

Belle Center Village Council January 15, 2013

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Rhonda Fulmer presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Persons present were John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Dione Campbell, Rick Bednarki, and Dee McIntosh. Dustin Plikerd was absent... Village officials present were Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Administrator Gerald Houchin, Fiscal Officer Bill McCormick and interim Solicitor Steve Fansler.

Councilman Bednarki made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11, 2012 as amended. Seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Motion passed - 5 - 0

Councilman Bednarki made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting of December 18, 2012. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Motion passed - 5 - 0

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Bednarki.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to elect Rick Bednarki as President Pro Tempore of Council. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Mayor Fulmer then presented her "State of the Village" address. (ATTACHED)

The mayor said that before we advertise to fill the jobs held by Bill McCormick that the Council needs to accept his resignation.

Councilman Lowery made a motion to accept Mr. McCormick's resignation of the 3 jobs held. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Since solicitor Schrader has no contract since 2008 and he asked to be taken off OPERS in 2011 it was recommended that Council approve his appointment for 2013 at a rate of pay at \$ 945.00 per quarter as an independent contractor.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to appoint Chris Schrader as Village solicitor for the year 2013 at a rate of pay of \$ 945.00 as an independent contractor. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

The mayor felt that the approval of the personal information policy during the special meeting on December 18, 2012 was in violation of the "Sunshine Law" so Mr. Fansler said that it should be approved at this meeting.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to approve the policy for the personal information. Seconded by Councilwoman Mc Intosh.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

The Mayor asked that a post audit exit conference be held at the completion of the audit for the Mayor and council.

The Mayor has checked with other villages in the county regarding the processing of local income taxes and found that only De Graff and Belle Center handled them in house. The others used either RITA or CCA except Lakeview which used a public accounting firm. The rates for CCA averaged about 3-5 % of the amount received. The mayor said that the village could save \$ 5,000 - \$ 10,000 over our current cost which includes payroll cost and annual cost for the software used.

No decision was made on the income tax. Councilman Bednarki said he does not like outsourcing and needs more information before he would approve outsourcing.

The Mayor said that we need to advertise for the Fiscal Officer's replacement soon so that the person can go to training in March or April. She indicated that Bill had not changed his date but he would not leave without a replacement in place and trained

Mr. Fansler said that if the person picked for Bill's job was not a resident of Belle Center that Council would have to pass an Ordinance approving a non-resident for the position. The Council has 6 months to pass an Ordinance as defined by state law. The person will be appointed by the Mayor and approved by Council.

No committees were appointed at this meeting and Mr. Bednarki and the Mayor will meet before the next meeting to name the committees so Council can review and approve at the next meeting to be held on February 12.

Administrator:

Repaired water leak on N. Center Street
He asked council whether he could ask Troy Jenkins if he was interested in the Zoning Inspector ' position
and they said yes
He had asked Vic Deere about repairing the grinder pumps but Mr. Deere told Frank Harrod that
He would not have time to do the job.
A repair station for repairing grinder pumps needs to be relocated.
He is checking with the state regarding installing "Library "signs on Rt.273
He is checking with the Engineering firm about inspecting the water tower.
Christmas decorations will be taken down as soon as possible.
Five new grinder pumps have been purchased
We need to work on the drainage ditch on W. Main Street
We have 21 drain basins in the Village which need replaced.
The dump truck needs over \$ 1,200 in repairs which he did not approve.
The vents on the pumps at the water department have been replaced.
A decision has to be made on the hiring of a third full time hourly position.
Alleys will be repaired this year from the county sales tax funds.
Issue 2 money (used to repair streets) will be received in the year 2014.

Fiscal Officer:

Tonnage to Landfill – 2012 – 414 – 2011 – 428 Rate per ton increased 5.17 % over the rate for 2012
and is scheduled to increase approximately 5 % in 2013.
The cash summary by fund was passed out and the balance at the beginning of 2012 for all the funds was \$
474,205.80 and \$ 506,093.46 at the end of the year.
There were no purchase orders to be signed.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Roebuck indicated that she had received complaints about the snow removal
and was told that grit is only put down at intersections. The Administrator said that Councilman Plikerd
helped plow. The Mayor said we needed backups for plowing

Councilman Bednarki said that the clock for the Depot was donated by Orville Stachler.

With no other business before Councilman Lowery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman
Bednarki. Roll Call: All Ayes. Adjourned at 8:35 PM
Next meeting will be on February 12, 2013.

W.B. Mc Cosmick

Fiscal Officer

Mayor R. Rondeau Johnson

Mayor

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer's "State of the Village Address"— 1/15/2013

Starting balance for 2013 (\$ 506,093.46)

Estimated Revenue for 2013 (\$ 590,103)

2013 Estimated Expenditures (\$ 632,162.08)

For Better or Worse List of 2012

1. Village purchased DP & L 's railroad property
2. Outside of Depot nearly finished and 2012 Donations for the Depot surpassed 2012 appropriations
3. 100 % grant from Logan County Commissioners of \$ 50,657 for the demolition of the Haley Building & ADA sidewalks was implemented
4. Extensive storm sewer drain & catch basin replacement was implemented & appears to be successful
5. Council passed Council Rules
6. Council passed \$ 5 rate increase for Sewer Debt and operating expenses effective May 2012 (permanently)
7. Several loads of gravel donated by Shellys and Storm Trucking for downtown improvement & Recycling Center Drive
8. Replacement of some of the village signs with Retroreflective signs
9. Sizable share of profit dividends from Solid Waste from our Recycling Center recyclables'
10. Sizable increase in our 2012 Income Tax for the Village (but I feel there is still a significant amount of residents who are unemployed , underemployed , or retired who are still struggling to make ends meet)
11. Cotterman's Roofing replaced Office roof for \$ 8,370
12. Watering system for Grant trees was implemented by volunteers and still needs continued this year
13. We received 7 th. year award from Tree City and celebrated Arbor Day in the village
14. Longtime employee Jack Brown resigned and also Ed Patterson
15. Continuation of extra patrolling from the Sheriff's Department
16. Passed EPA Water Plant Inspection due to the efforts of Water Superintendent John Linson

On The Agenda for 2013

1. Water tower inspection in the Fall

2. Disaster Plan implemented by the Village
3. Walking track Repair done
4. Fill new positions of employment – We received the resignation of Bill McCormick for Fiscal Officer , clerk and tax administrator effective June 22 , 2013 so these positions need filled

In our attempt to move forward in attaining a balanced budget with priority spending and projected expenditures & revenue for 2013 my recommendation as Mayor, is that we do not have the available funds without assistance or grants to hire another full time employee for water, sewer, street, etc. and it is imperative that "Part Time " help must be kept to a minimum to make this possible in the near future. We need to keep moving forward in our efforts to maintain the Village and attract new residents and new business for the future.

Questions and Answers after address

Mr. Bednarki asked if I stated there were no funds for a full time employee and I stated Another sentence I had written but not stated of the "Village Address "which was; "We have a projected \$ 42,000 2013 deficit and have allowed only \$ 23,000 included in our 2013 budget for this position."

Mr. McCormick added ½ (or \$20,000) was due to debt fund for sewer included in the projected Budget of 2013.

Belle Center Village Council February 12, 2013

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Councilwoman Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 15 Seconded by Councilwoman McIntosh.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES

Motion passed - 5 - 0 Councilman Plikerd was absent at the January meeting and could not vote.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed - 6 - 0

At this time Bob Pollock presented the proposal for Pollock Accounting to process the Income Tax System for the Village of Belle Center. He proposed that his firm will receive 8% of the gross proceeds from the Village and that the Village should pay for the tax forms and cost of mailing. He indicated that he could provide the "local touch" that the other organizations could not. He has had no experience in municipal collections, delinquent collections and cannot access cross filing information from the IRS.

The Fiscal Officer then indicated that Pollock Accounting took over the income tax from Lewis Hughes several years ago and that the Clerk (Steve Moore) at that time was not happy and asked Council for permission to bring it "in house" which was done. Mr. Pollock said that he was not that involved in the business at that time and that things had improved and that he and his wife were the 2 operating the business and could perform the job fine.

Chuck Hawk from RITA (Regional Income Tax Agency) then made a presentation of what his organization could provide to the Village. He said that the Agency was formed in 1971 and that the home office was located in Brecksville, Ohio. He estimated a cost to the Village of 3.9% of gross proceeds or between \$ 4,000 & \$ 4,200 based in information provided him by Bill McCormick.

He provided much information regarding the advantages that RITA could provide such as on line filing, Tax payer assistance, Information from the IRS and State regarding tax returns filed, access on line to the Fiscal Officer and to residents and could provide assistance on delinquent accounts.

He indicated that they were capable of starting in July. He said that they provide exceptional customer service, Technology, Interface with the IRS and provide all the mailings in their cost. He said that they should be able to upload information from the Village software since they had work with

the "Governmental System "which is the software used by the Village.

The Mayor said that CCA (Central Collection Agency) estimated that their cost to the Village would be approximately 2 – 5 %, provide cross filing free mailings and on line filing. The Mayor then presented information of what the other villages in Logan County use for collecting income tax and their estimated cost of collections as a % of gross revenues. .She estimated that the cost of the current method in Belle Center is between 14 & 15 %.

Attorney Fansler indicated that Villages that he works with have had a good experience with RITA but emphasized that he was not promoting RITA.

The Mayor then asked Council whether they wanted to outsource the income tax or not and that the decision who to go with did not have to be made tonight. The Fiscal Officer said that a decision has to be made because June 22 was coming and he did not want to continue to handle the taxes after that date and the Village would lose another month.

After some discussion Councilman Lowery made a motion to contract the income tax to Pollock Accounting as soon as possible but no later than June 22 nd.. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck. Councilman Plikerd said that we could probably negotiate with Mr. Pollock regarding the mailing cost. The Fiscal Officer said that we have to be convinced that Pollock Accounting can do it.

The Fiscal Officer said that we need a contract before proceeding and asked Mr. Fansler about preparing and, of course, the Village would pay him for preparing the contract.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed – 6 – 0

Administrator:

Mr. Houchin said that Troy Jenkins was not interested in the Zoning Inspector's position for the Village and he was recommending that Frank Harrod be appointed to the position. He also felt that the pay for the position should be increased from \$ 10 / permit to \$ 20 / permit which meant that the cost for obtaining a building permit needs to be increased.

Councilwoman Campbell made a motion to appoint Frank Harrod as the Belle Center Zoning Inspector at the current rate which needs to be addressed very soon. Seconded by Councilwoman Roebuck.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed – 6 – 0

Mr. Houchin said that he had a contract from Nelson Engineering to inspect the water tower with a cost of \$ 2,100 for a visual inspection. The cost of a ROV inspection would be \$ 2,300. He would get the inspection during the Spring. There would be approximately 4 days when the water plant would have to be manned 24 hours per day with the visual inspection.

Councilwoman McIntosh made a motion to accept the contract with the visual inspection at a cost of \$ 2,100. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed – 6 – 0

He then brought up the subject of mowing since it is obvious that the third full-time position is not going to be filled for a while. He had a contract from Kip May for \$ 335 / mowing and he would provide all the equipment and fuel and would include trimming. After some discussion Mr. Houchin was instructed to get a second estimate from Ralph Hall, Jr.

Mr. Houchin said that he thought the “ Junk Car “ ordinance needed revised and was asking Mr. Fansler to prepare the new Ordinance.

Fiscal Officer:

The Fiscal officer passed out the cash summary by Fund and indicated that the reduction for the month of January was due to the 2 Loan payments: OWDA loan - \$ 69,021.09 & OPWC loan - \$ 6,250.00... He passed out an analysis of the OWDA loan fund and indicated that he had contacted the Logan County Auditor regarding the amounts on the sewer assessments and was told that the principal amount is the same amount every year and that the interest amount gets lower every year. Based on this the fund will not go negative until approximately the year 2021 with no rate increases.

The Fiscal Officer then passed out a draft for the ad for his replacement. The Mayor asked if the wording in the Ohio Revised Code for the Fiscal Officer's duties should be in the ad. Mr. Fansler indicated that the wording in the draft covered the important parts of the position and gave Council the sections of the ORC which pertains to the position which are 733.261 & 733.262.

The Mayor indicated that the current salary for Fiscal Officer and Utility Clerk was a total of \$ 15,200.

The decision was that all resumes had to be received by March 11 and that the ads would be run twice / week in Examiner and once/week in the Kenton paper for 3 weeks.

The Fiscal Officer said that the Bank Depository agreement with the Union Banking Company for the period 2/13/2013 – 2/13/2018. The Fiscal Officer reminded the Council that the Bank does not charge the Village for collecting Utility payments and many payments are made there.

Councilman Plikerd made a motion to approve the depository agreement and have the Mayor sign it. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed – 6 – 0

The Mayor reported that the contract with the Sheriff's Department for extra patrol in the Village needs signed; this item was in the budget. Richland Township will be contributing \$ 1,000 for this patrol.

The Mayor reported that the Village ended up with a surplus of \$ 32,000 instead of the \$ 23,000 deficit previously reported. This was the first time since before 2006 that the Village receipts exceeded

expenditures.

Committee appointments were presented by the Mayor and President ProTempore (Rick Bednarki) After some discussion and changes Council Lowery made a motion to approve the appointments as modified. Seconded by Councilwoman Campbell.

Roll Call:

Dee McIntosh - YES
Garnet Roebuck - YES
Dione Campbell - YES

John Lowery - YES
Rick Bednarki - YES
Dustin Plikerd - YES

Motion passed - 6 - 0

Other Items - Council:

Councilwoman Campbell discussed the fact that the nets for the soccer goals were very late in being removed and that the Village would like the trash containers to be emptied.

With no more items to be brought before Council Councilman Plikerd made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Mc Intosh. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion passed. Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

W.B. Mc Cormack Mayor Phande Palmer
Fiscal Officer Mayor

BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

March 12, 2013

Meeting Called to order by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: John Lowery, Garnet Reobuck, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, and Dustin Plikerd.

Village officer present: Mayor Fulmer, Village administrator Gerald Houchin and Fiscal officer Bill McCormick, Village Solicitor Steve Fansler

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as written, Motion to approve minutes by Garnet

Reobuck, seconded by Dustin Plikerd.

Vote all yeas.

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay the bills, Dee McIntosh second.

Vote all yeas.

Mayor Fulmer discussed with fiscal officer Mr. McCormick the income tax local company Polluck firm, they didn't have the software to do taxes. Bill McCormick recommended looking into village selling the software to Polluck. Mayor Fulmer stated she checked on this and the village can't sell the software.

Two Income Tax companies, C.C.A. and RITA were present as council requested.

The Mayor stated that she was also informed that private accounting firms could not legally act as a Tax firm for the village, if the possibility of the firm doing village accounts for residents.

Steve Fansler stated that Polluck had 28 accounts and that was unacceptable.

Logan County Commissioner Dustin Wickersham was present to update council about the repairs to the Courthouse. He also stated that the Carnegie Building is being used to hold all the offices right now.

Mr. Wickersham, presented council with a community recycling rewards check of \$1,094. Mayor Fulmer

Thanked Mr. Wickersham for the check and his time.

Mayor Fulmer, introduced C.C.A. reps to the council, Bob Meeker and two other associates from his

Cleveland office. The company discussed their proposal for the village income tax.

Mayor Fulmer then introduced the next company rep, from the RITA company Tori Grochell.

Mr. Grochell, highlighted the main differences from the two companies and that RITA is governed

By regional municipalities. Ms. Grochell, stated RITA has a Board of Trustees and our village controls the Ordinance and RITA would work with the residents on penalties on penalties and interents.

Bill McCormick brought forth a Resolution for a co-op purchasing program authorizing Belle Center.

To participate in state purchasing program for equipment, pay vendors(if they are members)and get Lower bids.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve resolution 2013-01 and Rick Bednarki second. Discussion.

Steve Fansler said, we didn't have to use it buy it was best to participate.

Vote all yeas.

Discussion on the table about C.C.A. and RITA companies.

Mayor Fulmer stated, currently we are paying \$15,000 in house for this service. \$14,620 plus a few more Hundred for postage.

Mayor also said,that the fiscal officer is being paid \$15,200 currently. Mr. McCormick worked 20 hrs plus Income tax.

Discussion Steve Fansler will handle contract. Mr. Fansler stated he changed the West Mansfield contract from 36 pages to 8.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to rescind a verbal contract made last month with the Polluck firm for legality issues. Second by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote

Dee McIntosh	yes	Rick Bednarki	yes
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Dione Campbell	Yes	John Lowery	No
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Garnet Roebuck	Yes	Dustin Plikerd	No
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Motion 5/1

Motion made to by Dustin Plikerd to enter into a contract for Income taxes with the RITA company. Dione Campbell second.

Vote all yeas.

Motion made by Dee McIntosh to financially compensate Mr. Fansler for contract with RITA company.

Second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas

Mayor Fulmer asked council to pass the permanent budget for 2013 tonight. Bill McCormick, stated no to final appropriations, because there might be a lot of changes. He suggested a special meeting to pass it.

Village Administrator Gerald Houchin, talked about the junk vehicles ordinance. Steve Fansler wrote a new one for \$150.00 misdemeanor. 2013-01

Motion to suspend the three reading rule for Ordinance 2013-01 for junk vehicles made by Dustin Plikerd, second by Dee McIntosh

Vote all yeas.

Motion to Pass Ordinance 2013-01 on the first reading made by Dustin Plikerd, second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas

Village Administrator Gerald Houchin talked about the mowing and trimming for Belle Center.

Mayor asked if any in house employee on part time would like to do this job?

Discussion was on the mowers and gas. Total number of mowings are 11 for 3 months.

Fran's company had a quote at \$355.00 a mowing. Lawns Plus was at \$335.00 a mowing.

Dustin Plikerd stated the grass at the parks was very high last year and it looked terrible.

Dustin made a motion to hire Lawns Plus per needed property at the agreed rate of \$355.00, seconded

By Dione Campbell.

Vote all yeas

Mayor noted about the E.P.A. posting and a meeting to be held at J.V.S. representatives of council to go

For a E.M.A. hazard mitigation meeting.

Mayor decided she would go.

Mayor Fulmer discussed she had around 30 resume's for the fiscal officers job. She appointed member below for a committee to interview.

Dustin Plikerd

Bill McCormick

Rick Bednarki

Mayor Fulmer

Mayor Fulmer stated she had to resume's down to 3 most qualified. Committee will meet Monday March 18,2013 at 7 p.m.

Discussion at the meeting will be for the fiscal officer position, council set wages, set hours, how may days etc. Bill McCormick stated, pay should be based on qualifications.

Mayor stated 3 applicants served as or currently serves as fiscal officer Bill McCormick stated he couldn't train someone in 2 weeks, we have more going on in Belle Center with the utilities and income tax.

Rick Bednarki made a motion to stop audio tapes april 1, 2013 at Council meeting for minutes,he stated it was to time consuming for fiscal officer.

Second by Dustin Plikerd

Vote all yeas

Next meeting is april 9, 2013

Motion to adjourn made by Garnet Roebuck , second by Dione Campbell

Vote all yeas

Approved by Mayor Fulmer, March 30, 2013

Council_____

Fiscal Officer_____

Belle Center Special Meeting of Council

March 26, 2013

for Permanent 2013 Budget Approval and
personnel position.

The Belle Center Village Council met in Special Session with Mayor Rhonda Fulmer presiding.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Dee McIntosh, Garnet Roebuck, Dione Campbell, John Lowery and Rick Bednarki, Dustin Plikerd.

Village Officers, present Mayor Fulmer, Fiscal Officer Bill McCormick, Solicitor Steve Fansler

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer and Fiscal Officer Bill McCormick brought forth the perm budget
to be discussed. Changes from temp to permanent budget are as follows: General Fund
engineering service \$2,100, legal services for water tower inspection .

Motion to suspend the three reading rule for the 2013-02 (1st and only reading)

Dustin Plikerd made the motion and Dione Campbell second. all yeas motion carried.

Motion to pass the appropriations for 2013-02 budget. Dustin Plikerd made the motion,

John seconded it,

Discussion BMRT pays \$50.00 rent ,not \$60.00 a month. \$10.645 for 5 sewer pumps not \$12,000

Income Tax administrator reduced audit services reduced \$10,000 put under miscellaneous
from not hiring a 3rd employee. Mowing fees \$4,020 for 11 mowings. Mr. McCormick stated
the temporary and the permanent budget os about the same, \$630,149 original to \$629,392
permanent.

A \$40,764 deficient budget is projected for 2013.

Mr. McCormick projected all funds will have a positive balance at the end of the year.

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer protests the 2013 budget appropriations due to the fact it does not

project a balanced budget.

Motion to pass the 2013 Budget appropriations made by Dustin Plikerd and seconded by

John Lowery.

vote;

Dee McIntosh	Yes	John Lowery	Yes
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Garnet Roebuck	Yes	Rick Bednarki	Yes
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Dione Campbell	Yes	Dustin Plikerd	Yes
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Mayor brought the second issue to the table:

All of council received the most recent resignation of Bill McCormick.

After some discussed a motion was made by Dustin Plikerd to accept his resignation

seconded by Dione Campbell, Vote:

Dee McIntosh	Yes	John Lowery	No
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Garnet Roebuck	No	Rick Bednarki	No
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Dione Campbell	Yes	Dustin Plikerd	Yes
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Mayor Rhonda Fulmer ,broke the tie with a yes vote.

Mayor Fulmer stated that she appointed Cindy Longbrake for the temporary replacement

for the fiscal officer position.

Mayor ask for a motion to approve Cindy Longbrake for the fiscal officer job, until a permanent replacement could be made.

Rick Bednarki wants the minutes to reflect that the council was mislead about confirming

Fiscal officer.

Rick Bednarki council president stated he would not vote on any confirmation without a lawyer

being present.After discussion on a law book and council set silent, no action was taken to confirm

Mrs. Longbrake.

The Mayor stated, after Friday Mar 29, 2013 someone needed to take over for the village business

.Mr. Bednarki suggested someone from the state be brought in. The Mayor stated that she had 3 resume's

for the position that had some experience of being a fiscal officer, 2 already had full time work, so she ask Mrs. Longbrake to serve temporary as she had previously served as a fiscal officer. Mr McCormick agreed to accept \$15.00 a hour at the end of the time for training and for finishing the taxes that will to forwarded to RITA.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to compensate Mr Bill McCormick at \$50.00 a hour for these services and Rick Bednarki second it. Mr. Bednarki stated that Mr McCormicks rate of payment should increase following his resignation. Mayor Rhonda Fulmer asked if this excessive hourly wage was in the 2013 budget that had just been approved?

Dustin Plikerd stated, \$10,000 is in the miscellaneous fund and that could cover the wages and fees and that would cost more is someone was brought in from the state.

Motion passes with all yeas,

Mayor stated that the fiscal officers compensation had already been included in the 2013 budget unless council wished to adjust it for a temporary replacement. Rick Bednarki wanted to set it with a hourly wage and with a time card. Mrs. Longbrake stated that she would except the postion for \$15.00 a hour. Dustin Plikerd stated the budget would be blown.

Rick Bednarki made a motion for a Temporary fiscal officer(not necessary Mrs. Longbrake)

ber paid \$15.00 a hour ,second by Dee McIntosh.

Vote:

Dee McIntosh	Yes	John Lowery	Yes
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Garnet Roebuck	Yes	Rick Bednarki	Yes
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Dione Campbell	Yes	Dustin Plikerd	No
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Motion Passed 5/4

Motion to adjoin made by Dustin Plikerd, second by John Lowery vote all yeas

Next meeting is April 9, 2013

Approved, date _____

_____ Council

_____ Mayor

_____ Fiscal Officer

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER

SPECIAL MEETING

APRIL 8, 2013

7.00.P.M.

Belle Center council met in special session for the purpose of electing a new Solicitor.

Roll Call of council Garnet Roebuck, John Lowery, Dustin Plikerd, Dione Campbell Dee McIntosh and Rick Bednarki.

Village officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Fiscal Officer absent (no one in position) Village Administrator Gerald Houchin absent, Village Solicitors Absent.

Motion by Garnet Roebuck to retain Steve Fansler as the Village Solicitor, second by Dione Campbell.

Discussion: Was concern for OPERS, Wages, length on contract, council stated 2 years. Mayor stated, 6 months to a year depending on finances. Council stated, they would not hire Mr. Fansler for no less than two years.

Mayor made an appointment for Mr. Fansler to be the new solicitor for Belle Center. Council voted to confirm.


Vote all yeas

Motion to adjourn John Lowery seconded by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas.

Next regular meeting of council is April 9, 2013

Minutes approved by _____

Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake 

Mr. Steve Fansler

May 16, 2013

Good Morning, I'm faxing you a copy of the of April 8,2013 minutes.

The Mayor refused to sign them, instead she wrote on my minutes.. This is illegal according to The O.R. C. I feel that she doesn't have the right to put a handwritten note on the bottom of my Minutes that council approved.

Please write and fax me back your comments on this. So I can have them in writing.

Should I send a copy of this to the Local Government Services Office?

Thank you

Cindy Longbrake

Fiscal Officer

Village of Belle Center

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER

SPECIAL MEETING

APRIL 8, 2013

7.00.P.M.

Belle Center council met in special session for the purpose of electing a new Solicitor.

Roll Call of council Garnet Roebuck, John Lowery, Dustin Plikerd, Dione Campbell Dee McIntosh and Rick Bednarki.

Village officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Fiscal Officer absent (no one in position) Village Administrator Gerald Houchin absent, Village Solicitors Absent.

Motion by Garnet Roebuck to retain Steve Fansler as the Village Solicitor, second by Dione Campbell.

Discussion: Was concern for OPERS, Wages, length on contract, council stated 2 years. Mayor stated, 6 months to a year depending on finances. Council stated, they would not hire Mr. Fansler for no less than two years.

Mayor made an appointment for Mr. Fansler to be the new solicitor for Belle Center. Council voted to confirm.

Vote all yeas

Motion to adjourn John Lowery seconded by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas.

Next regular meeting of council is April 9, 2013

Minutes approved by _____

Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake _____

the minutes I wrote
on had not been
signed just copied
by Mrs Longbrake

I feel the minutes were inadequate!
I, Mayor Fulmer, do not approve the
April 8, 2013 minutes for these reasons as were stated
at the meeting. (1) There was only \$4,000 for legal fees in 2013 budget
& Mr. Fansler's proposal was for about \$8,000. We were currently paying
\$3748 a yr with no Opers. There was no fiscal officer present or
employed by the Village to confirm extra funds were available or do a
transfer or do a supplemental, and Council has no authority to do this,
(plus we have a non delinquent already projected) So Mayor appointed for 1 year.

Please
for in
corrected
approval
of letter
of signature
also to
Pita.

Here is the Portal agreement signed by me. They called me back by conference and explained again, this agreement only gives you access to their system if you choose to use it. It is only an option for you not a requirement for the Village to go with Rita. No tax administrator will be needed after July 1, but can access information to pass on to residents. They will provide any reports for council if needed, once transition period is over. If you don't agree please call Brian on your own or if you have any other questions, or need clarification.

Mr. Farsler was not in on Wed. So I left a message. I approved of the April 9, 2013, and Apr. 22, 2013 minutes as written by you, but not the April 8, 2013 minutes before you were confirmed as fiscal clerk for the reasons stated by me. Please copy and pass out (or I will help if you wish.) You can wait to confirm April 8 & see if Mr. Bednarski has authority to sign if you want.

Mayor Randy Falsen May 15
2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 9,2013

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Garnet Roebuck, Dione Cambell,John Lowery,Rick Bednarki,and Dustin Plikerd.

Village Officers: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer,Village Solicitor Steve Fansler,Fiscal Officer Cindy LongbrakeVillage Administrator Gerald Houchin.

Motion to accept and approve Minutes for March 12, 2013 made be Dustin Plikerd ,second by Rick Bednarki,

Vote all yeas

Motion to accept and approve Minutes for March 26,2013 as amended made by Dustin Plikerd and Second by Dee McIntosh

Vote Dee McIntosh yea Rick Bednarki yea

Dione Campbel l yea John Lowery Yea

Garnet Roebuck no Dustin Plikerd yea

Motion passed 5/1

Village Administrator Gerald Houchin asked for the appropriate paper work for 227 W.Main St for removal,(sighting)of junk vehicle.

Motion made by Dione Campbell and second by Rick Bednarki to get the proper paperwork

Vote all yeas.

Mayor Fulmer stated that council needed to confirm Cynthia Longbrake as the Temporary Fiscal Officer

Rick Bednarki made a motion to confirm Mrs.Longbrake as Temporary Fiscal Officer, second by Dione Campbell.

Vote all yeas.

Village Solicitor Steve Fansler stated ,council places in positon with Mayor appointment who will train temporary Fiscal Officer.

Gerald Houchin stated that he and the Mayor picked up utility payments from the bank and the drop box.

Steve Fansler, stated R.I.T.A. is ready to start getting paperwork in order.

Motion made by Dustin Plikerd to suspend the 3 reading rule on a emergency measure for ordinance 2013-03 second by Rick Bednarki.

Vote all yeas

Motion to except Ordinance 2013-03 with RITA (as a cost saving effect for the village)on a emergency measure made by Dustin Plikerd and second by Dione Campbell.

Vote all yeas

Village Solicitor Steve Fansler stated this is a 10% savings.

Deputy Randy Dodds was present to explain to council about several sexual offenders that live in the village. He talked about some of their rights and he explained that Deputy Phil Bailey handles all the cases for sexual offenders if we have any questions.

Gerald Houchin will be checking on the Noise Ordinance.

Council received Chris Schraders resignation in the mail before he passed away.

CLEAN UP week for the village will be April 29 thru May 3, 2013.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to transfer \$4,000 from the Misc Fund to Legal Council fund to cover Steve Fansler's pay ,second by Rick Bednarki.

Vote all yeas.

ORDINANCE 2013-04

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to suspend the 3 reading rule to hire Steve Fansler as the village Solicitor second by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote all yeas.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to accept Ordinance 2013-04 to hire Steve Fansler as Village Solicitor for the remainder of the 2013 calendar year and the full year of 2014.

Second by Dione Campbell

Vote all yeas.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to rescind his previous motion to pay Bill McCormick \$50.00 a hour to train temporary Fiscal Officer,second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park-Tree Banquet is April 18, 2013 ,Price is \$20.00 a piece to go to banquet.

Garnet Roebuck, talked about sewer rates, Gerald Houchins talked about the ground water getting into sewer pits and they have to be sealed.

Mr. Houchin stated we have 13 grinders not working.

They village has 285 punps, 157 stations and the age of most pumps are from 2002. Mr. Houchin stated that we need to start discussing increases for sewer rates to keep up with the maintenance of our system. Fiscal Officer Mrs.Longbrake,said she would work on some figures for the next council meeting.

Mayor Fulmer stated that Mr. Hale checked on amount of recycling check that the village received and the amount was correct.

Recycling Center needs bags for the Little Red Mill. Ms. Meyers from the audience said, she would help out with that.

Discussion from the audience, Letter to residents from the Mayor and the sewer rates.

Residents at the meeting seemed to be in favor of the rate increase for the sewer.

Dustin Plikerd asked Mayor Fulmer, if he could be dismissed from the meeting at 9.10p.m.

Mayor Fulmer, gave her permission.

Mext council meeting will be changed. Dee McIntosh made a motion to change the council meeting to May 9, 2013 at 7.00p.m.,so that the village solicitor can be present second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas 5/0 Dustin Plikerd absent.

Rick Bednarki,made a motion to let council use the copy machine, second by John Lowery.

Vote all yeas 5/0 Dustin Plikerd absent.

John Lowery made a motion to adjourn this meeting second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas 5/0 Dustin Plikerd absent.

Approved

Mayor R. Fulmer

May 15,
2013

Fiscal officer Cynthia Longbrake

Belle Center Special Council Meeting

April 22, 2013

7:00p.m.

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Garnet Roebuck, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Rick Bednarki, and Dustin Plikerd.

Village officials present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer and Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake.

Village officials not present: Village solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Belle Center Council met in a Special Meeting to discuss and approve Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake as a official check signer.

Motion to make Fiscal officer Cynthia Longbrake a check signer made by Dione Campbell and second by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote all yeas.

Motion to buy a new computer from Phenx Data Solutions made by Rick Bednarki and second by John Lowery.

Discussion: Dustin Plikerd asked for a recommendation from Mayor for purchase, she declined a recommendation and refrain to fiscal officer for her recommendation. Mrs. Longbrake stated that

Chuck Hessor, repairman for Phenx stated that our computer is over 9 years old and that the system could go down at any time.

Vote

Dee McIntosh	Yes	Dione Campbell	Yes
Rick Bednarki	Yes	John Lowery	Yes
Garnet Roebuck	Yes	Dustin Plikerd	No

Motion passed 5/1

Motion to adjourn made by John Lowery and second by Rick Bednarki

Vote all yeas.

Minutes approved by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer
Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake
May 15, 2013

MAY 9, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

7.00P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin, Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake.

Dione Campbell made a motion that the Mayor doesn't record the council meeting. Solicitor Fansler stated that nothing prohibits the taping of a public meeting. But it is not considered an official record. Motion was not seconded and no action was taken on the motion.

Motion to accept Minutes of April 8, 2013, made by Garnet Roebuck Second Dione Campbell. Vote

Dee McIntosh, yea Rick Bednarki, yea, Dione Campbell yea, John Lowery yea Garnet Roebuck yea and Dustin Plikerd na Vote passed 5/1

Dee McIntosh asked Mr. Fansler, what it takes to get off council? Mr. Fansler said, he would check in on this. Mr. Fansler stated that council has 30 days to find someone to take the seat. Mr. Fansler will check to see if we have to advertise for the position.

Motion to accept and amend, April 9, 2013 minutes with addition, made by Dione Campbell seconded by Rick Bednarki.

Vote Dee McIntosh yea, Dione Campbell yea, Rick Bednarki yea, John Lowery yea, Garnet Roebuck yea, and Dustin Plikerd no.

Motion Carried

Motion to accept April 22, 2013 minutes for Special Meeting made by Garnet Roebuck and second by Dione Campbell.

Vote Dee McIntosh yea, Dione Campbell yea, Rick Bednarki yea, John Lowery yeas Garnet Roebuck yea and Dustin Plikerd , No

Motion carried.

Motion made by Rick Bednarki to pay bills second by Dustin Plikerd

Vote All Yeas

Allied Trash Rep, Terry Thompson and Season Wall stated that Allied Trash new name is Republic Services and they are still a local company with local people working for them.

Mr. Thompson had a proposal for the village to look at. He stated that his company can bring in one truck and one driver to collect trash in town one day a week. He stated the proposal was an option for the village and would be an alternative investment then buying a new truck and new dumpsters.

Mr. Thompson stated that the company would charge the village \$ 11.95 per residents and had no quote for the businesses in town yet.

Rick Bednarki asked Mr. Thompson over the last 10 years how much has the prices changed? Mr. Thompson stated that prices do change Mayor Fulmer said, that \$24,000 in tonnage for the landfill(2012 and the cost in going up every year. She also stated that maintenance on tires, clutch, welding, wages for 2 part time and that fuel went up a \$1.00 a gallon in the past year.

Gerald Houchin said, that the Ordinance would have to be revoked, it doesn't read for a 3rd party to pick up the trash in the village. Mr. Fansler and the Mayor stated that the Ordinance can be amended..

Mr. Thompson stated that their company would pick up 3 bags a week from the residents. Extra Bags can be bought in a roll of 10 bags and that the bags retail for 1.50 each and sell for 2.00 each.

Mr. Thompson stated that for a price they will pick up all extra haul.

John Lowery stated that would keep us from having to increase trash rates for up to 3 years.

Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake stated that some wages and withholding do come out of this fund. Mayor stated that the village could get extra money from the extra haul and PAYT to offset the wages and withholding. Fiscal Officer ask for this to go to the committee for discussion.

Chris Clark Director of W.P.C. came with Ron Jacobs operation manager to discuss the I&I (Inflow and Infiltration) problems that the village is having. He talked about yard drains, sump pumps and ground water, he stated that we need to enforce our Ordinance about anyone that is illegally connected to the sewer.

He said, the village should take the time to send out a copy of the Ordinance with June utility bills.

He stated that this is the property owners responsibility to fix this problem. Mayor Fulmer asked if the sump pumps can be redirected.

Fiscal Officer asked for a letter to add to utility bills . Mr. Clark stated he would get me one.

Gerald Houchin talked about getting I D cards for the workers to go into peoples residents for inspections.

Mr. Clark stated that this is a complex issue, we must go slow and he is training the workers for free. He will still be having a monthly meeting with the village for developing a plan. He stated we need to find the clean water sources and inspect the properties.

Steve Fanslor, asked about how many properties in town have a I&I problem. Mr. Clark stated that with a heavy rain the pumps can't keep up. He stated around 90% is sump pump connections. Next meeting with Mr. Clark is May 23, 2013 at 8 00 a.m.

Troy Jenkins asked if the village could get him a new dumpster for the cemetery. Council suggest that we get 3. Fiscal Officer stated, that we have the money. Dustin Plikerd said, rates should go up on the business's with new dumpsters. Dustin Plikerd stated that the business rates in town were not uniform in price for a 3 yard dumpster.

Gerald Houchin stated the trash rates need to be revamped. Fiscal Officer stated that revamping rates should go thru the enterprise committee.

Motion to buy 3 new dumpster made by Garnet Roebuck and seconded by Dee McIntosh.

Vote all yeas

Troy Jenkins asked if the village would buy 2 loads of sand for the ball park. (\$11.75 per ton)

Motion to buy sand made by Garnet Roebuck and seconded by Rick Bednarki.

Vote all yeas

Gerald Houchin asked if he could have a motion by council to create a street between Buckeye and Main, in front of the depot.

Mr. Houchin also asked for a motion to name the new street Dave Keller Ave. Motion to name street Dave Keller ave by Rick Bednarki and second by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote all yeas

Motion made by Rick Bednarki to create a new street. Seconded by, Dione Campbell.

Vote all yeas

Dustin Plikerd said he has concern about the weight for the street Rick Bednarki said, we would have to make sure we had a good base to start with. And we can use the sales tax money for this.

Gerald Houchin requested, straight pay rate for the part time workers of \$8.50 a hr.

Dione Campbell made a motion for a straight rate of pay for part time workers at \$8.50 an hour. Second by, Garnet Roebuck.

Vote all yeas

May 20, 2013 is the water tower inspection which will go on for 4 days. Mr. Nelson will be with the team. The pumps at the water plant will be manned all 4 days, 24 hours, we will hire extra people for this 4 day job. Nelson's coming in to weld the leak also.

Motion made for Fiscal Officer to have access to the lock box at the bank made by John Lowery and seconded by Rick Bednarki.

Vote all yeas

Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake made a statement that she wanted to thank Mr. McCormick for all his hard work in training her and everything he has done to help transfer all the income tax over to RITA.

The Mayor said, someone from the Public Utility wanted to speak to council on tips about suppliers for electric and gas discounts. Dee McIntosh, Dione Campbell and Dustin Plikerd, said it was not necessary for him to come address council or committee.

Depot work day is May 18, 2013 and depot meeting is May 20, 2013

Depot garage sale is over Memorial weekend behind the little Red Mill.

Mayor Fulmer stated that if we use Greg Stark for transfers with the RITA company it will cost us \$150.00 an hour per contact

Motion made by Dione Campbell to suspend the 3 reading rule. For the purpose to increase the sewer rates by \$5.00. The Mayor and Mr. Fansler stated that you must have 3 readings for an increase on water and sewer rates.

Motion to raise sewer rates by \$5.00 a month by Dione Campbell and Second by Garnet Roebuck.

Mayor asked what the purpose was? and Dione stated for repairs.

Mayor stated, Mr. Yoder had ok'd appropriations passed by council and anticipated revenue based on budget approved April 1, 2013. That we had the money this year to take care of all expenses. Dustin, asked what if there is not enough revenue to sustain the fund? Mayor stated that we had a one time expense of 1,000 to 3,000 for building a pump repair station and 5 new pumps purchased. If we need more new pumps purchased we should have a capital outlay fund.

Gerald Houchin, stated we had to buy over 8,000 worth of repair parts to repair 20+ pumps.

Mayor has a verbatim statement:

In 2010 we put out \$15,762.00 for sewer pump parts, 2011 \$14,439, for sewer pumps parts. 2012 \$11,422.00. We repaired 26 pumps in 2010, 47 in 2011, and 34 in 2012. Mr. Patterson quit in early Dec who was repairing our sewer pumps so of course we have about 20 pumps in need of repair.

Money already cleared in budget approved by council by Mr. Yoder saying that expenditures would not be in excess of the revenue.

Dustin Plikerd said that we are robbing parts off old grinders to fix broken ones ,and that we need over \$1,000 worth of tools for repairs.

Mayor stated that Mrs. Longbrake has collected over \$6,000 in delinquent utility bills not all of this goes into the sewer fund only 1/3. Mayor stated she asked for a current inventory of parts that she didn't get. John Linson said, we could probably use a good percentage of inferior parts. Administrator said we are \$1,000 short on tools to repair pumps. Mayor asked if the Lake gave us tools to use?

Mr. Fansler asked if we now vote on either a sur charge or just an increase.

Fiscal Officer, stated we need a \$5.00 surcharge or we need a 5.00 rate hike to cover all the expensive we our having in the sewer fund.

Mayor's verbatim statement. The last 3 years carry over build up we don't need a surplus and legal council can appropriate the cost to cover the expenses and that's what you did April 1, 2013.

Vote Dee. McIntosh yea, Rick Bednarki yea, Dione Campbell yea, John Lowery Yea, Garnet Roebuck Yea
Dustin Plikerd abstained.

Vote was 5 to 1 abstaining

Next meeting June 11, 2013

Motion to adjourn made by Der. McIntosh and second by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote all yeas

Minutes approved by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Date June 13, 2013

Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake Cynthia Longbrake

May 20, 2013

Village of Belle Center Special Meeting

For the Second Reading of Ordinance 2013-05

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, Garnet Roebuck, Dustin Plikerd & John Lowery

Village Officers Presents: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake.

Purpose of the Special Meeting was a second reading of Ordinance 2013-05 for the sewer increase of \$5.00.

Dione Campbell made a motion to accept ordinance 2013-05 for a second reading second by Rick Bednarki.

Discussion:

Mr Fansler stated from the Ohio Revised Code that any ordinance after being posted will still have a 10 day wait after being posted till it can go in affect. That is according to section 731.20 of the O.R.C.

Mayor Fulmer asked for a revision on the date so that it would reflect the June 30, 2013 date.

Council and the village Fiscal Officer all agreed to change the Ordinance for June 30, 2013.

Mayor Fulmer asked council if after 1 year council can reevaluate the sewer fund.

Fiscal Officer stated to be careful so that account doesn't come under a fiscal caution.

Dustin Plikerd said, that with the \$5.00 raise everyone has to pay equally in town to cover sewer rates.

Mayor Fulmer, stated that council can do what every they want, council has the vote.

Vote : All Yeas for the second reading of Ordinance 2013-05

Motion to adjourn: Dee McIntosh, second by Dustin Plikerd

Vote all yeas.

Minutes approved by Mayor Fulmer

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer date June 12, 2013

Fiscal Officer Cynthia Longbrake

Cynthia Longbrake

EMERGENCY COUNCIL MEETING

BELLE CENTER

JUNE 18, 2013

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL; RICK BEDNARKI, DIONE CAMPBELL, DEE MCINTOSH, JOHN LOWERY, GARNET ROEBUCK AND DUSTIN PLIKERD.

VILLAGE OFFICERS PRESENTS; MAYOR RHONDA FULMER, VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, GERALD HOUGHIN AND FISCAL OFFICER CINDY LONGBRAKE WERE ABSENT.

DISCUSSION RICK BEDNARKI TALK ABOUT ADDING MONEY TO SEWER OPERATING FUND FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

DIONE CAMPBELL- MOTIONED TO TRANSFER \$3,000 TO SEWER OPERATING FUND FROM GENERAL FUND. SECONDED BY RICK BEDNARKI

VOTE 6/0

DEE MCINTOSH MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING GARNET ROEBUCK SECOND

VOTE ALL YEAS

MINUTES APPROVED BY _____ DATE

FISCAL OFFICER *Cindy Longbrake* DATE *7/9/2013*

MINUTES OF THE MEETING TAKEN BY MAYOR RHONDA FULMER

MAYOR FULMER REFUSED TO SIGN THESE MINUTES

Village of Belle Center
Regular Council Meeting

June 11,2013

Meeting call to order by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dione Campbell,Dell McIntosh,Garnet Roebuck,Dustin Plikerd,John Lowery, Rick Bednarki was absent.

Village Officers present, Mayor Ronda Fulmer ,Village Administrator Gerald Houchin,Village Solicitor Steve Fansler.

Motion to accept May 9,2013 minutes.as presented made by Garnet Reobuck,seconded by Dee McIntosh.

Vote 5/0

Motion Passed.

Motion to accept May 20,2013 minutes as presented made by Dustin Plikerd,seconded by Dee McIntosh.

Vote 5/0

Motion Passed

Motion to pay bills made by Dione Campbell,seconded by Garnet Roebuck.

Vote 5/0

Motion Passed.

Mayor reported and review from last council meeting that Republic Services had a purposal for \$11.95 a resident for garbage collections,.

Mr. Fansler stated, we approved the new dumpsters last meeting an on that matter the village has to keep ownership of them. He continued to say that we can take stock on the rates for businesses with dumpsters.

The Mayor requested the following statement in these minutes.

She stated that Mr. Houchin had stated in a previous meeting he wanted a \$2.00 to \$4.00 increase in sewer rates, she continued to state that the council jumped it to a \$5.00 increase. Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake had a report on how dangerously low the sewer fund is getting and that she was concerned about the future of the fund. She warned council about a condition called a fiscal watch or caution on the fund.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion for the third reading of Ordinance 2013-05 to increase the sewer rates by \$5.00. John Lowery Seconded the motion.

Mayor wanted this statement in the minutes.

She stated that she protested the \$5.00 sewer increase.

Vote 5/0

Motion Passed.

Mayor signed Ordinance 2013-05.

Gerald Houchin said he found a gentleman that was willing to work on the broken grinders for \$40.00 per grinder. He said that Indian Lake wanted \$100.00 per pump and that E ONE. wanted \$200.00 a pump.

Solicitor Fansler stated that the Village Administrator is a substitute for the Board Of Public Affairs and that the ORC gives the Village Administrator the right to hire and appoint employees, then council can approve the employee. Mayor has the right to approve it.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to pay \$40.00 a piece for grinder/pump repair. Seconded by, Dione Campbell.

Vote 5/0

Motion passed.

Mr. Houchin said, that Lawn's Plus has already mowed 9 times and that the motion was made for 11 times. Gerald Houchin said, we need to add more mowing time for Lawn's Plus until we can hire someone in to help.

Mayor stated that over \$400 was spent on mowing two foreclosed properties.

Fiscal Officer stated that the money comes out of the street fund and we only have \$500.00 left in this account for the rest of the season. She asked for a motion so that she could have supplemental appropriation if needed for contract.

Gerald Houchin stated that if we don't mow the people should contact the Mayor so she can take all the complaints about the high grass.

Mr. Fansler,said, Paul Blair a retired Jefferson Township trustee, does mowing all over the county. He said that mowing must be kept up with for the health and safety of the residents of this village.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to pay \$340.00 on a as needed bases for regular mowing to Lawn's Plus until a suitable employee is found. Dione Campbell seconded the motion.

Vote 5/0

Motion passed.

Mayor asked Fiscal Officer to ask Mr. McCormick if the township is paying any of this cost for Sheriffs extra patrol.

Garnet Roebuck had a complaint about the bleachers at the park she said, the bleachers were falling apart. Mrs. Roebuck also stated that the swings could use some new paint.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Enterprise Committee met to discuss the need for a new employee. Mayor stated we put an ad in the Bellefontaine Examiner.

Finance Committee met and decided on \$11.00 an hour starting rate for new employee.

Village Solicitor Mr. Fansler said to the Mayor that the Village Administrator hires with Mayo's approval.

Gerald Houchin comment was we need someone that will stay and continue working for the village.

Fiscal Officer said we can increase new employee wage in next years budget.

Gerald Houchin and Mayor Fulmer got into a loud disagreement .Mr. Houchin said, FINE I refuse to interview anyone by myself .

