

Belle Center Village Council January 12 , 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer , Dustin Plikerd , John Lowery , Garnet Roebuck and Ralph Hall. Rick Bednarki was introduced as the new Councilmember.

Guests present : Garris Pugh , Carl Dunlap , Dione Campbell , Nancy Millisor , Dorothy McCormick , Janet Daniels and Chris Fulmer.

Reading of the minutes from the December , 2009 meeting was suspended. Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the corrected minutes. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed 5 - 0 as Councilman Bednarki could not vote since he was not a member of Council in December.

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

Mayor Johnston presented her " State of The Village " report.

The Mayor summarized the fact that the Village receives revenue from many sources and each year the Council appropriates amounts to be spent during the year.

Year 2009 - Beginning Balance - \$ 544,127 , Receipts of \$ 597,555 , Expenditures of \$ 629,390
Leaving a balance at December 31 , 2009 of \$ 512,292

Estimated 2010 - Estimated to end the year 2010 with a balance of \$ 431,509.
Council may have to address rate increases in our Utility funds during 2010.

The Mayor asked for a nominee for President Pro Tempore for year 2010. Councilwoman Roebuck nominated Councilman Plikerd . Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Hall made a motion to continue reimbursing the full time employees \$ 68.00 per month for insurance costs through the year 2010. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck . Roll Call : All Ayes .
Motion passed.

Nancy Millisor spoke regarding the planned paving of N. Elizabeth Street due to the fact that there has been problems in the past because the street is approximately 18 inches thick. Administrator Houchin said he was already aware of the problem and would take care of it.

Nancy also brought the original Bylaws of the Village from the year 1851. She plans on having the Logan County Historical Society scan them and make copies. The decision was to accept the original Bylaws and have a glass case made so that they can be viewed at the Village office . Solicitor Schrader volunteered his father (Allie Schrader) to make the cabinet. Fiscal Officer said he would ask Allie to make the case. There will also be a copy that people can read.

Administrator : Administrator Houchin indicated that there were problems with snow mobiles and that residents needed to call the Sheriff's office with complaints. He also indicated that there has been kitty litter discharged into the sewer system which has damaged grinder pumps.

Fiscal Officer reported that the Auditor of State approved Fund 4901 to record donations to purchase new equipment for the Village Park.

Other Council Business:

Councilwoman Fulmer said she thought that the decision by Council at the December meeting to eliminate the position of Sewer Superintendant was taken too hastily and that people had called her to say that they felt that Shawn McDonald was being railroaded. Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to reinstate the position of Sewer Superintendant . Seconded by Councilman Bednarki.

Councilman Plikerd said that the Village has no employees who are certified (licensed) at this time. Councilman Bednarki asked if the Village had job descriptions for the various positions and was told that we did but that all employees are expected to work in all areas. The mayor indicated that Mr. McDonald had not passed the test to be licensed.

Garris Pugh from the Indian Lake Water Pollution Control District said that since Belle Center was not issued a " Discharge Permit " the EPA has no authority . He also said that the Village needs someone responsible to maintain the sewage system just as the Water system is.

Councilman Plikerd said that the employees of the Village can maintain the system and that just the title had been eliminated.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that the Village needed someone trained to maintain the lines and grinder pumps and that Shawn McDonald had received training from E-One (Manufacturer of the pumps) and other updated classes.

Mayor Johnston reminded Councilwoman Fulmer that the motion was about the position and not the individual involved and gave Councilwoman Fulmer 5 more minutes to complete her presentation. Councilwoman Fulmer gave the following reasons why the position should be reinstated and that Shawn McDonald had this experience.

Training , Experience on job , Maintain parts inventory , Review electric bills for excess electric usage , On call 24/7 , Maintain parts replacement logs , Preventative maintenance , Legal ramifications

After this the Fiscal Officer asked for time to present the situation with Mr.McDonald and Workers' Compensation.

On October 28 , 2009 Workers' Compensation determined that Mr.McDonald had reached maximum improvement . Mr. Mc Donald was offered Vocational Rehabilitation by Workers' Compensation but he did not respond to their offer. Mr. McDonald has not reported back to work with a report from the physician stating that Mr. McDonald can return to work without restrictions.

The Mayor then asked for the vote on the motion to reinstate the position of Sewer Superintendent.

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - YES

Rick Bednarki - YES

Ralph Hall - NO

John Lowery - NO


Garnet Roebuck - NO

Dustin Plikerd - NO

Motion Did not pass.

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 February 9 , 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Guests present : Dione Campbell and Dorothy McCormick

Reading of the minutes from the January , 2010 meeting was suspended. After some discussion Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by John Lowery .

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO

Rick Bednarki - YES

Ralph Hall - YES

John Lowery - YES

Garnet Roebuck - YES

Dustin Plikerd - YES

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

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Reconvened from Executive Session.

Mayor Johnston announced that Shawn McDonald had resigned his position with the Village effective February 5 , 2010 of his own accord.

Ordinance 2010-01 was introduced on its first reading which is an Ordinance modifying Section II of Ordinance 2005-01 which is known as the " Tree Ordinance".

Section II of Ordinance 2005-01 states that said commission shall consist of seven members : Mayor, one Council member , a representative of the Adarian Club and four citizens who reside in either the Village or Richland Township. The changes recommended by Council are: Said commission shall consist of no less than seven members nor more than ten members. Mayor , one or more Council members and up to eight other members. Appointments would be for a period of one year.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-01 -(First Reading) with the changes recommended by Council, Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston praised the employees who maintained the streets in the Village during the snow storms and was very proud of the job done by them.

