

Belle Center Village Council January 13 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the December , 2008 meeting was suspended. Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dave Rose and Gary McKenzie from First United Presbyterian Church and Dean Horn and Jeff Snap from Habitat for Humanity were present . Mr. Rose and Mr. McKenzie were interested in getting the Mayor and Council's support for a Mission project from the Church which was to build a house for a family in the Village in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity.

A history of Habitat was presented by Mr. Horn and Mr. Snap. In addition they reviewed the parameters and income guidelines for qualifying for a house to be built by Habitat.

The Mayor said that a committee comprised of residents that are eager to encourage and support a Habitat project in Belle Center will be appointed once the Habitat group is ready to move forward.

Dione Campbell made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss possible purchase of Real Estate. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

After some discussion the Executive Session was adjourned and returned to the regular session.

Ralph Hall made a motion to continue reimbursing the 3 full time employees \$ 68.00 per month for insurance costs through the year 2009. Seconded by Dione Campbell. Roll Call : All Ayes . Motion passed.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to elect Dustin Plikerd as President Pro-Tempore of Council for the year 2009. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

Ralph Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed. Ordinance 2009-01 is an Ordinance authorizing the posting of " No Trespassing " signs at the Water Tower.

Ralph Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston presented her State of the Village report:

Village started the year 2008 with a total cash balance of	\$ 576,622
Revenue	\$ 663,826
Expenditures	\$ 696,322
Balance , December 31 , 2008	\$ 544,127

During 2008 the Village spent just over \$ 102,000 to repair the water tower and install a fence around the tower. We also purchased two deep well pumps at the Water Plant at a cost of \$ 22,000.

Budget for the year 2009:

Beginning cash balance	\$ 544,127
Projected Revenue	\$ 598,640
Projected Expenditures	\$ 702,125
Estimated cash balance at December 31 , 2009	\$ 440,542

- The Mayor thanked the Fiscal Officer for doing a commendable job in forecasting the Village Budget and making sure that the Village is in the most favorable Financial position possible.

Some Goals of the Mayor over the next 3 years:

- 1.) Address the situation of no sidewalks and poor condition of some .
- 2.) Utilize wind turbine technology in the Village to cover electrical expense.
- 3.) Come up with ideas to obtain more businesses in the Village.
- 4.) Improvement projects to beautify the Village.
- 5.) Make downtown area a more community involvement area.
- 6.) Obtain grants to help with costs of these projects.

Village Administrator presented a list of tentative projects for the year 2009:

- 1.) Repair water Tower leg foundations
- 2.) Park Repairs
- 3.) Repair and/or replace drain basins
- 4.) Resurface Woolly Road
- 5.) Tar and chip alleys (County Sales tax funds)
- 6.) Remove and replace trees
- 7.) Try to find a solution in order to repair curbs
- 8.) Install flag poles in Village
- 9.) Paint Village Building
- 10.) Paint Streets
- 11.) Repair and paint street signs
- 12.) Make decision on future of Haley Building
- 13.) The target on the water tower is not working and will need repaired or replaced.
- 14.) Brought up list of items which could be sold to the Village at a reduced price. Dustin Plikerd advised against it . The Fire Department had purchased some items from the vendor and most of the items were not name brand and most of the equipment would not be used.

Fiscal Officer indicated he would be preparing tax returns for low income and elderly through AARP at no cost. He indicated that one major change for Federal taxes for 2008 was that Real Estate Taxes could be added to the Standard Deduction for people who do not itemize, The limit is \$500 for a single person and \$1,000 for a joint return.

The Administrator said that The American Legion Post said that they would pay for the renovations of the shelter house at the Village Park.

Dione Campbell made a motion to authorize the American Legion to make renovations on the shelter. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston appointed a committee to review the future of the Haley Building and report back to Council with their recommendations. The chair is Dustin Plikerd and the other members are Teresa Johnston , Gerald Houchin , Garnet Roebuck , and Rhonda Fulmer.

Fiscal Officer said that the Year End reports have been completed and that the required notice was published in the paper that the reports were available for anyone interested in reviewing them.

Rhonda Fulmer reported on the following items:

- 1.) The Tree Commission met on December 29 , 2008 and made plans for 2009 including Arbor Day activities. Next meeting will be on March 30. The State Urban Foresters are having classes in Findlay and St. Marys.
- 2.) On January 15 the Friends of the Library will have a meeting at 6:30 and if anyone is interested please call the Library to get additional information.
- 3.) We need to support the local businesses such as the Belle Center Market who has been putting out flyers with specials on them.
- 4.) Would be nice to call Frank Harrod & Shawn McDonald since they were both injured on the job.
- 5.) Do we have a cap for overtime hours for plowing , etc. ? The answer is that we have no cap but

it is reviewed and we have no choice but to plow. If the plowing is excessive then we will have to cut expenses somewhere else. We will use Charles Sullivan as much as possible which reduces our overall cost for plowing. Dustin Plikerd said he would plow.

- 6.) Said that the Mayor should be advised if we need to bring someone in to help due to the budget restraints.

With no further business before Council Ralph Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by John Lowery . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

W.B. McEnrich
Fiscal Officer

James Johnson
Mayor

2/10/09

Belle Center Village Council February 10 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the January , 2009 meeting was suspended. Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dustin Plikerd . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Ralph Hall . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston expressed her concern about the economy and the impact that it might have on the finances of the Village. The impact of layoffs and fewer hours will not be felt until April and early May when the first quarter withholding of the income tax will be received and the appropriation budget will have been approved prior to that time. When we look at spending the question has to be asked whether it is really necessary at this time. The Fiscal Officer also indicated that people are not driving as much and the gas taxes could be affected.

The Mayor also indicated that if the economy does not improve that we may have to decide that the Village can not afford to have part-time employees in addition to the full time employees. The Mayor also said that we need to make sure that we do not spend money on projects which can be delayed. The Fiscal Officer also expressed concern that more people could get behind on utility payments which could affect the Fund balances for them. In summary the Mayor just wanted everyone to be aware of her concerns.

The Fiscal Officer indicated that the Village Administrator had a company look at the target on the water tower and there is an E-Mail that has an estimate between \$ 20,000 and \$ 25,000 to fix the target and run the system such as turning the water pumps on and off . The Mayor said that the problem with the target freezing should not have to be addressed until Fall.

