said the water contract with Pleasantville has been sent to the Solicitor for review. Lowell said an alarm went off at the water plant. Probably got hit by lightning. Mary said the generator is not installed yet. Mary said Rock River was going to put the new valve in, but couldn't because of weather. It should be sometime next week.

**New Business** – Aaron announced that budget numbers for 2016 need to be in by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Mary said it was inspection time by the insurance company and the playground area needs mulched. Council approved Mary to shop around and get it. EFI has asked for Certificate of Substantial Completion for their part of the project as of 12/17/2014. Jimmy made a motion to approve. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

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Aaron Reedy