Village Administrator reported that he had contacted Congressman Jordan regarding the possibility of obtaining a grant to paint the exterior of the water tower , obtaining a telemetry system , and replacing our current water meters with touch reader meters. He is obtaining estimates and once he receives them he and , hopefully the Mayor and Fiscal Officer will visit Congressman Jordan's office.

Fiscal Officer passed out the Fund analysis report for the month of January which indicated that the total balance decreased \$ 58,956.27 during January. The semi-annual payment of \$ 69,021.59 on the Ohio Water Development loan (Sewer System) was made during January. Excluding this payment the balances increased \$ 10,065.32.

The Fiscal Officer asked for permission to pay off the loan from The Union Banking Company early if finances allow since the interest rate on the loan is 6.0 % and the Village is only earning 1.25 % on our CD's. After some discussion Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion authorizing the Fiscal Officer to

pay off the loan from Union Banking early if the finances allow it. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Administrator asked if he could add an other item. He is recommending that the Spring clean up week be held from May 3 - May 7.

The Mayor indicated that she felt that the Village should continue supporting the Belle Center Food Pantry. Councilman Hall made a motion to donate \$ 100.00 per month to the Belle Center Food Pantry retroactive to January. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Other Council Business:

Councilwoman Fulmer brought up the fact that she had heard that some communities were asking residents to shovel the snow away from the water hydrants and asked whether the employees could do this. Councilman Plikerd said that the Fire Department cleans around the hydrants.

Councilwoman asked the Fiscal officer whether he could put a summary of the income taxes in the next utility bills and the Fiscal Officer said he would prepare one.

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 7:50 P.M.

W.B. McConnel
Fiscal Officer

Terrell Johnson
Mayor

Belle Center Village Council March 9, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Guests present: Dione Campbell, Dorothy McCormick and Dustin Wickersham

Reading of the minutes from the February 2010 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer mentioned that the motion from Councilman Plikerd to go into Executive Session during the February meeting was not properly stated.

The Fiscal Officer indicated that we could not change the wording of the motion. Councilwoman Fulmer was reminded by the Mayor that at this point in the meeting we are making changes to the minutes, but this change to the minutes could not be made since that would be changing the motion that was made by Councilman Plikerd.

The Mayor informed Councilwoman Fulmer that she could bring the matter up later in the meeting but it was not an issue for approval of the minutes. Councilman Hall made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd 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 to pass Ordinance 2010-02 on its first and only reading. Ordinance 2010-02 is an Ordinance approving the final appropriations for the year 2010. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer distributed copies of the budget to Council members.

Councilwoman Fulmer said she did not think that \$ 2,000 was enough for trees. She mentioned the ash trees which may have to be cut down and other items. The Fiscal Officer reminded her that amounts can be moved from accounts within a fund if needed.

The Mayor asked the opinion of each Council member as to how they felt about the \$ 2,000 appropriated for the tree budget and each felt that \$ 2,000 was adequate.

After some more discussion Councilman Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-02 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call:

Rick Bednarki - YES

Ralph Hall - YES

John Lowery - YES

Garnet Roebuck - YES

Dustin Plikerd - YES

Rhonda Fulmer - NO

Motion passed-- YES - 5 , NO - 1

Councilman Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-01 on its second and final reading. Ordinance 2001-01 is an Ordinance modifying Ordinance 2005-01 known as the Tree Ordinance. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer wanted to change the wording of the Ordinance from appointments to term limits for members. Councilwoman Fulmer felt that the wording of appointments might not be understandable. Councilwoman Fulmer suggested that the wording be changed to "term limits are for one year".

The Mayor questioned Council as to whether they also had trouble understanding the wording of the Ordinance. No other Council members stated that they have a problem with the original wording. Councilwoman Fulmer reiterated her point that the wording should be changed. The mayor asked how this could be accomplished and it was finally decided that Ordinance 2001-01 should be killed.

Councilman Hall made a motion to kill Ordinance 2010-01. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call All ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-03 on its first and only reading. Ordinance 2010-03 is an Ordinance modifying Ordinance 2005-01 and setting term limits except the Mayor at one year and increasing the size of the commission from 7 members to not less than 7 nor more than 10. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-03 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Dustin Wickersham addressed Council regarding his candidacy for County Commissioner.

Village Official Reports:

The Administrator reported on the condition of the 1993 Dump Truck. He said the floor needed replaced and front ball joints, tie rod ends, and universals also need replaced. No action was taken. He also reported on the status of the grinder pumps which will require extensive repairs and rebuilding. He also stated that he had received two estimates for a shoring device. Since the item was in the budget the Council did not have to approve the purchase.

The Fiscal Officer distributed the summary of the fund balances which showed a reduction of \$ 24,644 during February do primarily to the loan payment to Union Bank for the water tower repair.

Other Business:

Councilwoman Fulmer asked the Fiscal Officer whether he had prepared a plan for the Emerald Ash Borer which are destroying ash trees. The Administrator said it was the responsibility of the Tree Commission to prepare the plan. Council agreed and told Councilwoman Fulmer to have the Tree Commission prepare a plan and bring it to Council.

With no further business before Council Ralph Hall made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Dustin Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

W.B. Mc Cormick Fiscal Officer

David A. Johnson Mayor

Belle Center Village Council April 13, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Guests present: Dione Campbell and Dorothy McCormick

Reading of the minutes from the March 9 meeting was suspended. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Hall made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston read a thank you card from Dee McIntosh thanking the Village for the donations to the Belle Center Food Pantry.

Mayor Johnston appointed the following individuals to a one year term on the Tree Commission.

Rhonda Fulmer, Carl Dunlap, Phyllis Dunlap, Janet Daniels, Rhonda Fitzpatrick, Edith Fisher, Dione Campbell and Gerald Houchin. In addition the Mayor is a permanent member of the Tree Commission.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to accept the appointments. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the Tree Commission meeting held on March 29. and announced that Dorothy McCormick and Garnet Roebuck had resigned from the Commission and thanked them for their Services. Arbor Day has been set for Saturday, April 24 at 10:00 A.M. at the corner of N. Elizabeth And Plum Streets.

Councilwoman Fulmer announced that the EAB is in town and that a meeting will be held on May 6 at 2:30 P.M. with a representative from the State to develop a Management Plan for EAB (Emerald Ash Borer).

Village Officer Reports :

Administrator:

The Administrator reported that he had received 2 bids to replace the mulch at Murray Griffin Park with pea gravel. The bids were : Chris Fulkerson - \$ 2,100.00 and JC 's Backhoe (John Core) - \$ 2,800.00 The Administrator asked Council for their decision on the bids.

After some discussion it was decided to have a Park Committee meeting at the Murray Griffin Park on Saturday, April 17 at 10:00 A.M.

The Administrator said that he had located a local retailer that will be able to supply "split rail " fencing that may be needed for the Village Park.

The Administrator advised Council of the situation of the fire hydrant located at 413 E. Buckeye which has been hit twice by vehicles since a new parking lot was built there. The Administrator told Council that the cost of just material to move the hydrant would be in excess of \$ 1,400.00. He suggested that we install taller posts filled with concrete around the hydrant. Councilman Hall made a motion to install the posts. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Ralph Hall - YES
Motion passed: YES - 5 , NO - 1

John Lowery - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - NO

The Administrator announced that the State would be paving Buckeye Street and would be widening the street 3 feet on each side and that the work would start the last week of April.

Fiscal Officer:

The Fiscal Officer handed out the Fund analysis for the month of March and year - to-date. There were no questions. He also indicated that Dione Campbell , Dorothy McCormick and he would be attending the tree City Awards Ceremony in Groveport,

Other Council Business:

Councilman Plikerd indicated that a few people were upset about the grit being swept into their yards when the streets were swept. He also said that the streets looked good.

Councilman Bednarki made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a possible real estate purchase. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Reconvened from Executive Session.


Councilwoman Fulmer asked why the dates for the Spring Cleanup were changed and the Administrator said that he and the workers felt that the revised date was better and especially in light of the State paving Buckeye Street which might carry over into the first week in May.

Councilwoman Fulmer wanted to also discuss the water leak and water boil alert. She was told that the radio station was notified and that the electronic board had the info on it. The Mayor said that the workers did not have time to go door to door since they were trying to stop the water leak.

The Mayor said she had contacted Sheriff Smith about the mobile sign available throughout the County which would indicate the speed of vehicles and was told that Belle Center would have use of it. Each entity will get it for a week at a time.

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


Fiscal Officer


Mayor

Belle Center Village Council May 11, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Guests present: Dione Campbell and Dorothy McCormick

Reading of the minutes from the April 13 meeting was suspended. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the Park Committee meeting held at Murray Griffin Park on Saturday, April 17.

With the following recommendations:

- 1) Repair the roof on the Shelter House at a cost between \$ 7,500 & \$ 7,600
- 2) Install pea gravel in playground area
- 3) Fill & seal walking track
- 4) Repaint playground equipment
- 5) Volunteers will dig around trees and install mulch
- 6) Install split rail fence around Park along Rt. 102
- 7) Install signs & flowers at entrance to Park

Village Officer Reports :

Mayor: The mayor indicated that she had caught an individual vandalizing a bench at the Township Park and indicated that there are bands of youth running around town. She asked for Council to give her permission to enter into a contract with the Logan County Sheriff at an hourly rate of \$ 26.00 to provide additional patrols in town when needed.

After some discussion Councilman Plikerd made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Sheriff to provide additional patrols at a cost not to exceed \$ 520.00. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor also stated that the 2010 Trick or Treat date had been set by the County Mayors Assoc as October 28th.

Village Administrator:

Shelter House is nearing completion.

Finish installing pea gravel

Need volunteers to stain posts on the shelter house.

Councilman Bednarki asked about the posts around the fire hydrant at Leonard's and the Administrator said that they would be installed soon after the Clean Up is completed.

Fiscal Officer:

Fund balance summaries were passed out to Council. The Fiscal Officer indicated that the Village has received \$ 57,000 in Income Taxes to date compared to \$ 64,000 at the end of May, 2009.

Other Council Business:

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to accept Chris Fulkerson's bid to install pea gravel at Murray Griffin Park at a cost of \$ 2,100. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Bednarki made a motion for the Village to purchase the Railroad Depot at a cost of \$ 12,000 which will include the surveying cost. Seconded by Councilman Hall.
Councilman Bednarki indicated that repairs that should be done immediately would probably take the total cost to shore up the building to approximately \$ 15,000. There would be a 10 ' section between the Red Mill and Post Office property included with the purchase which would give the Village access to the property from Elizabeth Street.

Councilwoman Fulmer asked what would be the future use of the building and the Mayor thought it could make a good Village Office which would make the Depot open to all the Village residents.
Councilwoman Fulmer asked if the Depot currently had water, sewer, electric or heat.
It was stated 'No' that as this time the Depot does not have any utilities.
Councilwoman Fulmer asked whether it would have to be brought up to code and felt that the condition of the building seemed poor to her. Councilwoman Fulmer also stated worries as to the Village being burdened with a costly building.

The Mayor and Councilman Bednarki said that the important thing was to stabilize the building immediately and then plan for the future. The Fiscal Officer said that there were many grants available for preservation of historical buildings and that the next scheduled date for applying for grants would probably be February, 2011. There are some grants available just for transportation and that ODOT would be a possibility for one.

The Mayor said that we may want to start a Fund to accumulate possible donations for this project as was set up for additional playground equipment. Councilman Bednarki thought that we could get a lot of donated labor.

The Mayor also stated that a committee will be appointed to work with this project if the Depot should be purchased.

The Fiscal Officer said he thought the Logan County Historical Society would help the Village obtain funds for this project.

The Mayor called for a vote on the motion made by Councilman Bednarki:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO
Rick Bednarki - YES
Ralph Hall - YES

John Lowery - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed - YES - 5 , NO - 1

Councilwoman Fulmer reported on the following:

A Red Oak Tree was planted at the corner of N. Elizabeth and Plum Streets for the celebration of Arbor Day on Saturday, April 24 and that she also had applications for the Tree Academy.
Belle Center received the Tree City USA award for the 5 th. year at the awards ceremony on April 22.
The award was accepted by Bill McCormick on behalf of the Village. Three trees purchased by the "Adopt A Tree" program last year died and will be replaced. She also reported speeding near the Township Park.

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 7:37 P.M.


Fiscal Officer


Mayor

Belle Center Village Council June 8, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, Dustin Plikerd, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Ralph Hall and Rick Bednarki. Fiscal Officer Bill McCormick was absent.

Reading of the minutes from the May 11 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer added two items to the minutes. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Ralph Hall. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Councilwoman Fulmer asked how they could vote on paying the bills since they could not find the Purchase Orders. After some discussion the Mayor asked for a vote on the motion on the table. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5, NO - 1

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve expenses of \$ 3,000.00 for the stabilization of the Depot once the purchase was finalized. Motion was made by Councilwoman Roebuck to approve the expenses. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Question about the progress of the purchase was asked to Solicitor Schrader. He indicated that contracts had been prepared and signed and that the title search had been completed which had no adverse information. He said that the closing should happen in the next two weeks. The Mayor asked for a vote on the motion to approve the expenses. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5, NO - 1

Councilman Hall made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-04 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5, NO - 1

Councilman Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-04 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Ordinance 2010-04 is an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to sign a Loan Agreement with The Union Banking Company to borrow \$ 12,000.00 for 5 years at an annual interest rate of 6.0 %. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5, NO - 1

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-05 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5, NO - 1

Ordinance 2010-05 is an Ordinance authorizing Supplemental Appropriations in the amount of \$15,000.00 in the General Fund (Purchase of Depot) and \$1,000.00 in the Utility Deposit Fund (Refund of Deposits)

Councilman Hall made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-05 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- YES
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- YES

Motion passed - YES - 5 , NO - 1

Mayor Johnston announced the appointment of the Depot Committee:
Teresa Johnston , Rick Bednarki , Dustin Plikerd , Bill McCormick and Dee McIntosh.

The Village Administrator reported on the following items: Roof on Shelter House is completed , Cracks have been filled in on the floor. The Administrator proposed the purchase of new split rail fencing in the amount of \$ 606.73 to replace the existing fence.

Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to purchase the fencing. Seconded by Councilman Hall. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer	- NO	John Lowery	- NO
Rick Bednarki	- YES	Garnet Roebuck	- YES
Ralph Hall	- YES	Dustin Plikerd	- NO

Tie Vote: Mayor Johnston then voted NO so the motion did not pass.

Other Council Business:

Councilman Bednarki asked the Administrator about the progress on erecting the permanent posts to protect the fire hydrant at 413 E. Buckeye. The Administrator stated that he would see that it was completed as soon as possible. Council Bednarki suggested that we have an open house at the Depot during the Fourth of July weekend.

Councilwoman Fulmer:

Would like to thank the American Legion for their donation toward replacing the roof on the Shelter House. Thanked the Belle Center Youth Group , Tree commission , Council members and a few residents for helping to mulch around the trees at the Park. She also asked about hunting on the edge of town but no one knew what the rules were. Councilwoman Fulmer also brought up the issue of barking dogs. The Mayor indicated that the Village has an Ordinance but that it would not probably handle the problem. The Mayor said that the best solution would be for residents to call the Dog Warden. Councilwoman Fulmer also asked about the cost of the Village cleanup but the Administrator said he did not have that information.

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 7:40M.

W. B. McCormick
Fiscal Officer

James Johnston
Mayor

Belle Center Village Council July 20, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Guests Present : Connie Honaker , Amy Bowdle , Tina Payne and Dione Campbell

Reading of the minutes from the June 8 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer added one item to the minutes. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Mayor asked for a motion to pay the invoice for \$ 112.00 for the mulch used at the Park. Councilman Bednarki made a motion to pay the bill. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Mayor then read a letter from The Belle Center Fourth of July fireworks committee requesting a donation for the 2011 Fireworks. Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to donate \$ 1,000. for the fireworks. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Amy Bowdle and Tina Payne spoke on behalf of the " Friends of the Library " requesting a donation from the Village. After some discussion Councilman Hall made a motion to donate \$ 1,000.00 to the " Friends of the Library". Seconded by Councilwoman Fulmer. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston asked for approval of Resolution 2010-01 authorizing the paving of Village streets in 2011 with a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission Program. The streets to be paved are: N. Elizabeth from School Street to SR 273 , Miami Street from SR 273 to Torrence Street and Washington Street from Torrence Street to Vine Street.

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Belle Center Village Council July 20, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Guests Present : Connie Honaker , Amy Bowdle , Tina Payne and Dione Campbell

Reading of the minutes from the June 8 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer added one item to the minutes. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Mayor asked for a motion to pay the invoice for \$ 112.00 for the mulch used at the Park. Councilman Bednarki made a motion to pay the bill. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Mayor then read a letter from The Belle Center Fourth of July fireworks committee requesting a donation for the 2011 Fireworks. Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to donate \$ 1,000. for the fireworks. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

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Belle Center Village Council August 17, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, Dustin Plikerd, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck and Rick Bednarki. Ralph Hall was absent due to a family emergency.

Guests Present : Approximately 20 people were present.

Reading of the minutes from the July 20 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer modified the other information on the bottom of the minutes (Date of Fall Festival was changed to October 9 with a rain date of October 16).. Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston indicated that the Village had received a \$ 50.00 donation from Lisa Taylor / Care Coordination Department of Mary Rotan Hospital in honor of Marie Hawley (Mother of Deb Crowe). She also read a thank you note to the Council for the \$ 1,000.00 donation to the " Friends of the Library ".

The Fiscal Officer passed out the summary of the Fund Balances.

Other Council Business:

Councilwoman Fulmer brought up the following items:

She asked if an appraisal of the Depot was made before it was purchased and was told that no appraisal was made. She asked if there was a long term plan in place for the Depot and was told that the only Plans at this time was to stabilize the building. And that Council had approved an amount of \$ 3,000.00 for that purpose. Next Tree Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 30 at 6:00 P.M. She asked if the dual electric hookup change over had a schedule set up and the Mayor said No due to the status of the sewer fund. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that the \$ 4.00 credit being given residents who have an electric hookup for a grinder pump may not be adequate due to the increase in electric rates. The Mayor said that maybe we can have DP & L come in and do an analysis of the cost of operating a pump. Councilwoman asked what rate we were receiving for CD's and was told that the rate was 1% And she said people wondered why we borrowed \$ 12,000 at 6 % instead of paying for the purpose out of the General Fund. Mayor Johnston said that Council could decide to pay the loan off early.

Councilman Plikerd indicated that Councilman Hall , Councilwoman Roebuck and he went to a Public Records Meeting and indicated that it was a very informative meeting.

Sewage :

Mayor Johnston passed out an analysis she had prepared regarding the need for a rate increase.. Councilwoman Fulmer asked why salaries for the Fiscal Officer and Administrator had been added to the Sewer Fund during 2010 and it was explained that all of the Business Funds should bear a portion of these salaries. These salaries had been included as items in the Water & Trash funds in 2009 as well. Councilwoman Fulmer said she had been told that the Income Tax was passed to pay off the debt associated with the original sewer project. The Fiscal Officer read the beginning of the Income Tax Ordinance which stated "An Ordinance levying a tax to provide funds for the purposes of construction , acquiring, maintaining and operating capital improvements for general municipal operations ' ...

Many other items were discussed during this time. Mayor Johnston then mentioned that she had received a Preliminary proposal from the Logan County Commissioners regarding them taking over the complete Operation of the Belle Center Sewer operation. Belle Center would still be responsible for the collection and payment of the 2 loans for the installation of the sewer system. Subject to some issues being satisfied The County would charge a total of \$ 28.65 per customer per month. The residents of Belle Center would

Be billed \$ 10.28 for debt service which would make the monthly total \$ 38.93 compared to \$ 32.00 currently being charged..

The Commissioners also indicated that there could be an increase of \$ 3.00 per month on January 1. This increase could also take place even if Belle Center maintains the operation of the Sewage system.

At this time the Mayor asked for input from the residents present:

Several residents spoke regarding an increase in the sewer rates and none of them were in favor of an increase. Several mentioned the fact that money could be spent from the General Fund to support the sewage fund at this time they also said that the salaries for the Fiscal Officer and Administrator should be transferred to the General Fund. The residents were reminded that if all these items are paid from the General Fund that eventually the General Fund would be depleted. Some residents also expressed concern about the safety in town. They were concerned about speeding on all the streets in town. Four wheelers were also mentioned as a nuisance and safety hazard.

Two people indicated that, although they did not want a rate increase for sewage, they felt that the best alternative for the sewage situation was to turn the operation over to the County.

After some heated discussion Mayor Johnston said that she did not want a decision to be made without all the Council members present so no decisions were made and the situation will be discussed at the next Council meeting to be held on September 14, 2010. She also indicated that an increase of \$ 5.00 probably would be necessary for the Fund to break even.

With no further business before Council, Councilman Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

W.B. Mc Cormick
Fiscal Officer

Lorena Johnston
Mayor

Belle Center Village Council September 14 , 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, Dustin Plikerd, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Rick Bednarki, and Ralph Hall

Guests Present : Approximately 16 people were present.

Reading of the minutes from the August 17 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer had one change to make to the minutes. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as changed. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pass Resolution 2010-03. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Resolution 2010-03 is a Resolution accepting the Logan County Budget Commission amounts and rates for the year 2011. Roll Call : All Ayes. Motion passed.

Village Officials :

Village Administrator reported that no alleys would be chipped & tarred this year since there was not enough in the budget to make it worthwhile for the Company to come to Belle Center.

The Administrator said that a " French Drain " needed to be installed in the alley behind 112 E. Buckeye Street. He indicated that he had 2 quotes and that the only difference was that 1 had a minimum of 2 hours and the other did not. Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to accept the lower estimate which did not include the minimum. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki.

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Ralph Hall - YES

John Lowery - NO
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - NO

Motion passed - Yes - 4 , NO - 2

The Administrator then indicated that he had a quote to repair the roof over the office portion of the Village Building at a cost of \$ 6,972. After some discussion the Administrator was requested to get at least 1 more quote.

Sewage :

Mayor Johnston then reported that a meeting was held with Commissioner Core regarding the possibility of the County taking over the Sewer and was told that Garris Pugh was checking some items out on the pumps on the Village. Councilman Plikerd indicated that he was not in favor of turning the system over to the County.

There were many questions asked about the problems with the pumps including whether we had records of what pumps were being repaired and why.

Councilwoman Fulmer said she had reviewed the Income Ordinance and the minutes for 3 years after the passing of the Ordinance and indicated that payments were made on the original sewer loan out of the General Fund which the Fiscal officer agreed with. After some discussion the Mayor told Councilwoman Fulmer that the income tax revenue goes into the General Fund along with other revenue and that these funds are available to be transferred to other funds.

Councilwoman Fulmer then suggested that if the Sewer Fund was still in trouble in 2011 that a .5% additional Income Tax could be put on the ballot in November , 2011 to support the Sewer Fund.

subsidize the residents for the difference between the current rate of \$ 32.00 and what the County would charge? Solicitor Schrader said that the Village cannot pay bills of the residents.

Other Business :

Councilwoman Fulmer said that there would be a meeting of the Tree Commission on September 27 at 5:30 in Council Chambers. She also asked if State funds can be used to install speed bumps ?. The Administrator said he would check with the Logan County Engineering Office. She was also concerned about the level of service we would receive if the County took over the Sewer System.

With no further business before Council, Councilman Plikerd made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at approximately 9:00 P.M.


Fiscal Officer


Mayor

Other Information:

Trick or Treat night will be held on October 28 from 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. with a party at the Fire Department following at 7:30.

Reminder – NO Leaf burning is allowed in the Village.

The Income Tax would only tax income so people on retirement and / social security would not be subject to the tax. Councilman Plikerd indicated that there would be an expense to the Village to put this on the ballot whether it was passed or not. The Mayor said that another possibility was a temporary surcharge on the Utility bill.

Councilwoman Fulmer presented the list of people who were not in favor of a sewage and / or water rate increase.

Councilman Hall handed the Mayor his resignation from the Council effective immediately. Council accepted the resignation on a vote of 5 - 0. The Mayor said that Council had 30 days to name a replacement or the Mayor would.

Councilman Plikerd asked who was the candidate that ran but was not elected at the last election and was told that it was Dione Campbell.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that there were 3 or 4 who ran at the election before the last one. Councilman Plikerd asked Ms. Campbell if she was interested in being on Council and she said " Yes " .

Councilman Plikerd then made a motion to appoint Dione Campbell to Council for the replacement of Ralph Hall. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO

Rick Bednarki - Yes

John Lowery - Yes

Motion passed 4 - YES 1 - NO

Garnet Roebuck - YES

Dustin Plikerd - YES

The Mayor suggested that Dione Campbell be the second check signer since she is usually in town. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve Dione Campbell as the second check signer. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Council comments regarding the Sewer:

Councilwoman Roebuck said the system should be turned over to County. Councilman Plikerd said that he did not think a decision should be made tonight about a rate increase. He wanted to review the records of the pumps being repaired before making a decision.. He also felt that it was not in the best interest of the Village to turn the system over to the County.

Councilman Bednarki asked the Administrator about tracking pump problems and the Administrator said there were details of pumps pulled but not what Ed Patterson does.

Residents:

Resident Jim Day said that if the Sewer System was turned over to the County that the salaries of the Fiscal Officer and Village Administrator should be reduced and that the hours of the hourly workforce should be reduced.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that when we lost the Sewer Superintendent that the hourly employees did not receive an increase in pay when they took over the sewer.

Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that she had contacted the Ohio Auditor's office and was told that all pay of elected officials had to be paid out of the General Fund.

Councilman Plikerd stated that the rate situation should be tabled until the records and price on pumps could be reviewed and made a motion to table the discussion of sewer rates. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll call:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO

Rick Bednarki - Yes

John Lowery - Yes

Motion passed 4 - YES 1 - NO

Garnet Roebuck - YES

Dustin Plikerd - YES

Councilwoman Fulmer then asked if the Sewer system was turned over to the County could the Village

Belle Center Village Council October 12, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, Dustin Plikerd, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Rick Bednarki, and Dione Campbell

Guests Present: Approximately 17 people were present.

Reading of the minutes from the September 14 meeting was suspended. Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Lowery Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Mayor Johnston gave a short message about the sewer and that a decision should be made tonight. She said that a new vendor or more information about the pump repairs and costs were not going to change the situation immediately. She had heard nothing from the County and figured that was no longer an option.

The Mayor said that the business funds have to be run like a business and that all costs have to be covered including office cost. She said that the Sewer Fund should not be subsidized by the General Fund because The General Fund is financed primarily by the Income Tax and secondarily by Real Estate Tax. Subsidizing the Sewer Fund out of the General Fund would not be fair to the working people.

The Mayor suggested an increase of \$ 5.00 per month starting December 1, 2010 and would like a motion and second to that. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to increase the Sewer rates \$ 5.00 per month effective December 1, 2010. There was no second to the motion.

The Mayor asked Council what they wanted to do. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that there were no records available about the pumps. Councilman Plikerd said that we don't keep track of data regarding what is done with each pump. The Mayor asked what would change if we had records and Councilman Plikerd said that we could possibly replace bad pumps and he realized that this would increase our cost.

Councilman Lowery said that maybe we should consider a \$ 5.00 temporary increase for one year. The Mayor said that we could do that and possibly back off to \$ 3.00 if necessary.