The Fiscal Officer indicated that the furnace for the office had to be repaired this past week and that it was the second time in a short period of time that a part had to be replaced, The representative from Alliance indicated that a new furnace would cost between \$ 3,000 and \$ 4,000. There was some discussion about the possibility of getting a used furnace .

The Fiscal Officer passed out fund balance activities and indicated that the report reflects the loan payment made on the EPA loan of \$ 69,021.59 and indicated that we should receive between \$ 30,000 and \$ 40,000 in late February or early March from the Real Estate payment.

Other Business:

Rhonda Fulmer said that she and John Lowery went to a seminar sponsored by the LUC Regional Planning Commission and there was some discussion regarding upcoming seminars and that there was no charge to attend the seminars . They both felt that the seminar was beneficial. Other seminars will be held on February 18 , March 18 and April 15.

Rhonda gave Council Members the list of trees to be cut down and planted as prepared by Gerald Houchin. She asked them to look at it and if they had any recommendations let Gerald know before the next tree committee which will be held on Monday , March 30. The Mayor appointed Rhonda Fulmer and herself to the Belle Center Tree Commission. All Council persons approved the appointments.

Rhonda brought up the subject of possibly entering a contract in the future with the Sheriff's Department.

With no further business before Council Ralph Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by John Lowery . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

W.B. McConner
Fiscal Officer

Teresa Johnston 3/10/09
Mayor

Belle Center Village Council March 10 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the February , 2009 meeting was suspended. Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Ralph Hall . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Ralph Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Ordinance 2009-01 is an Ordinance approving the permanent Appropriation Budget in the amount of \$ 675,709.02 for the year 2009. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Ralph Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. After some discussion the Roll Call was made: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dione Campbell made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Ordinance 2009-02 is an Ordinance establishing a Video Service Provider Fee in the Village at 3.0% which is the current franchise fee being charged on cable service in the Village. This Ordinance is required due to a change in the Ohio Revised Code effective September 24,2007.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston brought up the issue whether the Spring Cleanup scheduled for this year should be suspended due the financial situation. There was some discussion about the cost and benefits of having the cleanup.

Council person Fulmer made a motion to have one day pick up of yard waste on May 18 and June 15. There was no second of the motion. . Since there was no motion to suspend the Spring cleanup the Council decided that the cleanup would take place from May 11 – 15.

Mayor Johnston brought up the possibility of applying for grants to possibly tear down the Haley Building and water tower automation. The Village Administrator has been in contact with an Engineering firm about the possibility of obtaining a grant for the water tower project. After some discussion it was decided that the attempts to obtain these grants should continue.

Mayor Johnston brought up that NTEC had communicated with her that the Water Tower should be inspected before the warranty of one year expires. Council members were of the impression that this should be done at no charge. The Village Administrator was directed to review the contract.

The mayor also brought the possibility of having a movie downtown this summer similar to the one held in West Liberty last year. The cost would be approximately \$ 700.00 for the rights and a screen would have to be made. She will continue with this and try to develop some fund raisers to obtain the necessary funds. Dustin Plikerd said that a new organization could be formed such as Belle Center Betterment Organization.

The Fiscal Officer passed out the Fund Summaries for the month of February and year to date. He indicated that the first payment on the loan from Union Banking Company was made in February.

Chris Schrader brought up the fact that the Robert Liles property at 107 E. Buckeye Street encroaches on Village property and that the property has been sold but closing cannot be finalized unless the Council passes an encroachment easement Ordinance. The encroachment is approximately one foot.

Ralph Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-03 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Dione Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Ordinance 2009-03 is an Ordinance granting an encroachment easement for the property located at 107 E. Buckeye Street.

Ralph Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-03 on its first and only reading. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Council person Fulmer asked about the Easter Egg Hunt and the Fiscal Officer said that it would be held on April 11 and she requested that that information be put on the Utility bills. She also indicated that there is a large limb which hangs over the wires and goes over Vine Street near Dione Campbell's house that needs cut down.

She also asked the Fiscal Officer whether he had applied for a grant for tree work and he indicated that he had sent an E-Mail to a State representative.

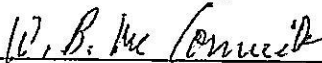
Councilperson Fulmer said she had talked to Alan Hale about the recycling site and he indicated that it looked good. Councilperson Plikerd asked if the Mayor had authority to sign a contract without prior approval of Council.

At that time the Fiscal Officer read the motion from the November meeting made by Councilperson Fulmer:

Rhonda Fulmer made a motion to go forward with this proposal for the Village of Belle Center to enter into an agreement with Solid Waste Management for a recycling drop off center to be put in Belle Center.

Mayor Johnston asked the Solicitor for his interpretation and the Solicitor said that it was a contract.

With no further business before Council Ralph Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:00 P. M.


Fiscal Officer


Mayor

Belle Center Village Council April 14 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the March , 2009 meeting was suspended. Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Ralph Hall . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Dee McIntosh spoke before Council and said she wanted to start a food pantry in Belle Center and asked if there were any problems and she was assured that there were no problems. It was indicated that the Village could legally donate to the Food Pantry.

Deputy Brown from the Logan County Sheriff's Department was present to see what problems the Village have.

The issue of 4 wheelers being operated in the village was mentioned and Deputy Brown indicated that the Department had a program in place to track habitual offenders. He indicated that the first time an individual was stopped would result in a warning and subsequent violations would result in citations.

Also mentioned was some vandalism which had occurred in the Township Park. Village Administrator asked for assistance in catching the vandals.

Deputy Brown was asked about Golf Carts being driven in the Village and whether an Ordinance was required. Deputy Brown said that an Ordinance was required and that a license and inspection was also required. Solicitor Schrader indicated that an Ordinance was not required. After much discussion Councilman Lowery read the Ohio Revised Code on the matter and it was determined that an incorporated area must enact an Ordinance to allow golf carts to legally be operated within the incorporated area.

Councilmen Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-04 on its first and only reading. Ordinance 2009-04 Authorizes the operation of licensed , insured and inspected golf carts in the Village of Belle Center. Seconded by Councilwomen Roebuck. Roll Call: 5 Ayes , Councilwoman Fulmer abstained from the vote.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-04 Authorizing Golf Carts in the village on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Speeding in the Village was also mentioned to Deputy Brown especially during the times that people go to work and return home.