Dee McIntosh stated that the Village Administrator knows the need for employees and we trust him she also asked if we can even get an employee for \$11.00 a hour?

Dustin Plikerd stated employee might move on after training.

Mayor stated she would be willing to work with Mr. Houchin and Mrs. Longbrake with applications for a new employee to determine who is most qualified but would not just turn it over to Gerald Houchin and 3 other council members. She stated she had talked with Job and Family services to try to qualify for more assistance.

Motion to adjourn made by Garnet Roebuck and Seconded by Dee McIntosh. Members of council started walking out of meeting. Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake had to request the Mayor to call for a vote.

Vote all yeas as council left the Chambers.

Minutes approved by

_____ Date _____

Fiscal Officer

Cynthia Longshore Date 7/9/2017

MAYOR FULMER REFUSED TO SIGN THESE MINUTES

July 8,2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

7.00P.M.

The Belle Center Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Rhonda Fulmer presiding

The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery Garnet Roebuck and Dustin Plikerd

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin, Village Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake.

Village Solicitor Steve Fansler was absent due to the meeting being on Monday instead of Tuesday

Motion to accept Minutes of Regular Session on June 11,2013,made by Dustin Plikerd Second Dee McIntosh with one correction. All Voted yes except for Rick Bednarki who abstained. Motion carried 5-0

Motion to accept Minutes of Emergency Session on June 18,2013,for the purpose of approving fund Transfer for Sewer operation Motion made by Garnet Roebuck Second Dione Campbell. All Voted yes. Motion Carried 6-0

Motion made by Dione Campbell second by Dustin Plikerd to pay bills

Vote All Yes. Motion carried 6-0

Village administrator passed out the water tower inspection report from Nelson Engineering to all council members

Motion made by Dione Campbell for an additional Appropriation second by Garnet Roebuck

\$5,000 for Fiscal Officer Wages

All members voted yes motion carried 6-0

Motion made by Dee McIntosh for and additional Appropriation seconded by Rick Bednarki

\$2,500 Lawn's Plus to continue mowing for the Village on an as needed basis to be determined by the Village administrator.

All members voted yes motion carried 6-0

Fiscal Office Cindy Longbrake requested that a motion made last month for \$3,000 Transfer from the General Fund to the Sewer Operating Fund be rescinded due to the fact that it was not needed at this time Motion made by Rick Bednarki seconded by John Lowery

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to excuse Rick Bednarki from the Council Meeting on June 11, 2013
second by John Lowery

All members except Rick Bednarki who abstained voted yes motion carried 5-0

Motion made by Rick Bednarki to donate \$500 to the Fire work Committee and \$500 to Friends of the
Library second by Dee McIntosh

All members voted yes motion carried 6-0

Next meeting August 13, 2013

Motion to adjourn made by Dustin Plikerd and second by John Lowery.

all members voted yes

Minutes approved by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer _____ Date _____

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo _____ Date _____

August 1, 2013

Village of Belle Center Special Meeting

For the Zoning Issue and Employee Issues

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, Garnet Roebuck, Dustin Plikerd & John Lowery

Village Officers Present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin.

Purpose of the Special Meeting was to discuss a zoning variance for The Reformed Presbyterian Church, the possible employment of a Third full time employee and the appointment of a temporary Fiscal Officer..

The church discussed the need for a zoning variance for the number of available parking places . The village solicitor informed the members of the church who were present that since the Village had a Zoning Board that Council could not approve their variance only the zoning board could approve the variance.

The Mayor verified that all council members received Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake's resignation effective July 31, 2013

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to accept the resignation of Fiscal Officer Cindy Longbrake Seconded by Rick Bednarki.

Roll Call Vote: Garnet Roebuck No, Dione Campbell No, John Lowery No, Dee McIntosh Yes, Rick Bednarki No, Dustin Plikerd Yes Motion Failed 4 votes to 2.

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer appointed Chris Dinovo as Temporary Fiscal Officer to continue Village business as of August 1. 2013, The Mayor asked if all council members had received a copy of Mr. Dinovo's resume and cover letter. All members of council acknowledged receipt of resume and cover letter

Rick Bednarki made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters Seconded by Dustin Plikerd.

All Council members voted yes motion carried 6-0

The Mayor and the Village Solicitor joined the council in the executive session

Council Mayor and Village Solicitor returned from executive session

Dee McIntosh made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Chris Dinovo as temporary fiscal officer for the Village of Belle Center seconded by Rick Bednarki.

Roll Call vote: Garnet Roebuck No, Dione Campbell Yes, John Lowery Yes, Dee McIntosh Yes, Rick Bednarki Yes, & Dustin Plikerd Yes. Motion Carried 5-1

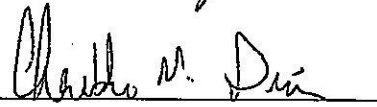
Dee McIntosh made a motion to pay the temporary fiscal officer \$15.00 an hour not to exceed 30 hours a week seconded by Rick Benarki. All members voted Yes motion carried 6-0

Dione Campbell made a motion to pay Judy Quinlin Fiscal Officer of the Village of Waynesfield \$15.00 an hour plus millage to train the new clerk up to 20 hours per week Seconded by Dustin Plikerd

Roll Call: Garnet Roebuck No, Dione Campbell Yes, John Lowery Yes, Dee McIntosh Yes, Rick Bednarki Yes, & Dustin Plikerd Yes. Motion Carried 5-1

John Lowery made a motion to adjourn the Meeting Seconded by Rick Bednarki All members voted yes Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by Mayor Fulmer  date 9/11/13

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo  date 9-11-13 :

AUGUST 13, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, and Dustin Plikerd

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin, Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members voted yes 6-0

Dione Campbell made a Motion to accept Minutes of August 1, 2013 Special Council Meeting Seconded by Dee McIntosh. All Members voted yes 6-0

Dione Campbell made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Dee McIntosh. All Members voted yes 6-0.

Rick Bednarki made a motion to approve Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo as a Check signer seconded by Dee McIntosh. Roll Call Dee McIntosh yes, Rick Bednarki yes, Dione Campbell yes, John Lowery yes, Garnet Roebuck no, and Dustin Plikerd yes. Motion carried 5-1.

The Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo Informed the Council that Appropriations had reclassified in order to meet payroll.

Set August 20, 2013 for a special Meeting to discuss the need for a new water tower

Rick Bednarki made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personell seconded by, Garnet Roebuck. All Members voted yes Motion carried 6-0.

The Mayor thanked Sherriff Dodds for helping to maintain peace and safety during some of our council meetings on his own time at no cost to either the Village or the County.

Gerald Houchin recommended and the Mayor approved that the council hire Jacob Tracy for the 3rd full time position effective August 13, 2013

Motion made by Garnet Roebuck to hire Jacob Tracey for 3rd full time position effective August 13, 2013 Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members voted yes Motion carried 6-0 .

Trick or Treat night has been set for October 31st from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

The Next Depot meeting is set for August 22nd at 6:00 PM

Solicitor Steve Fansler requested Council approve a temporary easement with the present structure for Nicholas and Amy Richardson. The easement would last for the life of the present structure.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve a temporary easement with the present structure for Nicholas and Amy Richardson seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All Members voted yes Motion carried 6-0

Next meeting is set for September 10, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Dee McIntosh made a Motion to adjourn second by Dione Campbell . All Voted yeas Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Date Sept 10 2013

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo Chris Dinovo Date 9-10-2013

August 20, 2013

Village of Belle Center Special Meeting

For the discussion of a new water tower for the Village

Call to order 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, Garnet Roebuck, Dustin Plikerd & John Lowery

Village Officers Present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin. Village Solicitor Steve Fansler was absent

Others Present: Thomas Borck Vice President of Poggemeyer Design Group

Purpose of the Special Meeting was to discuss the need for a new water tower for the Village.

Information from Poggemeyer Design Group was presented. Julie Ward from RCAP (Rural Community Assistance Program) Who was not present, but a letter on the cost of construction and debt to construct a new water tower was presented. Based on a construction estimate of \$900,000 on a loan for 20 years at 2.07% interest (current rate equates to \$12.25 per month per user cost. If the water ^{tower} is designed but not built based on a design loan at \$95,000 for preconstruction of a water tank at 2.07% Interest for five years would result in an extra \$.4.46 per user cost would be required.

The Mayor also brought to attention her concern for not only needing to replace the water tower but the need for replacing the water plant and two deep wells as all are over 75 years old

Rick Bednarki was excused from the meeting at 7:17 PM

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 7:30 PM seconded John Lowery

All remaining members present voted yes Motion carried 5-0

John Lowery made a motion to adjourn the Meeting Seconded by Rick Bednarki All members voted yes Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by Mayor Fulmer

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer date Sept 10, 2013

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo

Chris Dinovo date 9-10-2013 :

August 20, 2013

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John Lowery made a motion to adjourn the Meeting Seconded by Rick Bednarki All members voted yes Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by Mayor Fulmer

 date 9.10.13

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo

 date 9-10-13 :

SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, and Dustin Plikerd

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin ,Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Seconded by Dione Campbell. All Members voted yes 6-0

Dustin Plikerd made a Motion to accept Minutes of August 20,2013 Special Council Meeting on the Water Tower Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All Members voted yes 6-0

Dustin Plikerd made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members voted yes 6-0.

Mr. Fansler Stated that he would have the Income Tax update for the Ordinance prepared for the next meeting.

Mayors Report:

Mayor encouraged everyone to vote on Tuesday November 5th and that there are 4 council seats to be elected.

Trick or Treat is set for Thursday October 31' 2013 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM for the entire county

The Zoning variance for the Reformed Presbyterian church

The Mayor presented the LUC invoice for \$527 for the year which would cover all of their services . Gerald Houchin stated that our zoning regulations cover 99% of all situations and the Council decided not to take any action on the invoice from LUC.

Dione Campbell made a motion to give all churches the right to utilize on street parking spaces of the village for their regulatory needs seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Roll Call votel Dee McIntosh yes, Rick Bednarki yes, Dione Campbell yes, John Lowery yes, Garnet Roebuck yes, and Dustin Plikerd yes. Motion carried 6-0.

The Mayor stated that Judy Quinlan trainer for the new clerk worked 21 hours in August and the first week of September and did a fabulous job and would continue on an as needed basis. The Mayor also stated that current clerk Chris Dinovo did a good job with the training and receiving training by phone on the UAN, Utilities, and PERS, and from the County Auditor's office at no additional cost to the Village. The Clerk worked a total of 69 hours for the month of August.

Village Administrator Gerald Houchin Report:

The project to make village Sidewalks and Murray Griffin Park handicapped accessible with CDBG Grant money has been completed.

Leaf pickup has started in the Village

The 93 dump truck was out of service and in need of significant repair and he has received an estimate of \$1,378 to make the necessary repairs. He would look into the cost of replacing the truck with either a used or new truck.

The Village Administrator informed Council of the need to adopt a drug policy for all Village employees. Mr. Fansler stated that he would prepare an ordinance for the next meeting.

There was discussion on the third employee to be hired. A new employee was hired but after working for the Village one day problems with his background check came to light and he has not worked for the Village since. Council stated that they have authorized an additional position and the rate of pay for this position and that the Mayor and the Village Administrator need to work together to get the position filled.

The Village administrator requested that council approve the advertising for bids for an Engineering Firm for the water tower project.

Dione Campbell made a motion to advertise for bids for an engineering firm to design a new Water Tower for the Village, seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All members voted yes, motion carried 6-0.

The Mayor stated the village could use an income survey in order to qualify for financial assistance to build a new water tower. The Mayor stated that Russells Point and West Mansfield used income surveys to obtain financial assistance to complete their projects.

Rick Bednarki stated that the grocery/gas station on Rt 273 and Charles street is becoming a health hazard in need of inspection.

Next meeting is set for October 8, 2013 at 7:00 PM

John Lowery made a Motion to adjourn second by Dee McIntosh . All Voted yeas Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Date Oct 8 2013

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo Chris M. Dinovo Date 10-9-2013

OCTOBER 8, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dee McIntosh, Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, and Dustin Plikerd

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin , Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All Members voted yes 6-0

Dione Campbell made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members voted yes 6-0.

The Mayor introduced Julie Ward from RCAP for discussion on the water tower funding. Julie discussed three options of debt funding for the design and construction process. The EPA interest rate was currently 3.09% for a 20 year loan. Ohio Public works 0% for a 30 year loan. OWDA 4.8% interest for 30 years. It was also noted that the Village's two deep wells and water plant or both over 75 years old and we still have 10 years left on the sewer debt. The Mayor asked Julie Ward if the Village would still be eligible for additional grants if the process had already been started. Her response was negative if the design process has been started or the construction has begun. Julie Ward added that the design cost can be rolled into the construction loan. John Lowery stated that council has yet to pass legislation for engineering firm qualifications.

Village Administrator's report

Dustin Plikerd made a motion that the county engineers office through the county commissioner take over the maintenance of the Smith-Sickles ditch seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All members voted yes 6-0

Dee McIntosh made a motion to allow Dennis Wilson on behalf of the Depot Restoration Committee to pursue grants for the renovation of the Depot in the name of the Village seconded by Rick Bednarki. All members voted yes 6-0

Fiscal Officer Report

The Fiscal Officer requested that council raise appropriations a total of \$15,000 in the following Accounts

General Fund Salary Clerk Treasurer 1000-725-121-0016	\$2,000
Street Fund Other Personal Services 2011-620-190-0000	2,000
Street Fund Repairs & Maintenance (Contractual Mowing) 2011-620-430-0038	2,500
Sewer Fund Salaries Clerk Treasurer 5201-541-120-0016	1,500
Garbage Operating Fund Other Personal Services 5601-541-190-0000	7,000

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to increase appropriations by \$15,000 seconded by Dee McIntosh. All Members voted yes 6-0

Mayors Report:

The Mayor received a letter from the Belle Center Public Library thanking council for the purchase of two street signs directing people to the Library

The Friends of the Library thanked Council for the donation made by the Village.

The Mayor Presented an income survey to the council to possibly be used to obtain grants for the new water tower project. No action was taken.

The Mayor reported that the health department made an inspection of the old grocery store and gas station and requested that the realtor secured the property.

Village Administrators Report

Ray Hensley Inc. will chip seal requested roads in the village at a cost of \$25,160.16

The Estimate received for removal of the railroad ties and grading of the Dave Keller Ave One estimate was for \$5,000 and the other estimate was for \$85 an hour (which would be cheaper in total. The Village administrator accepted the lower quote

The Village administrator requested that council go into executive session to discuss an employee personnel issue.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to go into executive session seconded by Rick Bednarki. All members voting yes 6-0

Next meeting is set for November 12, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Dione Campbell made a Motion to adjourn second by Garnet Roebuck. All Voted yeas
Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer

Date

Nov 18, 2013

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo

Chris M. Dinovo

Date

Nov 18, 2013

November 7, 2013

Village of Belle Center Special Meeting

For the discussion of financial management for a new water tower With the EPA

Call to order 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, Garnet Roebuck, Dustin Plikerd & John Lowery,
Absent: Dee McIntosh

Village Officers Present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin. Village Solicitor Steve Fansler

Others Present: Larry Baxa RCAP

Larry Baxa presented information on the building of a new water tower. Different options on size and types of coatings were discussed. Gerald Houchin stated At the present time no funds have been set aside for design or construction of a new water tower but the water tower fund had a balance of \$57,000 as of the end of October. The Mayor Rhonda Fulmer stated that an inspection was completed in May of 2013 by Nelson Engineering on the water tower and the EPA water testing was completed in the spring with no violations noted.

The Village has a water plant constructed in 1938 and two deep wells dug in 1938 and a water tower also constructed in 1938.

Mr Baxa from RCAP recommended not to spend too much on engineering cost before EPA approval of the project and approval of funding for the project.

The Village administrator Gerald Houchin stated that the water rates had not been increased in about 10 years.

Village administrator Gerald Houchin discussed installation of water meters radio transmitters to eliminate the need to manually read each meter. Gerald had received two estimates for the project one for \$79,000 and one for \$85,000. Workers Compensation has a grant available to the Village for \$40,000. The project would save 4 days a month in employee time in reading the meters would save time in entering the meter reading into the utility System and decrease the number errors in reading or recording the meter readings. The Mayor stated that the Village would be eligible to receive this grant once every seven years for this or possibly other purposes.

Village administrator Gerald Houchin discussed the addition of a telemetry system and an electrolysis system to the water tower project. This would eliminate the need for someone to be at the water plant for four hours on Saturday and Sunday.

Larry Baxa of RCAP stated that EPA must approve rate studies and inspections regardless of where financing is obtained.

Larry Baxa of RCAP stated that the coating put on the interior of the water tower 5 years ago during renovations should last a minimum of 10 to 15 years.

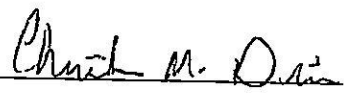
Rick Bednarki and John Lowery were excused from the meeting at 7:15 PM

Mary Mariani and Eric Schultz from the EPA Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance central office arrived at 7:25 PM

Mary Mariani from the EPA stated that the Village was on the list for a design and construction loan but would have to submit a formal application with a facility plan by March 1 2014. The current rates for a EPA loan is 2.87%. She stated that the EPA would assist the Village in securing grants for the project . The EPA recommends that the Village evaluate three to five engineering firms before one is selected. The EPA must approve all plans before the loan can be secured. Council must approve the engineering firm by legislation. The Village is not required to bid the engineering design but would be required to bid the construction of a new water tower.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 7:30 PM seconded Garnet Roebuck. All remaining members voting yes.

Minutes approved by Mayor Fulmer  date 12/11/13

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo  date 12-11-13 :

NOVEMBER 12, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, and Dustin Plikerd Present.
Dee McIntosh absent .

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin , Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler presented legislation to council for the resolution for the Depot Restoration Committee to apply for grants in behalf the Village that was approved during the October regular council meeting.

2013-06 Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the first reading of the Income Tax Ordinance updated as presented by the Village Solicitor Steve Fansler seconded by John Lowery. All Member present voted yes 5-0.

2013-07 Village administrator Gerald Houchin requested that council approve a resolution or an ordinance to place traffic control signs at each end of Keller Avenue From Buckeye to Main St. Garnet Roebuck made a motion to pass the ordinance on an emergency basis seconded by Rick Bednarki. All members present voting yes 5-0. Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the ordinance as written seconded by John Lowery All members present voting yes 5-0.

The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler informed council that he was working on the Employee Drug Policy and that he would present it at the December regular council meeting.

The Mayor asked council if they wished to extend the extra patrolling provided by the Logan County Sherriff's Department From November 2013 through March of 2014 at the rate of \$26.50 an hour. The Council decided not to extend the extra patrolling through the winter months.

2013-08 The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler presented the ordinance transferring maintenance of the Smith-Sickles ditch to the Logan County Commissioners. Village administrator Gerald Houchin informed council that he had already sent the document to the County Engineer.

The Mayor informed council that a village resident had been charged with tree removal had questioned her about the Village's policy concerning hauling of Tree brush removed from private property as opposed to tree brush removed from the boulevard. The Village resident also questioned the mayor on how this amount was shown on the bill and since there was confusion on his part as to whether he should have been charged for this. Council informed the Mayor that Village policy is to charge the

property owner to remove tree brush from private property unless it was caused by an act of God. Council also stated that the resident is obligated for the charge.

The Mayor wanted to thank Ben Logan Teacher Rob Painter and the students of the Key Club for donating their time and for their efforts in raking leaves for elderly and disabled citizens of the village.

