

Council met in regular session Monday, December 12, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Council members present Karon Kane-pres., John Pupos, John Hudik, Brooke Smith, Justin Kreischer with Richard Sauerlender absent.

Other officials present: Mayor Ken Wysong, VFO Catherine Vorst Deputy Clerk Susan Clendenin and village employees Steve Venia and Jamie VanAlstine.

Guest: Adam Vance

Mayor Ken Wysong opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Adam Vance was given the floor. Mr. Vance questioned the route employees take while picking up leaves. He has had leaves in front of his house on West Main Street for 28 days. Why haven't they been picked up? How do they determine where to start? Steve said the weather has a lot to do with the leaf pick up schedule; we've had ice, rain, and wind. The entire Village and Assumption was picked up the first round; at which time it took two hours to pick up the leaves at Adam's house on West Main Street. Mr. Vance said it appeared East Main Street was the priority when it came to leaf pickup. John Hudik said some towns don't even offer leaf pick-up, it's a service we want to provide to our residents. Mayor Ken Wysong suggested in the future, if a resident notices they have been missed they should inform the office so it can be taken care of. Mr. Vance asked if the village had someone to oversee the employees - to know what they are doing. Justin Kreischer said employees submit daily reports and work logs for the mayors' and council to review. Doesn't think a leaf route is relevant as long as they finish the whole town.

Mr. Vance also wanted to discuss the sewer work performed at his rental on Garnsey Ave. and why the backflow preventer was not installed. Mayor Ken Wysong said a lot of it is having his basement stand pipe is too low. John Pupos said it appears Adam's sump pump is connected to the sewer line; this must be removed. Letters were sent out after the separation to residents to separate their inside plumbing to prevent unwanted inflow into the sewer system. The prior homeowner evidently didn't fully comply and now it's the current homeowner's responsibility to come into compliance. Adam said storm water is not the issue and the village is responsible for line outside the house. John Pupos said the village maintains the line from the clean out to the main. Mayor Wysong said the issue could be because of sump-pump line teeing into the sewer service line. John Pupos said he thinks Adam's tenant flushed something down the toilet that plugged the service lateral. Highly unlikely the plug came from the main into the service lateral. If that would have been the case sewer would have backed up into homes adjacent Adam's and it did not. The village snaked and cleared the line, also has line jetted and videoed. The pictures show the sewer line clear all the way to the main, also noticed a line teeing into the sewer which most likely comes from Adam's sump-pump. Washing machine also installed higher than the clean-out also posing a risk for back up issues. Adam was told 16 days ago the village would put in a backflow preventer and nothing has been done.

Adam asked why it took village employees nine months to grade and seed his front yard at his rental on Garnsey Avenue following a sewer repair in November 2017. His neighbor's yard was repaired before

Adams even though his neighbors' sewer repair was done after Adams repair was done. Asked when sidewalk out front of his residence will be repaired. In the spring, weather permitting. Would like to see things done in a more timely manner and better communication.

He was told the village paid for residents inside plumbing, on at least two occasions. Will the village reimburse him for inside plumbing work? To our knowledge, the village never did inside plumbing without billing or knowing about it. The employee at that time is no longer employed with the village. The mayor said the village will not do inside plumbing with the exception of putting in a backflow preventer for Adam.

Adam asked if the village is responsible for cleaning his basement following sewer back up. Council agreed clean up would be on Adam. Justin Kreischer asked what would make him happy, putting in a back flow. John Hudik said are we going to do this for all residents? Justin K. said "No" it would be a case by case issue. Agreed to pay for backflow and have Joe Eisel install it. Justin K. asked if that would make his satisfied. Adam said it's a good start.

Minutes- Brooke noticed the mayor's salary was not included in the minutes. Justin Kreischer moved to approve December 3, 2018 council minutes with inclusion of mayor's salary. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

Personnel & Finance report- At 8:28 p.m. Justin Kreischer committee chairman asked to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Employees Jamie and Steve asked to leave. At 8:50 p.m. Justin Kreischer moved to exit executive session. After discussion, it was decided to reduce Jamie's hours to 23 per week (including zoning) beginning December 27th. Re-evaluate hours at January 23rd council meeting. Expect completion of 12 out 14 on the "Project List" by Jan. 23, 2019.

Lands & Buildings- Sue was asked to call Com-Tech and see if they have a used sewer camera for sale. Not a truck mounted model. Would like between \$5,000 and \$7,000 budgeted for camera. Committee prioritized sewer camera over new park mower for 2019 budget. Also, would like Jamie to remove trees along Memorial Drive. Trees were girdled years ago and never rejuvenated. Justin K. recommends tree removal in the spring.

Reading of Bills	12/12/2018	
Bills Already Paid		
Susan Clendenin	Wages 11/22/18 - 12/05/18	720.00
Catherine Vorst	Wages 11/22/18 - 12/05/18	880.00
Steven Venia	Wages 11/22/18 - 12/05/18	1,600.00
Jamie VanAlstine	Wages 11/22/18 - 12/05/18	742.00
John Hudik	2018 Salary & 13 extra meetings	1,575.00
Richard Sauerlender	2018 Salary & 2 extra meetings	1,850.00
Karon Lane	2018 Salary, Stipend & 14 extra meetings	1,700.00
Brooke Smith	2018 Salary	1,800.00
John Pupos	2018 Salary & 2 extra meetings	1,850.00

Bills to be paid:		
EFT Vendor Pymts		
Fulton Co	Police Protection	425.00
Tri-County Fuels	Diesel Fuel	76.65
Smith & Smith Law Offices	Nov Prosecutor Fees	355.60
Habitec Security	Security & Monitoring	159.00
CHECKS		
Cintas	Uniforms	123.47
Cintas	Uniforms - PR Deduct	17.80
Lowe's	L&B Supplies	81.54
Key Shoppers News	Display Ad	88.00
CenturyLink	Village Phone & Fax	244.02

John Pupos moved to pay bills as presented. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

Old Business – John Pupos moved to pass the third and final reading of Ordinance 987, Restrictions on Parking. Second of motion by Karon Lane. Roll call vote taken: Pupos-yes, Hudik-yes, Lane-yes, Smith-yes and Kreisler-yes. **Ordinance 987 passed.**

New Business- Rick Meiring village sewer employee is asking council to consider increasing his monthly pay by \$50 taking it to \$550 per month. Personnel & Finance yet to determine employee compensation for 2019 but with income tax revenue down the committee concerned about giving raises and most likely will recommend a freeze on employee 2019 compensation. If Rick's job description has changed and additional work load occurred he can inform us of additional tasks required above and beyond what they were last year. Income tax revenue is down 17% from what was anticipated. Recommend lowering truck escrow to \$10,000 instead of \$20,000 Lands & Building requested.

Fiscal Officers report – Personnel and Finance decided to move \$103,000 revenue from the matured CDARS certificate to Star Ohio until budget needs are determined. Want to make another balloon payment on sewer loan with USDA, will decide amount after budget is finalized.

2019 Temporary appropriations reviewed. P&F will meet and make budget recommendations. Council will hold year end meeting December 27 to approve 2019 appropriations.

Council agreed to renew Ohio Municipal League membership in 2019 to remain in their group workers comp pool.

Mayor's report – nothing at this time.

Adjournment- Brooke Smith moved to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. Second of motion by Justin Kreisler and approved by all council present.

Mayor- Ken Wysong

VFO – Catherine Vorst

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Clendenin
Deputy Clerk