Mayor Johnston brought up the renewal of the lease with Patton Farms which was due for renewal.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to renew the lease with Patton Farms to farm land on S. Elizabeth. The lease is for 3 years at an annual fee of \$ 110.00 to be paid by November 15 th. of each crop year. Seconded Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston suggested that a letter go out with the water bills regarding spring clean up for village residents (only) which will be May 11- May 15. Councilperson Fulmer had some guidelines to be listed . Discussion was held regarding setting a schedule and it was decided that the employees would pick up in the whole Village , time permitting. Yard waste should be separated from other items.

Mayor Johnston asked council for a decision on the water tower inspection. It had been recommended by Nelson Engineering to have the tower inspected before the end of the 1 year warranty period. There are two proposals prepared by Nelson Engineering. One was for a visual inspection of the interior of the tank at a cost of \$ 1,900.00 from Nelson. The water tower would be down for approximately 4 days

which means the Village would incur addition cost during this time. The second proposal would be a ROV method at a cost of 2,250.00. After discussing the matter it was decided it would be best to protect the initial investment in the tower with the inspection of \$1,900 which requires the tower to be drained and visually inspected.

Councilman Hall made a motion allowing the village to hire Nelson Eng to perform the \$1,900 visual inspection of the water tower.. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call:
All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston brought to the attention of council that they might want to put a temporary freeze or moratorium on anyone wanting to opt out of the current curbside trash pickup. At least until the recycling program is up and running and we know more what the effect recycling will have on our current curbside pickup. Council discussed the issue with opinions of both sides of the issue.
Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to put a temporary freeze on residents opting out of the curbside trash pickup. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.
Motion passed 5 Ayes 1 Nay. Councilman Plikerd being the only nay vote

Village Administrator reported on the following:

Finishing up on trees.

Ed Patterson is repairing the grinder pumps at \$ 25.00 compared to a quote of \$100.00 from the Lake Repair the tile under Buckeye St near Mayor Johnston's house that is clogged so that Leonard's Garage can tie into it.

Sweeping the streets with a rented bobcat.

Frank Harrod is working on getting his CDL

Will cost \$ 830 to run a lab test regarding asbestos in the Haley Building

Need a permit to demolish the building and asbestos problem will have to be addressed

After applying for a grant to help with the cost of the replacement of the target on the water tower and replacement of the meters the Administrator has been notified that it is looking at this point very good for the village and that it is very possible we may be awarded the grant.

Fix the legs on the water tower

Mayor Johnston reminded the Village Administrator that if anything is sold from the Haley Building that we must follow the Ohio Revised Code (\$1,000.00 or more requires bidding)

Mayor Johnston brought up that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages in the Village will expire and that the Village has the right to object to the renewal of permits. The Mayor asked the Council whether there were any objections to the renewals and there were none; therefore no additional action has to be taken by the Council.

Rhonda Fulmer mentioned that the Village Administrator should be contacted regarding wood which has been cut and is available for people to take. Arbor Day is April 25.

Councilwoman Fulmer also asked that we remind residents to always be respectful and courteous of their neighbors by not allowing their dogs to run loose. Councilwoman Fulmer also stated that she has had several complaints about litter and she would like to ask residents to be careful and prevent their trash from blowing in neighbors yards.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

W.B. McCormick
Fiscal Officer

5/12/09

Leonard Johnston
Mayor

Belle Center Village Council May 12 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the April, 2009 meeting was suspended. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	NO	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Matt Pennington from Summer Recreation spoke to Council regarding items need by Summer Recreation. The items listed were: New Home Plates, Field Liner and Dual Sport Canvas Catcher. After some discussion , Councilman Hall made a motion to donate \$ 1,000.00 to Summer Recreation for whatever needs they have. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell . Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	Abstained
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Vote – Yes – 6 since abstention is counted with the majority vote.

The Mayor brought up a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding a permit to be issued to Anita Legge DBA Main Street Tavern. The Council had to respond to the notice as to whether they wanted to request a hearing or not, and not requesting a hearing indicated that the Council was not opposed to the permit being issued. Councilman Hall made a motion to authorize the Fiscal Officer to sign the notice indicating that the Council did not request a hearing. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

The Mayor indicated that Council needed to authorize 5 places in the Village to post Ordinances.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to post the Ordinances at the following locations in the Village: Village Building , Post Office , Union Bank , Library and Belle Center Market. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Councilman Plikerd said that the Building Committee would be meeting on Tuesday May 19 th. at 7:00 P.M, in the Council Chambers.

Village Administrator reported on the following items:

Route 273 will be paved by the State in 2010 and will be widened by 3 feet. Completion date is estimated to be August, 2010.

Regarding the Grant for the Water Tower and water meters the Administrator wanted to clarify his comments at the April meeting. The Village has not been notified that the Grant has been approved. The holes for the new flagpoles have been drilled

Reviewed the items of any value in the Haley Building – there are 3 radiators and steel file cabinets
The concrete at the Recycling site was poured today, May 12 th.

The Fiscal Officer reported on the following items:

Passed out a summary of the Fund Balances which indicated that the total balances of all the Funds had increased approximately \$ 10,000 since the beginning of the year. The Income tax receipts are approximately \$ 2,200 higher than the same period a year ago. The budgeted amount of \$ 80,000 for the year 2009 looks attainable. The audit for the years 2007 & 2008 was scheduled to start next week but the Fiscal Officer has not heard from the Auditors regarding a pre - audit meeting.

Other Items:

Councilwoman Campbell brought up the fact that 4-Wheelers were causing problems on her street. The operation of the 4 – Wheelers are throwing gravel on Vine Street and in yards. The dust is also bad. Councilwoman Campbell was advised to call the Sheriff's office on the residents' behalf or, better still, have them call.

