

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present JoAnn Hite – present Jimmy Barber JR – absent
 Scott Whited – present Lowell Hite – present Heather Baker - present
 Mary Boring, Mayor – present Aaron Reedy, Clerk – present

Mary asked if any visitors wished to speak. Joanna Knavel was present. She explained her property at 2205 Main St. had a leak back in January, causing over 16,000 gallons of water to leak. She is asking for a credit for the sewer. Aaron said he will take her request to the Walnut Creek Sewer District for consideration. She provided pictures of the fitting that was broken. Aaron said our office would get to her by Friday.

Robert made a motion to approve the February 2018 meeting minutes. Scott seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the February 2018 financial statement. Scott second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2018-8 - A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Mayor And Clerk-Treasurer To Execute A First Amendment To The Joint Agreement Between The Board Of Trustees Of Walnut Township, Ohio And The Village Of Thurston, Ohio For Fire Protection And EMS Services And Declaring An Emergency. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried

Robert made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-8 - A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Mayor And Clerk-Treasurer To Execute A First Amendment To The Joint Agreement Between The Board Of Trustees Of Walnut Township, Ohio And The Village Of Thurston, Ohio For Fire Protection And EMS Services And Declaring An Emergency. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

First Reading - Ordinance 2018-10 – An Ordinance, Following A Vacancy In The Office Of Village Clerk-Treasurer, To Combine The Duties Of Village Clerk And Village Treasurer Into The Appointed Office Of Village Fiscal Officer.

Business from Fire Chief - Chief Jim Hite was present and passed out his report. Robert made a motion to approve PO's requested in the Chief's reports and supplemental report. Heather seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Aaron asked Chief Hite about the BWC Grant awarded for the Washer/Extractor. Chief said he would work with Aaron on the financing procedures.

Aaron asked Chief Hite about a \$71.65 charge on the credit card from Longhorn Tactical. Aaron cannot find a PO that was approved for it. Jim said he would check it out and get back to him.

Business from the Safety Committee – No business to bring forward.

Business from the Service Committee – No business to bring forward.

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 – Aaron said he sent out proposal requests to trash haulers for next year & after. The bids are due in the office by June 6, 2018.

Aaron said the water operator contract with Pleasantville expires in June. He’s been in contact with their mayor and clerk, and their council is reviewing it.

Aaron said he got an offer from the Audit People for a one-time easement payment of \$7,100 for the water line subsurface crossing. We have been paying at least \$600 a year for the last few years, and it gets higher every year. Lowell made a motion to accept the proposal for a \$7,100 one-time easement payment from the Audit People and pay it from the water fund. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve Change Order #1. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Robert made a motion to approve Change Order #2. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Jimmy made a motion to approve Change Order #3. Heather seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

New Business – Mary thanked Jamie Carroll for all the work he’s been doing around the Village. Mary thanked Garry Boring for all the maintenance work he’s been doing around the municipal building.

Robert made a motion to accept a lawn-mowing proposal from C&C Lawncare (Jamie Carroll) for the 2018 season. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Evan Martin from the Fire Department discussed the Explorer’s Program he wants to start at the Fire Department. He said the Charter would cost \$44. Each explorer would pay \$24. They need 5 advisors that will be background-checked. The age limit is that they must be above 8th grade. However, they can have “tag along” explorers at lower ages. They will become members of the Boy Scouts. The program is completely covered by the Boy Scout insurance. Scott made a motion to support Evan Martin’ endeavors to start an Explorer’s Program at the Fire Department. Lowell seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy