

## VILLAGE of COMMERCIAL POINT

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

June 18<sup>th</sup> 2012

7:00 P.M.

President Kuzelka called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer Hastings took roll call with the following members present: Mr. Shelton, Ms. Gooden-Kinney, Mr. Wissinger, Mr. Kuzelka, Mr. Cruz and Mr. Thompson. Mayor Hammond, Solicitor Crites and Engineer Grosse were also in attendance.

Ms. Gooden-Kinney made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve the May 21, 2012 COW Minutes. All members of Council were in favor with the exception of Mr. Cruz who abstained. The motion passed.

Solicitor's Report – Solicitor Crites reported the contract with Country Connections has been signed and the original document is in the Municipal Office. We are looking to have everything in place by the end of June 2012.

Mayor's Report – Nothing to report.

Engineer's Report – Engineer Grosse reported the fence at WSG will be done this week. Trudeau Fencing is the contractor. Engineer Grosse will be attending the Scioto Township Trustee meeting this coming Wednesday night to present the proposed plan for the walk path from Walker Point. The paving project will have a bid opening this Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the Municipal Building. There are currently 9 bid packs out. The contracts with bid documents are Decker Construction, Roese Brothers, KMC Paving, The Shelly Company, Columbus Asphalt Paving Inc., Strawser Paving, Chemcote, G & J Paving and Cox Paving. Engineer Grosse said we are at the next step for a new well field on the Lehman property. Mayor Hammond will be signing the application to move forward. Possible cost will be between \$ 25,000 - \$ 30,000. As for the WWTP, the brush rotor is on schedule to be delivered mid July. He also said the EPA review went very well. Chestnut Estates were to put sidewalks in by the "tot lot" last Fall. This did not happen and they were given an extension to this Spring. Engineer Grosse reported the sidewalks are now completed. He said there is standing water in some areas of asphalt and he will be addressing this issue with the developer. Southern Point is making changes on the condo side of the development. Engineer Grosse will review with Superintendent Thompson to make sure everything meets our requirements as for the water and sewer lines. At this time, Mr. Cruz asked if the WWTP was still in jeopardy of being fined. Engineer Grosse said there was no mention of fines in the review and feels we are in good standing. Mr. Cruz also asked if there were any costs to the Village in regards to Southern Point. Engineer Grosse said no. Mr. Thompson asked for a total cost on the fence at WSG. Engineer Grosse said the total was \$ 1,660 and cedar wood would be used.

Committee reports

**Street and roads** – No report

**Safety** – Mr. Thompson informed Council that he would be attending the Trustee meeting with Engineer Grosse this coming Wednesday to present the proposed walk path from Walker Point. Mr. Cruz recommended placing lights on both ends and in the middle of the path for security. At this time, Trustee Struckman asked if he may say a few things. He reported that Chief Welch of the Fire Department was upset that Mr. Thompson and Engineer Grosse were on the department's property without notifying anyone they were there. He said Chief Welch and Mr. Thompson had a disagreement on the proposed walk path and he would rather another member of the Safety Committee attend the meeting on Wednesday. He does not want to have any conflicts at the Township meeting on Wednesday and feels that this would be a good idea. Mr. Thompson said Mr. Grosse will be the one presenting the information to the Trustees. Mr. Cruz, Mr. Shelton and Solicitor Crites said they would attend the Township meeting on behalf of the Village. Ms. Gooden-Kinney asked Engineer Grosse for his explanation of the disagreement and he said he would not be choosing sides and just wants to do what is best for the Village. Engineer Grosse said he would have a better plan drawn up including lights for the meeting on Wednesday. Mr. Kuzelka informed Trustee Struckman that the Street Committee would be contacting Chief Welch on surveying First Street and the area on Harsh Alley in front of the fire station. Mr. Thompson reported he is doing some further investigating on the flashing stop signs. When he first spoke to ODOT, he was told he could not put up the signs because the intersections did not meet all of the criteria for flashing signs. He has since spoke to a Supervisor for District 6 who is willing to work with the Village. One of the stipulations would be that the Village would have to take responsibility of the signs. Mr. Thompson is waiting to hear back from ODOT with 100% approval and a possible agreement. At this time, Ms. Gooden-Kinney voiced her concerns with residents in WSG putting portable basketball poles in the street on Grove Run Road. Children are playing basketball in the streets and she is very concerned with the safety of the children. Ms. Gooden-Kinney was told this was an item that needed to be addressed by the Police Department and she needed to inform the Chief of her concerns.

**Utilities** - Ms. Gooden-Kinney distributed minutes from the May 14, 2012 Utility meeting.

**Zoning** – No report

**Finance** – Mr. Wissinger said a meeting was held and items discussed were next year's budget, Worker's Comp, internal control issues and miscellaneous items.

New rules for agendas – Mr. Kuzelka informed Council that he would like to see Committee Reports on the COW Agenda as well as the Regular Council Meeting Agendas.

At this time, Zoning Inspector, Gary Griesenbrock addressed a few items with Council. He mentioned he would like to see the budget for mowing grass increased in next year's budget to approximately \$ 2,000 - \$ 2,500. He said the \$ 500 that is appropriated is not enough. He has already spent \$ 250 of it on 2 properties. He would also like to see the policy changed on the number of days he needs to wait to take action on tall grass. Right now the rule says 7 days, he would like to see 5 days. Solicitor Crites said he would look into the zoning laws of the Village.

The Zoning Committee will also be getting involved. Engineer Grosse will be getting a copy of a map showing what ditches are property of the Village. Mr. Kuzelka said the Roads Committee will look into getting the ditches cleaned out that are in need of it.

Mr. Scott O'Neil of 121 Yukon Dr. informed Council that a STOP sign at the intersection of Alberta and Edmonds Drive has been ran over. He would like to see it replaced. Village Administrator Crites and Mayor Hammond will take care of this issue.

Zoning Inspector Griesenbrock informed Council that the intersection of South Alley and West Alley has bushes that are distracting the view of drivers. He would like to see the bushes trimmed back at 9 Main St. Mr. Cruz asked that Chief Jordan take a look and make a recommendation to Council.

Mr. Cruz has asked for an update on the conditions of the traffic/street signs in the Village. Village Administrator Crites asked if a report at the next Council Meeting would be OK. Mr. Cruz said that would be great. Village Administrator Crites to work with Mayor Hammond and Chief Jordan on a report of the signs.

Mr. Kuzelka informed Council of the letter the Council received from Jason Lawless. Mr. Lawless is running for Sherriff in November and would like to come and introduce himself at a Council Meeting. Fiscal Officer Hastings is to send a letter to Mr. Lawless giving him the dates of the next Regular Meeting and the next COW Meeting to see if either one of these dates works for him.

Mr. Cruz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

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Jim Kuzelka, President of Council

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Wendy L. Hastings, Fiscal Officer