Councilman Lowery said that yards of some vacant homes (Foreclosed Homes) need mowed and charge the banks that own the homes. Village Administrator indicated that a Realtor has to be involved before we can collect for the mowings; Fiscal Officer said that banks will not pay. The Administrator said he would have them mowed as soon as possible. Councilman Lowery asked if the legs on the water tower have been repaired and the Administrator said they would be once he could free have the employees. Councilman Lowery said the repairs should have been completed before the water tower was repaired. Councilman Lowery said that the catch basin at State & Vine streets needs cleaned out.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion for the Village to donate \$ 100.00 per month starting in June to the Belle Center Food Pantry being started by Dee McIntosh. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Councilman Plikerd said the donation would go a long way in getting the Food Pantry started.

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	Abstained
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Vote – Yes – 6 since abstention is counted with the majority vote.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that the people should be aware of the fact that the driveway around the water plant has been closed and asked whether signs should be put up. The Administrator said that the dirt piled along side the driveway going to the recycling site will be used to fill in the area and then grass will be planted.

Councilwoman Fulmer said it was suggested that the Village tries to get some of the community service workers to do some work in the Village. After some discussion it was decided that the supervision required would negate any advantages. She said that Alan Hale told her that the recycling site should open in 2 or 3 weeks if they do not get hit with any other problems and that an Oak tree was planted for Arbor Day. Bill McCormick attended the Tree City Awards Banquet on April 16 th. to receive the Tree City award for Belle Center. The next meeting of the Tree Committee will be on June 29 th, at 4:00 P.M.

Councilwoman Fulmer said she would like to make a motion for the Mayor to bring contracts to the Council for their review and approval before signing. She said it was due to some misunderstanding regarding a contract which had been signed by the Mayor (Recycling Contract).

The Mayor indicated that the Recycling Contract was not a financial contract therefore a dollar figure cannot be the determining factor for contracts that have to come to Council. The Mayor asked for the opinion of the Village Solicitor. The Solicitor said that Council had given the Mayor prior approval to enter into the Recycling Contract. The Mayor said she would bring all non-emergency contracts to Council for their review even if it took 2-3 hours to review.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion that before the Mayor signs any non emergency contract that it be brought before Council for their review and approval. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	NO
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	NO
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Motion passed: 4 – 2

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

W. B. Mc. Cormick
Fiscal Officer

L. S. Plikerd
Mayor

Date: 6/9/07

Belle Center Village Council June 9, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the May, 2009 meeting was suspended. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Council person Plikerd reported on the Building Committee meeting held on May 19 th, regarding the Haley Building. The recommendation of the committee was that the building be boarded up and have items removed until funds are available to demolish the building. Ralph Hall made a motion to demolish the Haley Building once funds become available. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

The Mayor reported on the following items:

The audit is in process. The Fiscal Officer indicated that the auditor's field work would be completed on Wednesday, June 10.

The tower legs are almost completed.

Everything is ready to proceed with the drain near the Library

The Mayor asked the Council whether they wanted the employees to continue mowing the abandoned properties in town. The Fiscal Officer said that the Village could possibly collect for this work once the property is put into the hands of a realtor. Ralph Hall made a motion to continue mowing the abandoned properties at the Village's cost. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

The Mayor brought up that 4 Council positions expire at the end of the year. The Council members whose terms expire are Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd. Petitions have to be turned in to the Logan County Election Board by 4:00 P.M. on August 20. The new location for the Election Board is 225 S. Main Street in Bellefontaine.

The Fiscal Officer passed out the fund balance report which indicated that our total fund balances have increased on a year to date basis but that he does not expect this to continue for the remainder of the year. The Fiscal Officer said he had received a report from Workers Compensation that Shawn McDonald has an estimated return date of August 15 th. The Fiscal Officer said that the Village Cleanup week cost about \$ 1,350. He also said that the grand opening of the recycling center will take place on Thursday, June 11 at 4:00 P.M.

Other Items:

There was some additional discussion about the demolition of the Haley Building and the Administrator said that when the time arrives that the Village will have to get a permit to tear the Building down.

Council person Fulmer brought up the following items:

Solid Waste Management would like to get volunteers to monitor the bins and vending machines in the mornings and evenings.

There were 3 TV's that have not been picked up and cannot be taken to the Landfill. TV's can be taken to "CHARM" at 407 Carter Avenue. This location is open the remainder of June and August and September on Wednesdays from 4:00 – 7:00 P.M. and Saturdays from 9:00 – Noon. There is a cost of \$ 10.00 for TV'S .

Some residents have expressed interest in her that a beautification award could be given to a resident who fix up their homes and yards. The Mayor stated that a committee should be formed so that they can set up the guidelines and then come back to Council with the proposed rules and at that time the Council could make a motion to donate funds to the committee. We want to make sure the award is fair to all residents. The Mayor instructed Council person Fulmer to form a committee consisting of her and two Village residents.

The Belle Center Fireworks Committee had contacted Council person Fulmer about a donation from the Village. Once the request for a donation is submitted in letter form the request will be considered at the next Council meeting.

Linda Elliott informed Council person Fulmer that the July 4th. parade will start forming at 11:00 A.M. at School Street and the parade will start at noon.

Council person Fulmer stated that we need to remind residents that they are ultimately responsible for their dogs. It was brought up that the Village does have a leash law and barking Ordinance.

The next meeting of the Tree City Committee will be on June 29th. at 4:00 P.M.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

W. B. Mc Cormick

Fiscal Officer

James Johnson

Mayor

Date: 6/9/2009

Belle Center Village Council July 14, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell, Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall.

Reading of the minutes from the June, 2009 meeting was suspended Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dione Campbell... Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Received a request from the Belle Center Fireworks Committee for a donation for fireworks. Councilman Lowery made a motion to donate \$ 1,000.00 to the Fireworks Committee for the 2010 fireworks. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Reports of Mayor:

The Mayor reported that John Ruble of 107 Torrence Street inappropriately turned off electricity to the Sewer grinder pumps of Steve and Leeann Porter of 105 Torrence Street resulting in interruption of electricity to the grinder pumps. The Village had to relocate the electric from the residence at 107 Torrence to 105 Torrence in an emergency action in order to maintain sewer service for 105 Torrence

The Mayor indicated that there were several others in the Village that we need to address. There are some critical ones now such as at 313 Charles Street which is being foreclosed on and others which we need to get the electric hooked up to a hookup which the Village controls .