The Mayor asked the Administrator about keeping records of pumps. The Administrator showed a report that they have been keeping since January, 2010 showing where pumps were pulled and what was wrong with them but the report did not have data regarding what parts were replaced in the pumps.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that the Sewer Fund would not be in the "red" even without taking the salaries out and so an increase is not justified at this time. She indicated that she had talked with Garris Pugh from Indian Lake and that they were experiencing a 15-17 % failure rate per year which amount to approximately 23 pumps per year for Belle Center. She also indicated that Mr. Pugh had checked about 25 pumps in Belle Center and that the amperage was fine on those pumps. He also indicated that rebuilt pumps should have a new life. He will provide us a name of another vendor for parts. He also said that they check their lights once/week.

Councilman Bednarki asked what the balance in the Sewer Fund at the end of September and was told that the balance was \$ 8,212 compared to \$ 24,529 at the end of September, 2009. He then asked the Fiscal Officer if he thought that the Sewer Fund would end the year in the black and he was told that it probably would but that the balance would be very low.

- Councilwoman Campbell made a statement that everyone should share in an increase and not just "working people."

Councilwoman Fulmer said that part of the 1.0% Income Tax should be used to supplement the Sewer Fund. The mayor said that approximately 75 % of the revenue in the General Fund comes from Income Tax and approximately 25 % from Real Estate Taxes. The Mayor asked the Fiscal Officer to read the beginning of the Income Tax Ordinance.

The Mayor asked Councilman Lowery about his proposal for a temporary \$ 5.00 increase and he said to forget it since it was too much money.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to add a surcharge of \$ 5.00 per month effective January 1, 2011 and expiring December 31, 2011. Councilwoman Campbell seconded the motion.

More discussion was held regarding this motion. Councilman Bednarki asked how much this increase would generate and the Fiscal Officer said it would generate approximately \$ 22,000 per year. A resident said it was not fair for all people to pay the same amount and the cost should be based on water usage and Councilman Plikerd agreed. Another resident said that if there was an increase that senior Citizens would be leaving town.

Another resident said that the burden lies on home owners and that retirees had put in much money over the years when they were working but that it was not fair for the just the working class to pay for the increase.

At this time the Mayor called for a roll call vote.

Rhonda Fulmer - NO
Rick Bednarki - NO
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - NO
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

TIE VOTE - Mayor has to cast deciding Vote - Mayor's Vote - YES

Motion Passed

Other Business:

Administrator Houchin said he had not received any additional estimates on replacing the roof over the office building and wanted to know what the Council wanted to do. Councilman Plikerd said the roof could wait an additional year and he said he would contact some other people.

Councilwoman Fulmer said that if the roof has to replace that a roof with a pitch should be installed. Administrator Houchin reminded her that the new roof on the shelter house cost over \$ 7,000. No action was taken by Council regarding the roof.

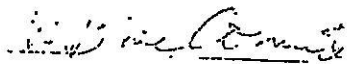
The Fiscal Officer handed out the Fund Balance report and another report showing that six other Villages allocated some cost of the Fiscal Officer / Clerk to Business Funds and /or salaries of Utility Clerks.

Two residents asked what was going to be done about the speeding in town. Councilwoman Fulmer asked about the speed check which had been conducted on State Street and that she had heard that it was only there about ½ hour. Mayor Johnston said she would check on the results.

Councilwoman Fulmer said there would be a Tree commission meeting on October 18 at 5:30 P.M. She asked about the study whether the trash hauling of "The pay As You Throw" was making the Village any money. The Fiscal Officer said that more samples had to be weighed but he said it was questionable whether the hauling is making any money and that a Resolution would have to be passed if Council decides to stop hauling the trash with Village personnel which would allow another company to haul the trash from the recycling center.

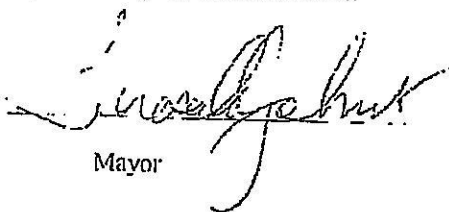
Councilwoman Fulmer said that the Tree Commission needed an estimate of what it would cost to cut down all the ash trees on Village Right of Way.

With no further business before Council, Councilman Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. - Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:30 P.M.



Fiscal Officer

J.C.D. 10


Mayor

Belle Center Village Council November 9, 2010

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with President Pro -Tempore Dustin Plikerd presiding in the absence of Mayor Johnston.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Rick Bednarki, and Dione Campbell

Guest Present: Janet Daniels

Reading of the minutes from the October 12 meeting was suspended. Councilman Bednarki Wanted to add that he had asked the Fiscal Officer if he thought that the Sewer Fund would end the year in the black and he was told it would but that the balance would be very low. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

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

The Fiscal Officer passed out the Fund balance report and there were no questions. The Fiscal Officer also Reported that the Village had received a \$1,000.00 anonymous donation for restoration of the Depot.

Councilwoman Fulmer then started a discussion regarding the acceptance by Council of the EAB Plan prepared by the Tree Commission. She stated that there are several ash trees in the Village and that they all are infected by the Emerald Ash Borer and that the Village needs a plan to deal with the situation.

Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that ash trees can go from looking virtually healthy to dead within a year After being infected with the Emerald Ash Borer.

There was a long discussion held regarding the EAB Management Plan and several questions were raised such as whether the Mayor had seen the plan by Dustin Plikerd and Councilwoman Fulmer said she had not and Mr. Plikerd said that she should see it before any action was taken by Council. Councilman Lowery asked if there was enough in the budget to finance the plan and the Fiscal Officer said he did not know at this time.

Councilwoman Fulmer had 3 estimates to cut down the ash trees and estimates to replace approximately 15 of the trees. The highest total was \$ 12,090 for the entire project.

