

August 3, 1998
7:30 P.M.

Regular meeting of the Village Board held at the Village Hall and called to order by President Peterson with the following members present: Bates, Anderson, Trout, Johnson, Roberts, Kness, Peterson, and Johnson. Absent:none.

Motion by Johnson, second by Kness to approve the July 6, 1998 Public Hearing, Regular Meeting, and Closed Session minutes. Roll call votes: Trout - aye, Roberts - aye, Bates - aye, Kness - aye, Anderson - aye, and Johnson - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Police Chief Switzer presented the police report. He stated that there were 87,114 miles on the squad, the squad needs repairs and will be done by Keith's Auto Service, and the Fair and Rodeo has planned coverage. Chief Switzer requested that the police department purchase a portable breath tester.

Motion by Kness, second by Bates to purchase a breath tester for the police department at a cost of \$299. Roll call votes: Roberts - aye, Bates - aye, Kness - aye, Anderson - aye, Johnson - aye, and Trout - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board approved the police department request for three to four boxes of qualification ammunition.

Police Chief Switzer stated that he would provide coverage with the squad for the New Windsor Rodeo Run on Saturday, August 15, 1998.

Trustee Trout reported that the Police Committee met on July 27, 1998 and agreed that the Village police protection had improved, but recommended more coverage at night. The Police Committee recommended a raise for the Police Chief from \$18,500 to \$22,000 annual salary.

Motion by Trout, second by Kness to raise the Police Chief annual salary to \$22,000 effective August 15, 1998/ Roll call votes: Bates - aye, Kness - aye, Johnson - aye, Anderson - aye, Trout - aye, and Roberts - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Mr. Clark Swank present with concerns of speeding in front of his property at North Seventh Avenue. The Board agreed to move the sign of 25 M.P.H. so it would be more visible in that area and have the police department step up their patrol.

Mr. Thurman Williams present to request permission to place a fence around the back of his PUBIII outside area for overflow crowds during the Fair and Rodeo with the only entrance and exit available through the front of the PUBIII building. He stated that he would have someone watching the area, and he would also inform the neighbors to the north of his business. The Board granted the request.

Rebecca and Lou Swift present to present their concerns over fence zoning regulations. The Board stated that a meeting will be set with a committee to review this matter.

Motion by Johnson, second by Roberts to accept the bid from Dennis Nimrick in the amount of \$6,484 for sidewalk repairs. Roll call votes: Trout - nay, Kness - aye, Bates - nay, Anderson - nay, Johnson - aye, Roberts - aye. Three votes nay, three votes aye. Votes were tied, President Peterson vote - aye. Four votes aye, Three votes nay. motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, second by Kness to pass Ordinance Number 7, Series 1998 Tax Levy. Roll call votes: Roberts - aye, Trout - aye, Johnson - aye, Anderson - aye, Kness - aye, and Bates - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Bates, second by Anderson to rescind the July 6, 1998 minutes motion "to have the Village's Zoning Officer check any requested tree to determine if it is the property owner's tree or the Village's tree by the Board's standards stating that if the tree is on Village property, the Village will take care of the tree, if the tree is on the property owner's property, the property owner will take care of the tree, and if the tree is in the middle of Village and property owner property, the Village and the property owner will each pay one-half the cost of removal of the tree." Roll call votes: Johnson - aye, Bates - aye, Roberts - aye, Trout - aye, Kness - aye, and Anderson- aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Bates, second by Roberts that the Board review any requested tree to determine if it is the property owner's tree or the Village's tree, and if the tree is on Village property, the Village will take care of the tree, or if it is on the property owner's property, the property owner will take care of it, or if the tree is in the middle of the Village and property owner's property, the Village and property owner will each pay one-half the cost of removal of the tree. Roll call votes: Bates - aye, Roberts - aye, Trout - aye, Kness - aye, Anderson - aye, and Johnson - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

The Board was requested to check on Mike Peterson's tree.

The Board noted that the maintenance building would be starting construction around August 20, 1998, and a 40' by 100' patch will be needed from the leased ground.

Motion by Bates, second by Anderson to contribute \$300 to the Mercer County Recycling Program. Roll call votes: Trout - aye, Roberts - aye, Bates - aye, Kness - aye, Johnson - aye, and Anderson - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

John Rogiers present from Missman, Stanley, and Associates as engineer for the CDAP grant. He reported that a preconstruction conference will be done with work to be started after Labor Day.

The Board noted that the fire insurance rating had been lowered from Class 10 to Class 8.

The Board noted that the next meeting would be September 14, 1998 due to the Labor Day holiday.

Motion by Johnson, second by Kness to authorize the July 1998 bills. Roll call votes: Roberts- aye, Bates - aye, Kness - aye, Johnson - aye, Anderson - aye, and Trout - aye. All votes were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Motion by Kness to adjourn, second by Anderson. All votes were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.

Claudine D. Johnson, Village Clerk