The Mayor explained that in 2002 during the sewer project it was arranged with some (18) private property owners to use the electrical service of some private households. This was done because electrical service was not located in close proximity to the grinder pump. The Village made agreements with property owners that were involved and each month since the 2002 project each household involved has received a \$ 4 per month reduction in their sewer bill to cover the expense of the grinder pump electricity.

The Mayor also discussed the issue of youths hanging around downtown and that some vandalism had occurred at the K & K Dairy Corner. The Mayor has asked the Sheriff's office to enforce the curfew in place.

The Mayor said regarding the Recycling Center that if anyone notices that the bins are full that they should call the Village office and inform the Fiscal Officer or leave a message and it will be taken care of from there. The Mayor explained that it would be best and less interruption for the LCSW District if only one individual were to call and that way LCSW District did not receive multiple calls on the same issue. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that there will be a person at the site for the next month to answer any questions that people may have about using the site Monday – Saturday from 7 :00 AM - 7:00 PM.

Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that she had distributed 6 Volunteer Monitoring applications to monitor the Recycling Site to organizations within the Village.

The Mayor reminded the Council members that they cannot assign tasks to Village employees. Officers or sub contractors. The Mayor explained that Council only has authority within the confines of a "Council Meeting". The Mayor also explained that having multiple bosses was not a good situation for any employee.

Fiscal Officer reported on the following items:

The work on Wooley Road which will be financed 90% from the State Stimulus money will be completed very soon. The cost of the total project will be approximately \$ 1,500 than originally estimated last fall.

The estimate to chip and tar the alleys which the Village Administrator chose to do was \$ 18,900.70 for a total of 8 alleys. The amount that has been set aside from the County sales tax as of July 9 th. was \$ 23,228.00.

A representative from Western – Southern Life Insurance asked whether we could offer payroll deduction for employees to purchase life insurance at a group rate with no cost to the Village except to deduct and remit the premium to the company. There has to be at least 2 participants.

Ralph Hall made a motion to authorize the payroll deduction if there was interest. Seconded by John Lowery. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	YES
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

The audit has been completed by Taylor , Applegate & Hughes with no findings and has been sent to the State for their review.

The Village has received about \$ 70,000 for income tax against a budget of \$ 80,000 for the year and we could receive near \$ 90,000 for the year.

The Fiscal Officer indicated that the analysis of the Fund balances year to date shows an increase through June but that July will show a decrease due to the semi- annual payment for the EPA loan of \$ 69,000 plus. **He indicated that the actual results are in line with the budget.**

Other Business:

Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that the next Tree Committee meeting has been changed from August 31 to September 28 and that a walk will be conducted throughout the Village to see where trees should be planted. She also brought up the possibility of residents adopting a tree to be planted on the boulevard. Council woman Fulmer was advised to take the idea back to the Tree Committee and , once all the parameters have been determined to bring it back to Council for their review and action.

Council woman Fulmer asked whether we should have some recognition given to the Legion for the flag poles and electronic sign which they donated? The mayor said she would send a thank you to the Legion.

Council woman Fulmer said she had mentioned last month about broken glass in the windows in the Haley Building and nothing has been done. The Mayor said she would follow up with the Village Administrator and make sure we remove our equipment and board up the building.

Council woman Fulmer asked whether the Village Administrator had taken suggestions for what alleys should be chipped and tarred? The Mayor asked Council woman Campbell to call a meeting of the Street Committee and this subject plus others could be discussed.

Council woman Fulmer reminded Council that petitions for the 4 open positions have to be completed and turned in to the Board of Elections by 4 :00 P.M. on August 20.

Council woman Campbell said that the Street Committee would meet at 5:30 P.M. on July 21, 2009.

Council woman Roebuck said that Dan Bowers from Summer Recreation contacted her about putting up a concession building at the Village Park. Council man Plikerd thought that the building Summer Recreation had was too small and he recommended that it not be put up at the Park. The Mayor recommended that the Park Committee should meet and recommend long range Plans for the Village Park. The Fiscal Officer reminded the Council that budget time for next year was approaching so any improvements for the park need to be determined so that they can be budgeted.

With no further business before Council John Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

W. B. Mc Cormick
Fiscal Officer

James A. Johnston
Mayor

Date: 7/9/2009

Belle Center Village Council August 11, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell ,Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall. John Lowery was absent. Dustin Plikerd arrived late.

Reading of the minutes from the July, 2009 meeting was suspended Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell... Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES		

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES		

Corey Sullivan was present and provided an estimate to repair the walking track at Murray Griffin Park in the amount of \$ 1,569.20. There was some discussion regarding the repairs but no decision was made.

Councilman Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Resolution 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Resolution 2009-01 is a Resolution to cooperate with the Logan County Commissioners for a grant from the Special Ohio Public Works Commission Program for funds during the year 2010.

The streets to be paved are N. Elizabeth from School Street to Buckeye Street and Center Street From Buckeye to Maple Street. After some discussion Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pass Resolution 2009-01 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the Tree Committee meeting and said she would like to propose offering the residents a chance to adopt a tree to be planted in the Boulevard or in the Village Park. After some discussion it was decided that a message would be put in the utility bills regarding the program and if there was any interest for the residents to contact Councilwoman Fulmer at 464-3992 to obtain the details. The Walk around the Village scheduled for September 28 has been cancelled.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that a Park Committee meeting would be held on Thursday , August 20 at 6:30 P.M.

Reports of Mayor:

The Mayor said she wanted to talk about the tree overrun against the budget . Before getting into how the overrun happened the Mayor said that starting next year around February that anyone wishing to have trees trimmed , cut , or planted must talk to the Village Administrator who will get up to 3 estimates. The budget will control how much can be done and the Administrator will make the decisions regarding what work will be done. We do not want anyone telling the tree people what to do ; this is the Administrator's responsibility.

The reason for this is that the tree cost for this year will be in excess of \$ 12,000 compared to a budget of \$ 3,000.

We cannot fix this year only the future. Several people talked to Mr. Hull and due to this additional work the total cost for the year will be in excess of \$ 12,000. The Mayor said that she approved the cutting of the tree at the property at 301 E.Vine Street (Cost of \$ 650.00). Councilman Plikerd said that if the Administrator did not approve the work done by Hull that we should not pay the bill. The Administrator said that the work that was done was needed .

