

VILLAGE OF COMMERCIAL POINT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

July 15, 2013

Ms. Gooden-Kinney called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer Hastings took roll call with the following members present: Ms. Evans, Mr. Shelton, Mr. Thompson, Ms. Gooden-Kinney and Mr. Wissinger. Mayor Hammond and Solicitor Hess were also in attendance. Mr. Cruz was absent.

Mr. Shelton made a motion, seconded by Ms. Evans to approve the June 17, 2013 COW minutes with the correction to the spelling of Ms. Gooden-Kinney's name in the first sentence. All members were in favor. The motion passed.

Solicitor Hess said he had a preliminary meeting with Engineer Grosse regarding the closing of a few alleys in Commercial Point. He said there will need to be some legal steps taken to completely vacate an alley way. Engineer Grosse and Solicitor Hess will be providing a map of the proposed alleys. Since there will be legal and engineering fees associated with the vacating of the alleys, Solicitor Hess wants to make sure all of Council is in favor of moving forward with this project. More information will be provided at the next Regular Council meeting.

Mayor Hammond had not report however wanted to mention our Police Department, Sergeant Murphy, Officer Kelly and Officer Barna, worked in a joint task force over the weekend to capture burglar suspects. All suspects were caught and properly imprisoned. Great Job!

At this time, Mr. Thompson said he was still working on what he would like to see as a dedication to Mr. Parmenter on the newly installed walk path. He has looked at several options and would like Council's input. Mr. Shelton said he saw a very nice sign on the older part of Foxfire Golf Course. He said he would take a picture of it and email it to Mr. Thompson. Mr. Thompson said the Men's Club has one listing the people who donated to the shelter house fund. He said it is bronze in

color and looks nice. Mr. Thompson suggested setting a plaque in concrete at one of the ends of the path to help stop vandalism. Another idea he had was to put a plaque in a boulder at the end of the path. Ms. Gooden-Kinney liked that idea, however Mr. Shelton liked the placing in concrete idea taking note of placement due to snow and ice removal. More discussion to follow.

Mr. Thompson said he was approached by a few residents concerning the possibility of the Village allowing golf carts on the streets. He said he has spoken with staff at the Mayor of Circleville's office and they said it was pretty successful for them. Mr. Thompson said Circleville offered their assistance as far as documents in how their ordinance was written and the different rules and regulations that are associated with it. He said the State of Ohio also has certain guidelines that would have to be followed. Ms. Gooden-Kinney said the law states golf carts are not allowed on state highways. Mr. Thompson said if they can't go on state highways, then they can't go on state highways. He doesn't feel that would be Council's concern. Mr. Shelton said if we were to pass an ordinance, wouldn't that in fact make it Council's concern. Solicitor Hess said it would be up to our local police department to enforce the laws. Solicitor Hess said he has all the regulations for the ordinance. He wrote Laurelville's for them. Mr. Thompson said looking at the ordinance that Circleville created, there are certain steps that have to be taken including inspection of the golf cart and a permit issued. Fees would be collected. Mr. Wissinger asked if other types of motorized vehicles would be allowed, example being a 6 wheeler. Solicitor Hess said Circleville's Ordinance only allows golf carts. More discussion to follow.

Mr. Shelton feels Council still needs a Zoning Committee. Ms. Gooden-Kinney agrees and asked how Council wanted to move forward with this. After some discussion, Mr. Thompson volunteered to be the third member of this committee. Ms. Gooden-Kinney said the discussion left off in the "meat and potatoes" section last year and needs to have Engineer Grosse's input from here on out. Mr. Shelton and Mr. Thompson asked Ms. Gooden-Kinney for copies of the latest revision of the zoning ordinance.

Mr. Thompson asked about the status of the Roads Committee. Mr. Wissinger said they were finished with projects for this year. Solicitor Hess said there was no need to disband the Committee at this point.

Mr. Thompson asked for an update on the JEDD. Solicitor Hess said the next step is the Public Hearing that is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on August 5, 2013.

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

Kimberly Gooden-Kinney, President of Council

Wendy Hastings, Fiscal Officer