

**Village of Commercial Point
Special Council Meeting
January 18, 2016**

Mayor Joiner called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer Hastings took roll call with the following members present: Mr. Laxton, Mr. Geiger, Mr. Sadler, Ms. Evans, Mr. Townsend, and Mr. O'Neil. Solicitor Hess and Chief Jordan were also in attendance.

Mr. Laxton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sadler to suspend the procedural rules. All members approved. The motion passed.

Mayor Joiner made a suggestion that a Finance Committee needs to be established. He said Fiscal Officer Hastings talked to the auditor's office and we are cleared to start talking about the budget and getting it approved. Mr. Sadler asked when it was due. Fiscal Officer Hastings said we can start working on it right away. Mr. Sadler asked when the final cut off is. Fiscal Officer Hastings said April 1, 2016 she has to have final numbers. Ms. Evans said she has been a part of the Finance Committee for three years and would like to be a part of it. Mr. Geiger said he would like to be a part of it. Mr. Sadler would also like to be a part of it. Mr. Sadler would like to open it to the public and other council members. Ms. Evans said they like to keep it tight in the beginning just until the committee gets through it and then will bring it back to present for recommendations.

Mayor Joiner made a recommendation of creating a Safety Committee. He said it should entail Police, Road, Signage. Fiscal Officer Hastings said last year it was considered a Public Utility Committee Meeting and they would meet at the Village office prior to the regular council meetings at 6:00. It included sidewalks, streets, and Police. Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Townsend and Mr. Laxton volunteered to join the committee. Mr. Sadler asked them to try and identify the road and sign needs early. Mr. Joiner said that is his recommendation for committees and opened it up for discussion. Mr. Sadler recommended creating a Developmental Zoning Committee. Last year they got through 1/3 of the book which is progress and he would like to see it continued. Mr. Sadler asked for volunteers. Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Townsend and Mr. Sadler volunteered. Mayor Joiner asked Mr. Geiger for any suggestions. Mr. Geiger said most everything is combined into the Public Safety Meeting but they should all be together. He said usually roads are separate and has been in the past; but it makes sense to combine them. Mr. Laxton thinks the Public Safety Committee including sidewalks and roads is good. Ms. Evans agrees it makes sense but it is a lot for the committee. Mayor Joiner verified with Fiscal Officer Hastings that they do need to vote on the committees. Fiscal Officer Hastings said yes there needs to be a motion and a second on each committee and also would like each to set up their first date for a meeting. She has all the numbers back from the auditor's office and if there is a project she would like to get it in the budget now.

Ms. Evans made a motion to create a Finance Committee consisting of Ms. Evans, Mr. Geiger and Mr. Sadler. Mr. Geiger seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

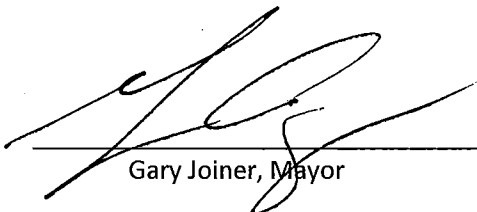
Mr. Sadler made a motion to create a Safety Committee consisting of Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Townsend, and Mr. Laxton. Seconded by Mr. Laxton. All in favor, motion passed.

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Mr. Townsend made a motion to create a Zoning Committee consisting of Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Townsend, and Mr. Sadler. Seconded by Mr. O'Neil. All in favor, motion passed.

Ms. Evans asked if the Public Safety Committee would like for John Grosse to join the committee because he had some ideas about the roads and sidewalks coming into this year. Mr. O'Neil asked if they can have a meeting at 6:00 before the next Regular Council Meeting. Mr. O'Neil understands some meetings will take more time but this is a start and Mr. Grosse can be there. Fiscal Officer Hastings said the first regular meeting will be February 1 at 6:00pm. She also asked that someone provide her with one-week notice prior to the meeting so she can post it due to it being a public meeting. She also asked each committee nominate a Chairperson to take minutes. In the past several years minutes were not taken and they need to be on file. February 1, 2016 6:00pm is the first Safety Committee. Mr. Sadler asked if Saturdays are open for the Finance Committee. Ms. Evans will need to check her schedule; Mr. Geiger can take off work but Fiscal Officer Hastings is not available the first two Saturdays of February. Mr. Sadler asked to meet Monday January 25, 2016. Ms. Evans said she does not feel they should meet until the 2016 budget complete. Mr. Sadler asked Mayor Joiner if they have looked at their 2016 budget. Fiscal Officer Hastings said Mayor Joiner and she are ready to present the budget with the exception there is nothing in for street or sidewalks. She said out of the 2011 fund she does have money in there for streets because the storm drain money was able to be split. Finance Committee will meet January 25, 2016 at 7:00pm. Mr. Sadler said it will take about 1-2 hours to explain how Zoning is structured. Fiscal Officer Hastings will place a copy of the existing Zoning ordinance in the Zoning Committee mailboxes. Mr. Sadler said last year it was divided up into sections but everyone reads it and comes back with recommendations. Once submitted they are presented to council. The Zoning Committee will meet February 8, 2016 at 7:00pm.

Mr. Laxton asked if they are discussing Westport Homes. Mayor Joiner said not tonight. Mayor Joiner is meeting with representatives from Westport Homes this week. Solicitor Hess will provide an update during the COW Meeting. Mr. Sadler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Laxton. All in favor. The meeting adjourned.



Gary Joiner, Mayor



Wendy Hastings, Fiscal Officer