The Fiscal Officer indicated that we had the bill from Hull Tree to be paid and said he would need approval to transfer funds around in order to pay the bill.

Council woman Campbell made a motion to give the Fiscal Officer authority to transfer funds around so that the bill to Hull Trees could be paid. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	NO		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

After the vote Councilwoman Fulmer said she had been asked by residents to check dead limbs hanging over Charles Street and a tree at 317 E. Main that might be infested with termites. There was some discussion about the fact that Councilwoman Fulmer had voted against paying the bill to Hull Tree and now wanted more tree work done. Councilwoman Fulmer said she would agree to paying for work done if these situations would be considered emergencies and that she was only asking that the items be checked out.

The Mayor said that there was enough discussion held on this subject and the motion to pay the bill had passed. The Mayor stated that if there were more questions to meet with the Village officers after the meeting.

Village Administrator:

The Administrator reported on the following items:

The alleys will be surfaced this week.

Wooley Road will be paved next week.

The inspection of the water tower will be put on Nelson Engineering's schedule this Friday (8/14) and will be done week after next. The tower will be down 3-4 days.

The windows are all boarded up at the Haley Building. Dave Keller said he would let us store our stuff in his building at 201 W. Main Street. The Administrator said that there was a door that needs repaired and the Village should repair it in lieu of rent.. The cost to repair the sliding door will probably be between \$ 100 and \$ 500.

Councilman Hall made a motion to repair the door on Dave Keller's building at a cost not to exceed \$500. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

The Tower legs are done and grass will be planted around them.

After asking for bids on the shelter House at the park the only bid received was from Lawn's Plus who works with an Amish gentleman. The bid was for \$ 4,500. The American Legion will donate \$ 2,500 to the Village toward the cost of repairing the shelter.

Councilman Hall made a motion to repair the roof on the shelter house at a cost of \$ 4,500 with the American Legion donating \$ 2,500 toward the repair. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Discussion:

Fiscal officer reminded the Council that the walking track may have to be repaired and that the shelter house repairs would use up most of the funds available. Councilwoman Fulmer mentioned the track and the pea gravel and that the Council has to prioritize the repairs needed at the park. Councilman Plikerd said that

he agreed with Councilwoman Fulmer and that Council should wait until after the August 20 th. meeting of the Park Committee before going ahead with the repair of the shelter house.

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	NO		
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	NO

Motion passed: YES – 3 , NO – 2

Thompson Electric will be here tomorrow to move the electric from the Haley Building and Ed Patterson will be repairing the grinder pumps in the Village Building.

The Haley Building will be completely boarded up and no one will be able to enter the building. Need to consider painting the Village Building in the future.

Fiscal Officer:

Fiscal Officer reviewed the fund balance summary and indicated that the balances had gone down in July as he said it would at the July meeting due to the loan payment on the Sewer loan to the EPA in the amount of \$ 69,021.59. The Fiscal Officer said that the Village has received over \$ 85,000 in income tax to date compared to the budgeted amount of \$ 80,000 for the year and the estimate is that the receipts should exceed \$ 95,000 for the year. The second payment to the Union Banking Company on the loan for the repair of the water tower has been made in the amount of \$ 18,750.00 principal and \$ 1,670.55 for a total of \$ 20,420.55. There are two payments remaining to be paid in 2010.

Other Items:

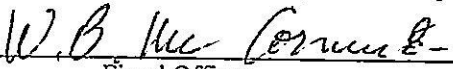
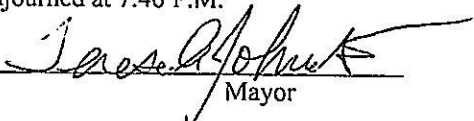
Councilwoman Fulmer asked whether we should write up some sort of waivers for the people who have grinder pumps hooked up to their electric? The Mayor said that the Administrator was working with the Solicitor to work something out.

The Village will receive the \$ 100 per quarter fee for monitoring the recycling site

Landscaping will be done at the recycling site in a couple of weeks.

Fall Festival is October 3 rd. at the Township Park.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

	
Fiscal Officer	Mayor

Date 8/11/2009

Belle Center Village Council September 8, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd.

Reading of the minutes from the August , 2009 meeting was suspended Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Amy Bowdle , Library Director and Tina Payne , President of the Friends of the Belle Center Free Public Library were present and made a presentation on the need for contributions due to the State cutback. The Friends of the Library were soliciting funds for the purchase of books , videos etc. and for Library programs. After some discussion Councilman Hall made a motion to donate \$ 3,000.00 to the Friends of the Belle Center Free Public Library. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	NO
Dione Campbell	YES	Garnet Roebuck	YES
Ralph Hall	YES	Dustin Plikerd	YES

Motion passed 5 - 1

Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-05 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Ordinance 2009-05 is an Ordinance required by the Federal Trade commission to protect customers from Identity Theft and must be in place by November 1 , 2009. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-05 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: all Ayes. Motion passed.

Due to a mistake on numbering Ordinances the Mayor said that Council should approve the renumbering of the Final Appropriation Ordinance from 2009-01 to 2009-01A. Councilman Hall made a motion to change the number of the Appropriation Ordinance from 2009-01 to 2009-01A. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Report of Committees:

Park Committee: Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the Park Committee meeting held on August 20.

There was a change in the possible repair of the roof on the shelter and that the Village Administrator would report on that later.

Fill in cracks on walking track this fall to protect it until next year

Possible activities to be completed during 2010:

Paint Equipment install pea gravel , repair seesaw , repair outfield fence posts , repair dugouts and repair split rail fence

Long Term:

New playground equipment , installation of water fountain , and recycled plastic benches

Reports of Mayor:

The Mayor reported on the break in of the Village Office and nothing was taken. May's Pizza , Zeller's Roundtable and the United Presbyterian Church were also broken into. An attempted break in of K & K was unsuccessful. The Mayor said everyone needs to be aware of any strange activities or people in the Village.

Village Administrator reported on the following items:

The inspection of the water tower was completed and everything looks good.

Wooley Road was paved.

The scheduled alleys have all been chipped and tarred. Will be paid from County sales tax funds.

It is the Administrator's view that it would be better to build a whole new roof instead of trying to repair the current roof on the shelter house.