The Village Administrator Gerald Houchin informed council that he has been in contact with Reineke Ford on the purchase of a new dump truck (the truck would include: chasis, dump bed, V-plow, and salt spreader) for the Village through the state's cooperative purchase program. The purchase would be made under a lease purchase agreement in which the Village would make payments for a period of time and would own the truck at the end of the lease. Since the truck would be purchased through the State's cooperative purchase program bids would not be required.

The Mayor asked council to prioritize the projects to be completed and to consider what the Village can and can not afford to do at this time. The Mayor had stated that the Village is considering building a new water tower, installing radio transmitters on the water meters, a new dump truck, a third full time employee, and the transfer of electric service for the grinder pumps. The Mayor questioned that if all of these projects were completed would the Village be able to receive EPA approval for the water tower project.

The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler was excused from the meeting at 7:35 PM

Council Requested that they receive the minutes a few days prior to the meeting so that they can review them before the meeting, Counsel also stated that residents had expressed concerns off not knowing when the fiscal officer would be available. It was agreed that members of council would receive the minutes on the Friday prior to the council meeting and that the fiscal officer would be available to village residents on Tuesdays from 5:00 to 8:00 PM and on Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All Members present voted yes 5-0

Dione Campbell made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All Members present voted yes 5-0.

The Village fiscal officer requested that council approve an increase in appropriations of \$2,000 for wages in the Permissive Tax Fund. Dione Campbell made a motion to increase appropriations seconded by Garnet Roebuck. Discussion followed all members present voted yes 5-0.

The Mayor informed council that she had received a request from the Village Solicitor Steve Fansler that the Village pay one third of the cost for his attendance at a seminar at a cost to the Village of \$85. Rick Bednarki made a motion to approve payment of \$85 dollars for the seminar seconded by John Lowery, All members present voted yes 5-0

The Mayor asked Council if they would like to continue membership in the Municipal League at a cost of \$350 a year. Village Administrator Gerald Houchin recommended that council continue membership as its benefits justified the cost. Council agreed with continuing the membership.

The Mayor informed council that the Village would no longer be receiving a \$500 recycling monitoring fee from The County Solid Waste Management

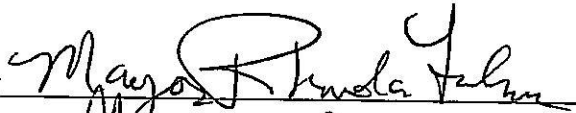
Council discussed the need to raise the water rates. The Mayor stated that she would prefer to discuss this when the Village Solicitor could be present in order to provide his advice and input. The Mayor also stated that she would prefer to discuss the increase of water rates when all members were present and after the newly elected council member took office. The Mayor also stated that the public should be informed that council is considering raising the water rates to give them the opportunity to express their concerns to council. Dustin Plickerd made a motion to increase water rates \$5 a month beginning with the March Consumption (April Bill) and another \$5 a month with the September Consumption (October Bill) With the Additional money to go into a separate fund for water capital projects and for retirement of debt for water capital projects. seconded by John Lowery. All members present voted yes 5-0.

Next meeting is set for December 10, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Dustin Plickerd made a Motion to adjourn second by John Lowery . All Members present Voted yeas
Motion carried 5-0

Minutes approved by

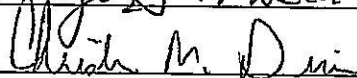
Mayor Rhonda Fulmer



Date

12/11/13

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo



Date

12-11-13

DECEMBER 10, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Dee McIntosh, and Dustin Plikerd Present.

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin , Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2013 Special Meeting with the EPA representative to discuss the water tower project as presented Seconded by Dione Campbell Dee McIntosh abstained All other Members present voted yes 5-0

Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented Seconded by Dustin Plikerd Garnet Roebuck voted no, Dione Campbell voted yes, Dee McIntosh abstained, John Lowery voted no, Rick Bednarki voted no, Dustin Plikerd voted yes Motion failed 2-3

Rick Bednarki made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting as amended seconded by John Lowery. Dee McIntosh abstained All other Members present voted yes 5-0

Dione Campbell made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Dee McIntosh. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the second reading of the Income Tax Ordinance updated as presented by the Village Solicitor Steve Fansler seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Member present voted yes 6-0.

The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler stated that the Income Tax Ordinance was being expanded (not amended) to include other types of income not previously included.

An Ordinance to authorize the Ohio Department of Transportation to take over the maintenance and repair of Routes 638 and 273 was presented.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on the first reading as an emergency measure seconded by Dione Campbell. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the Ordinance to authorize the Ohio Department of Transportation to take over the maintenance and repair of Routes 638 & 273 Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve temporary appropriations for 2014 seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All members voting yes 6-0

Next meeting is set for January 14, 2014 at 7:00 PM

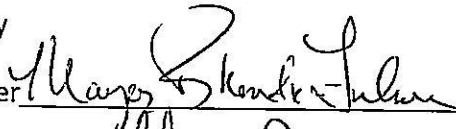
Village administrator Gerald Houchin thanked Rick Bednarki for his service to the community as President of Council this past year and for being on council the past 4 years

The Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Thanked Rick Bednarki for the Community for his public service

John Lowery made a Motion to adjourn second by Dee McIntosh . All Members present Voted yeas Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by

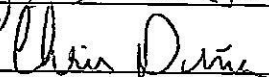
Mayor Rhonda Fulmer



Date

1-14-14

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo



Date

1-14-14

DECEMBER 10, 2013

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Rick Bednarki, Dione Campbell, John Lowery, Garnet Roebuck, Dee McIntosh, and Dustin Plikerd Present.

Village Officers present: Mayor Rhonda Fulmer, Village Administrator Gerald Houchin , Village Solicitor Steve Fansler, Village Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2013 Special Meeting with the EPA representative to discuss the water tower project as presented Seconded by Dione Campbell Dee McIntosh abstained All other Members present voted yes 5-0

Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented Seconded by Dustin Plikerd Garnet Roebuck voted no, Dione Campbell voted yes, Dee McIntosh abstained, John Lowery voted no, Rick Bednarki voted no, Dustin Plikerd voted yes Motion failed 2-3

Rick Bednarki made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting as amended seconded by John Lowery. Dee McIntosh abstained All other Members present voted yes 5-0

Dione Campbell made motion to approve the payment of bills Seconded by Dee McIntosh. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

#2013-06 Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the second reading of the Income Tax Ordinance updated as presented by the Village Solicitor Steve Fansler seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Member present voted yes 6-0.

The Village Solicitor Steve Fansler stated that the Income Tax Ordinance was being expanded (not amended) to include other types of income not previously included.

An Ordinance to authorize the Ohio Department of Transportation to take over the maintenance and repair of Routes 638 and 273 was presented.

Garnet Roebuck made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on the first reading as an emergency measure seconded by Dione Campbell. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

#2013-09 Garnet Roebuck made a motion to approve the Ordinance to authorize the Ohio Department of Transportation to take over the maintenance and repair of Routes 638 & 273 Seconded by Rick Bednarki. All Members present voted yes 6-0.

Council instructed the Village Solicitor to prepare an employee drug ordinance for the January meeting.

The Mayor stated that she would prefer to have the ordinances prepared prior to being brought to council for approval. The Village Solicitor stated that the ordinances need to be numbered and kept in the ordinance book, per Ohio Revised code section 731.21 and 731.25.

2013-10

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve the first reading of an ordinance to increase water rates by \$5.00 a customer starting with the March consumption on the April bill and to increase water rates by \$5.00 more with the September consumption on the October Bill With the additional money to placed in a separate fund for the purpose of capital projects and debt service for capital projects of the water department seconded by Garnet Roebuck. The Mayor stated that she was not completely opposed to raising water and sewer rates if it is going toward a water plant, water tower, and water wells only and that this increase was more then what is necessary but she is opposed to using the increase toward a new truck or radio water meters. The Mayor believes that we should concentrate on the water tower project (and debt for the water tower)and to be able to maintain the water tower debt. All members voted yes for the increase in the water rates 6-0.

Village administrator Gerald Houchin presented two options for the purchase of a dump truck with a salt spreader, snow plow and dump bed from Reineke ford with the purchase price of \$66,988 One proposal was to finance the purchase through the Union Banking company the other to finance the purchase through Ford. Gerald recommended that we finance the truck through the Union banking company. It was discussed if the Village could afford the truck and the Village Fiscal Officer stated that council needed to decide if they were more comfortable with having an older truck with higher fund balances or a new truck and lower fund balances. Dione Campbell asked about other options and Gerald said that either the township or Kip May would assist if needed. Dione Campbell made a motion to approve the purchase of the dump truck financing through the Union Banking Company seconded by Rick Bednarki. All members voting yes 6-0. The purchase of the dump truck did not require bidding because it was purchased through the State Cooperative purchasing program. The Mayor stated that she was protesting the purchase of a new dump truck.

The Clerk requested an increase in Estimated Resources

General Fund	\$32,315.14
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The Clerk requested an increase in appropriations

General Fund	\$32,315.14
Water Fund	2,800.00
Sewer Fund	5,600.00
Refuse Fund	2,600.00

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to increase appropriations and to increase estimated resources seconded by Dee McIntosh. All members voting yes 6-0.

Dustin Plikerd made a motion to approve temporary appropriations for 2014 seconded by Garnet Roebuck. All members voting yes 6-0

Next meeting is set for January 14, 2014 at 7:00 PM

Village administrator Gerald Houchin thanked Rick Bednarki for his service to the community as President of Council this past year and for being on council the past 4 years

The Mayor Rhonda Fulmer Thanked Rick Bednarki for the Community for his public service

John Lowery made a Motion to adjourn second by Dee McIntosh . All Members present Voted yeas Motion carried 6-0

Minutes approved by

Mayor Rhonda Fulmer _____ Date _____

Fiscal Officer Chris Dinovo Christopher M. Dinovo Date 1-15-14