Councilwoman Fulmer then brought up the fact that a 50/50 grant was available for 61 counties for cutting down ash trees and replacement of them. This grant was available through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Since the Mayor was not present it was decided to not make any decision on applying for the grant. Mr. Plikerd asked all the Council members whether they were in favor of applying for the grant and all of them applied in the affirmative. The Village Administrator advocated applying for the grant, and if a grant is received the entire project must be implemented and completed in the year 2011.

Other Items:

Councilwoman asked the Administrator about the cracks in the walking track or were we going to ignore them until the holes are too big. The Administrator said he had 2 large jobs to do which were repairing the track and filling and cleaning around where the stumps were removed.

Councilwoman Fulmer brought up the fact that she couldn't get into the building or to the copier for the last Tree Commission meeting and asked why she couldn't have a key.

After some more heated discussion President Pro Tempore decided that all Council members should have a key or none should have one so Councilwoman Campbell will turn her key in.

Councilman Bednarki said that there would be a meeting of the Finance Committee soon to review the proposed preliminary appropriation budget for the year 2011.

With no further business before Council, Councilman Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. . Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

W.B. McCosmick

Fiscal Officer

David R. Pike

President Pro Tempore

Belle Center Village Council December 1 , 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were Rhonda Fulmer, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck ,Rick Bednarki. and Dione Campbell. Dustin Plikerd was absent.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Resolution 2010-04 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki

Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to pass Resolution 2010-04 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Resolution 2010-04 is a Resolution accepting the Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan

After some discussion Mayor Johnston called for a vote on the Resolution.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Councilman Lowery made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-07 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki.

Roll Call: All Ayes . Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010-07 on its first and only reading . Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Ordinance 2010-07 is an Ordinance authorizing the Village Administrator to make application for a 50/50 grant to remove ash trees in the Village and replace them.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.



Fiscal Officer



Mayor

Belle Center Village Council December 14, 2010

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

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Guest Present: None

Reading of the minutes from the November 9 meeting was suspended. Councilwoman Fulmer made some additions to the minutes. Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

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

The Fiscal Officer asked for permission to increase the amount appropriated for account 1000-910—910-0000 (Transfers Out) by \$ 3,000 and reduce the amount appropriated for account 1000-320-431-0000 (Repair & Maintenance – Park) by \$ 3,000. Councilman Lowery made a motion to approve these changes. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer passed out the proposed temporary appropriation budget for the year 2011 and reviewed the details line by line. The "Other "line in the General Fund included \$ 3,000 for employing Sheriff's Deputies to patrol the Village at various times during the year 2011. Mayor Johnston indicated that Richland Township would possibly contribute \$ 1,000 toward the patrolling.

Councilwoman Fulmer asked whether we had any data on the results of the patrols during 2010 such as arrests, etc. Mayor Johnston said we did not. Councilwoman Fulmer then said that maybe we could use some of the funds to set up "Neighborhood Watches ". Councilman Plikerd indicated that he already watches neighbor's properties when they are away. The Mayor indicated that these funds would be used only for patrolling the Village.

After some discussion Councilman Lowery recommended that the Village appropriate \$ 5,000.

The other item which had substantial discussion was the amount of \$ 5,000 budgeted for repair of the Depot. Councilman Bednarki indicated that the funds should be raised for this purpose and he thought that this could be done. The Mayor asked Councilwoman Fulmer whether she wanted to spend \$ 3,000 on the Depot or not. Councilwoman Fulmer indicated that people should have a chance to contribute to repairing the Depot and not spend Village Funds.

Mayor Johnston then asked the other Council persons their view on appropriating \$ 3,000 for repair of the Depot. Council persons Campbell, Bednarki, Lowery, Roebuck, and Plikerd all agreed that \$ 3,000 should be appropriated.

Councilwoman Fulmer then asked whether we will still spend \$ 6,000 on cutting down and replacing Ash Trees if we do not get the Grant? Mayor Johnston indicated that all she could get from Council was verbal comments.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of passing Ordinance 2010-08 On its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilman Lowery. Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed 5 - 1
Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pass Ordinance 2010 - 08 on its first and only reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Ordinance 2010 is an Ordinance approving the temporary Appropriation Budget for 2011 in the amount of \$ 663,839.08.

Roll Call:

Rhonda Fulmer - NO
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed 5 - 1

Other Items:

The Village Administrator asked permission to advertise for bids to sell the 1993 Ford Pickup Truck for a minimum bid of \$ 1,500. The truck is in need of a battery and new exhaust system. Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to approve the sale. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call:
All Ayes. Motion passed.


The Administrator also asked for permission to sell the lift at the Haley Building to the person making The best offer. Councilman Lowery made a motion to approve the sale. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Fulmer asked if some payments are made before being approved by Council and she was told that they were and she asked if this was good oversight. Mayor Johnston said that you have to have confidence in the people paying the bills. The Fiscal Officer indicated that there is a second signature required on all checks and that Councilman Lowery reviews the bank reconciliations monthly.

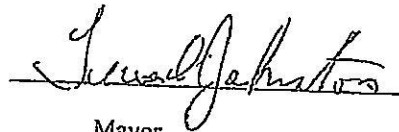
Councilwoman Fulmer said she was told that with the UAN system that you can download various reports. The Mayor said that the Fund analysis report came from the UAN system and that the system provided the data for all reports.

Councilwoman Fulmer then indicated that the application for the 50/50 grant was submitted for Ash tree removal and replacement.

With no further business before Council, Councilman Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Plikerd. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 8:20 P.M.



Fiscal Officer



Mayor

December 14, 2010