Fiscal Officer:

Gretchen Anderson asked if the old state computer system could be donated to the Logan County Humane Society since it was no longer being used by the Village. Councilman Hall made a motion to donate the computer equipment to the Logan County Humane Society.

Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer reviewed the fund balance summary and indicated that the balances had gone up in August as expected.

Other Items:

Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the following items:

The Village needs additional "No Parking" signs on Walnut and/or Maple streets.

Councilwoman Fulmer asked if a sign could be put up at Murray Griffin Park regarding cleaning up after their pets. The Mayor said she would check into the cost of one sign for the park.

Councilwoman Fulmer stated that 10-12 trees would be planted from people who adopted a tree and asked how she would be reimbursed for the money she spent on the trees, and how the checks made out to the Village from residents for trees would be handled. She had received a sales tax exemption certificate from the Fiscal Officer who indicated that the Council would have to approve the payment and appropriate the funds.

The Mayor asked how can this problem be handled because this program was not a program that had been previously approved by Council. Village Solicitor Schrader was asked his opinion and he advised that the easiest thing to do would be for Councilwoman Fulmer to pay the sales tax on the trees and handle all financial transactions for the Adopt a Tree program within the Tree Committee otherwise Council would need to vote on the appropriations that were needed within the tree account.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to start the Adopt a Tree program within the Village where residents could donate trees to the Village (This would require that the funds be appropriated) There was no second to the motion. Adopt a Tree enables residents to donate trees to the Village.

After not receiving a second to the motion (to enact the Adopt a Tree program into the Village finances) a heated discussion followed. Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at approximately 8:25 P.M.

W.B. McCombs
Fiscal Officer

Terrell J. Smith
Mayor

Date 9/8/2009

~~Complete comments can be reviewed on the audio tape which can be listened to at the Village Office during regular office hours~~

Belle Center Village Council September 22, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in special session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd.

Reading of the minutes from the September 8 , 2009 meeting was suspended Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilman Lowery Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	YES	John Lowery	NO
Dione Campbell	NO	Garnet Roebuck	NO
Ralph Hall	NO	Dustin Plikerd	YES

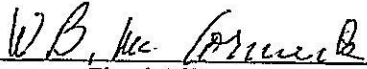
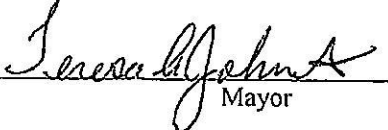
The minutes of the September 8 meeting were not approved.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Resolution 2009-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2009-02 is a Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Logan County Budget Commission and authorizing the tax levies and certifying them to the Logan County Auditor. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

With no further business to be discussed Councilman Plikerd made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

	
Fiscal Officer	Mayor

Date 9/22/2009

Belle Center Village Council October 13, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd.

Guests present were Stanley Mounts , Janet Daniels and Dorothy McCormick.

Mayor Johnston explained that we now have a new recording system and that with the new device it is possible to create " on demand " an audio copy of the meeting and provide a CD to anyone interested at a cost of \$ 3.00 per CD.

Reading of the minutes from the regular September 8 , 2009 meeting were read by the Fiscal Officer. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Minutes of the Special meeting held on September 22 , 2009 were read by the Fiscal Officer. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Superintendent Mounts requested support of the Benjamin Logan Permanent Improvement levy of 2.0 mills. The funds from this levy can only be used for capital items. Mr. Mounts reviewed the history of the Schools debts and that by the end of 2011 Benjamin Logan will no longer have any debts for the 3 schools. Due to House Bill 66 the State will provide funds to payoff the Elementary and Middle School debts by the year 2011.

No real estate taxes for school debt will be collected after this year and ,even with the new levy , taxes will decrease approximately 1.0 mills for Benjamin Logan Schools.

Reports of Mayor:

Mayor Johnston stated that employee Frank Harrod had recently received his CDL license. The Mayor explained that it had been recommended to this employee that he obtain a CDL license because it would be a cost savings for the Village as well as an asset for the employee. The Mayor then reminded the Council they had approved an increase for an employee in 2005 of \$.50 / hour for receiving a CDL license. The Mayor recommended that Mr. Harrod also receive an increase of \$.50 / hour. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to grant Frank Harrod an increase in pay of \$.50 / hour for obtaining his CDL. The increase to be effective with the payroll starting October 11. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Mayor passed out the inspection report prepared by Nelson Engineering which indicated that the water tower has passed all points of the inspection at a 100 % rating. Nelson Engineering then recommended the next inspection should be in 5 years.

Village Administrator:

The Administrator indicated that the 1993 Dump Truck would have to be replaced soon due to rust and other items. He said that the gas tank is leaking on the truck and needs repaired and asked whether Council wanted to spend \$ 369.00 to replace the gas tank and possibly the fuel pump at a cost of \$ 150.00.

The Administrator indicated that this was the only truck the Village has to plow snow since the new dump truck needs fitted for a plow and salt spreader.

The Mayor reminded Administrator Houchin that we needed to get estimates for a plow to be fitted on the new truck which is currently used very little and then use the 1993 truck as a backup to the newer truck. After some discussion Councilman Plikerd made a motion to repair the gas tank and fuel pump, if necessary. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer :

Fiscal Officer read a thank you letter from the Logan County Humane Society thanking the Village for the donation of the Computer Equipment. Mr. McCormick passed out the summary of fund balances which indicated that the balances had decreased \$ 9,720.15 during the month

Other Council Business:

Councilman Hall requested that the Solicitor check the Ohio Revised Code to see if there is a requirement that any items to be brought up at Council meetings by members of Council have to be given to the Mayor at least 48 hours before the meeting and that nothing else can be brought up.

Councilwoman Campbell reported on BMRT . She is the Council representative to the BMRT Board. BMRT has 18 - 20 members and average 200 - 250 runs per year . BMRT has 2 fully staffed ambulances and generates income from runs and from Logan County and a small amount from Hardin County. There is also a 1.0 mill levy of which 50.0 % goes for new equipment and 50.0 % for maintenance.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

W. B. McCormick
Fiscal Officer

David J. Smith
Mayor

Date 10/13/2009

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Belle Center Village Council November 10, 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd.

Guests present were Sgt. Chris Brown , Rick Bednarki , Dorothy McCormick , Carl Dunlap , Phyllis Dunlap , Bob Rhoades and Chris Fulmer.

Reading of the Minutes from the October 13 , 2009 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston introduced Rick Bednarki as the new Council member effective January 1 , 2010 and thanked Councilwoman Campbell for her many year's service on the Council.

Sgt. Chris Brown of the Logan County Sheriff's Department asked if there were any problems in the Village that the Sheriff's Office should be aware of and there were none mentioned. Sgt. Brown passed out a report listing the various calls made in Belle Center from 7/1/2009 – 10/31/2009.

Village Administrator:

The Village Administrator reported on the 3 estimates that he received for a snow plow for the 2006 Dump Truck. The estimates were as follows:

Kalida Truck – “V” plow - \$ 5,488 & straight plow - \$ 4,740

J.D. Power – “V” plow - \$ 5,775 & straight plow - \$ 4,705

Levan's Power Equipment – “V” plow - \$ 5,200 & straight plow - \$ 4,500

The Administrator recommended that the “V” plow be purchased from Levan's Power Equipment. Councilman Hall made a motion to purchase a “V” plow from Levans at a cost of \$ 5,200. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

It was decided that a salt spreader for the 2006 dump truck would not be purchased at this time and that we would continue to use the 1993 dump truck to spread the salt.

The Administrator indicated that about 30 loads of leaves have been hauled which amounts to approximately 30 tons of leaves. He also indicated that we are incurring many problems with our grinder pumps and that at this time there are 14 pumps being worked on.

Fiscal Officer :

The Fiscal Officer passed out the Fund Analysis and indicated that the fund balances increased approximately \$ 2,000 during October and that everything was close to the budget. He said that as of 11/10/09 \$ 105,159.71 had been received for income tax compared to a little over \$ 110,000 for the entire year of 2008. The Fiscal Officer then referred to an article in the Bellefontaine Examiner regarding the County's outlook for the year 2010 where Auditor Mike Yoder expected a possible reduction in the receipts in the General Fund of \$ 1 million dollars. The Fiscal Officer recommends that the Village needs to be conservative in estimated receipts in 2010 and tightened spending.

The Fiscal officer passed out a worksheet regarding budget changes to be made in order to be able to purchase the plow. Councilman Lowery made a motion authorizing the Fiscal Officer to make the necessary adjustments. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

Other:

Councilwoman Fulmer said that 19 trees were donated by residents and businesses and 4 Vita pine trees were planted by Logan County Solid Waste Management under "Adopt a Tree" program.

Councilwoman Fulmer thanked all that donated trees as well as those that donated their time for watering, planting and the making of the commemorative plaque that will be displayed in the Village offices.

Councilwoman Fulmer said she had asked an Arborist to come to town and check the ash trees for the possibility of emerald ash bore. There is no cost to the Village. According to the Administrator there are 15 ash trees in the boulevards.

Councilwoman Fulmer brought up the fact that she had contacted churches in town to see if there was any interest in them making a contribution toward purchasing equipment (specifically a wooden boat & accessories from the Amish Store). There was some discussion and Councilman Plikerd said he would not vote to put any wooden equipment in the park but he was not opposed to obtaining other new equipment for the park.

Councilwoman Fulmer then made a motion to provide the means for residents and businesses to donate to a specific fund until November, 2011 for playground equipment and, if the Council did not vote to buy the equipment, that the donations would be returned to the donors. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer said she would like to have a Tree Committee meeting on December 7th. at 7:00 P.M.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

W. B. Mc Cormick
Fiscal Officer

[Signature]
Mayor

Date 11/10/2009

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Belle Center Village Council December 8 , 2009

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Teresa Johnston presiding.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dione Campbell , Ralph Hall , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd.

Guests present were Rick Bednarki , Dorothy McCormick and Ashleigh Klinger from WPKO Radio

Reading of the Minutes from the November 10 , 2009 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer and Councilman Plikerd asked for 2 minor changes in the minutes. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2009-06 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Ordinance 2009-06 is an Ordinance approving temporary appropriations in the amount of \$ 667,630.31 For the year 2010.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pass Ordinance 2009-06 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion so suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Resolution 2009-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Resolution 2009-02 is a Resolution authorizing the establishment of a Fund to accept contributions for the purpose of adding equipment at Murray Griffin Park and authorizing the Fiscal Officer to apply to the Auditor of State for permission to set up the Fund.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pass Resolution 2009-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Village Administrator:

The Administrator indicated that the Village had operated the entire year without a full time employee in the position of Sewer Superintendant and recommended that the Council abolish the position of Sewer Superintendent . After some discussion Councilman Hall made a motion to abolish the position of Sewer Superintendent effective December 8 , 2009. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer :

The Fiscal Officer passed out the Fund Analysis and indicated that the fund balances showed a small Increase during November and that the balances would decrease during December do to semiannual payment on the OPWC loan and Insurance payment..

Other:

Councilman Plikerd said that the new plow looked good and that it was a wise purchase. Councilwoman Campbell was recognized by the Mayor for her 16 years of service on the Council.

Councilwoman Fulmer thanked Ralph Hall , Doug Ritchie and Margaret Nabors for their service on the Tree Commission. She said that the Arborist was in the Village and that the Emerald Ash Borer was present. The Village Administrator told her that the Village employees could cut down all the ash trees in the boulevard except for the 2 very large trees. The ash trees on private property will the responsibility of the home owners. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that the Village Tree Commission Ordinance may need to be

changed to increase the number of members and include term limits; this will be addressed in 2010. The meetings of the Tree Commission will continue to be held on the fifth Mondays in the months which have 5 Mondays. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that \$ 570.00 was donated for the Adopt a Tree program.

Councilwoman Fulmer suggested a plan of action should be prepared regarding the Emerald ash borer.

Councilwoman Fulmer asked if the amount of trash going to the landfill had been reduced and the Fiscal Officer said he had made a rough calculation which indicated that there has been a reduction of approximately 15 % since the Recycling Site had opened.

The Fiscal Officer said that the EPA had conducted an audit of the Water Department and read a recommendation from the report that the Village consider purchasing a telemetry system and the Administrator said he would contact Congressman Jordan about the possibility of getting funds for this project.

With no further business before Council Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 7:2 P.M

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Date 12/8/2009

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