

Village of Roaming Shores

September 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Ball. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present: Roy Brommer, Bob Cook, Cheryl Fain, Marlene Hocevar, and Ed Koziol. Also present were Solicitor Kyle Smith, Village Administrator Kevin Grippi and Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses. Absent was Mark Reighard.

MINUTES TO THE PREVIOUS MEETING : A motion was made by Cheryl Fain, seconded by Roy Brommer, to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2017 and September 12, 2017 meetings. The motion passed with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT : Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses gave an explanation of the financial report noting the income, expenses and month end balances of the various funds. A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Marlene Hocevar to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS : *Don Hartman* agreed that the levy is very important to everyone. If this doesn't pass he does not like the idea that we will not have a police department. He questioned where did the money go? If Dan Bennett is performing the duties of the Police Chief, why isn't he being compensated at the Chief's salary? *He did receive a \$3 an hour raise when appointed acting Police Chief.* *Barb Berndt* questioned what is going on at the property where the condo's are located on RT. 6, what are the plans? Administrator Grippi explained that the Planning/Zoning committee and Council have hired Julie Linder, a PUD (planned unit development) specialist to help with the development of this property. *Josh Prindle* just got back from deployment overseas and appreciates our Police Department especially when they responded to an alarm drop at his home at 2:00 in the morning.

MAYOR'S REPORT : Mayor Ball stated that so much is decided on social media here in the Shores, something is posted and away we go with so much misinformation and crude comments. The Mayor urged everyone to contact the members of Council or himself to get the correct information and voice your opinion. A posting on the web that our employees get free health insurance, and yes, they do as part of their overall compensation. Benefits differ from employer to employer. When employees do good work, they should be recognized financially as well as publicly, otherwise someone else will. The Mayor closed asking that Council work with all the facts and provide our employees the best possible health coverage, while staying within the budget.

ROME ROCK ASSOCIATION LIASON : *There was none at this time.*

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT : Acting Police Chief Dan Bennett provided a written report of the recent activity handled by the department for the month of August. The department participated in the AAA Helmet Safety program issuing a "citation" good for a free ice cream cone at the Marina when children are spotted wearing their bike helmets.

COMMITTEE REPORT : *Planning/Zoning* - Administrator Grippi noted that the committee is busy working with Julie Linder, PUD specialist, on the Rt. 6 condo site. There are some concerns that need to be sorted out and will continue to work on it. *Finance/Audit* - Roy Brommer reported that the committee met prior to the meeting to approve the bills. *Lake Dam/Stormwater* - Mayor Ball added that the lake was lowered for a short period to stop the overflow of the main spillway so that the pond at the bottom could be emptied and inspected to meet the requirements of ODNR. All is well, the fish were re-located as well as two large turtles. The area near the auxiliary spillway was recently re-seeded also. *Personnel* - Marlene Hocevar reported that the committee has not met, but has been very busy gathering wage and benefit information from other municipalities. Once completed, the committee will report their findings to Council. *Safety* - Mayor Ball informed council that the committee met prior to this meeting and discussed the safety helmet program, as well as the Acting Chief Bennett setting up meetings with the gas and electric company on how to handle downed wires and broken lines. Hosting meetings with Police departments within our County is also planned for the future. *SCAD* - Ed Koziol noted that SCAD responded to 129 calls

last month, 10 within our Village, 76 YTD. *Utility* - Mayor Ball informed everyone that the current lift station replacement project is almost completed. Bob Cook went on to explain the Cherrywood sewer line replacement project aka the "monster project". The sewer line runs thru Cherrywood cove and very infrequently surfaces which could cause a problem if it was hit. *Roads* - Repair was completed on the Village owned roadways on the east side noted Mayor Ball. *Community Development and Records* had nothing to report at this time.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT : Administrator Grippi provided a written report highlighting projects underway, pending and planned for the future. One of our Utility workers has submitted his resignation, leaving on opportunity for employemnt. The beginning salary is \$12.50 per hour and will be required to obtain the necessary water and sewer licenses. Discussion on the donated generator and if it would be sufficient to run the lift station followed. One vendor state that is would not be and Bob Cook disagreed.

OLD BUSINESS : Ed Koziol read a letter from Rick Gainar asking Council to look into the well-funded, costly health insurance that is provided to the Village employees. Ed stated that the health care premium took several steep increases over the years, and why was not Council informed.

NEW BUSINESS : Bob Cook asked Council if Council was going to take any action on the proposal offered by Rome Rock Association to mow the berms of our roadways. Mayor Ball added that the Village did purchase a truck to do the plowing, so that service is not needed. He had asked in the past for a breakdown and an explanation on the price quoted for grass mowing, but had not received it. Ed Koziol made a motion, seconded by Cheryl Fain, to counter propose to the Association that we would pay the amount which we currently are paying a private contractor for the mowing of the berm. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 672-07-17 : *Authorizing the Solicitor to Seek the Demolition of 2514 Hayford Road, (1st -Tabled)* No action taken, remained tabled.

ORDINANCE 673-07-17 : *Authorizing the Solicitor and Administrator to Serve Notice the Intent to Purchase 597 Thrush and adjoining Contiguous Lots (2nd - Tabled)* No action taken, remained tabled.

ORDINANCE 674-09-17 : *Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by The Budget Commission (1st).* A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Cheryl Fain, to waive the rules on Ordinance 674-09-17. The motion passed with all in favor. A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Cheryl, Fain to pass Ordinance 674-09-17 as an Emergency. The motion passed with all in favor. A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Cheryl Fain, to pass Emergency Ordinance 674-09-17 for the first and final reading. The motion passed with all in favor.

ANY OTHER COUNCIL BUSINES : The Western Reserve Greenway Trail would like to extend the lease with the Village for construction of a parking lot adjacent to the current waste water treatment plant. This will be a topic of discussion at the next work session.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL OF PAYMENT : A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Cheryl Fain to approve payment of the following bills : Kyle Smith - \$1,250.00, Kevin Grippi - \$143.49, TAC Computers - \$50.00, Treasurer, State of Ohio - \$600.00, Government Accounting Solutions - \$1,300.00, Fleming Lawn Care - \$760.00, Emergency Plumbing - \$150.00, Lake Shore Pest Control - 148.50, PermaGro - \$4,000.00, Northeastern Communication - \$411.20, Ashtabula City - \$2,250.00, Atlas Business Solutions - \$300.00, Quill - \$123.15, Comdoc -- \$401.63, Classic Ford of Madison - \$1,856.00, The Illuminating Company - \$107.86, Fleming Lawn Care - \$500.00, Pro Paving - \$29,840.00, C & L Lawn Care - \$400.00. The motion passed with all in favor.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS : *Sara McMillin* asked for clarification on the lease for the construction of a parking lot by Western Reserve Greenway Trails. *Yvonne Gibson* took exception to the Mayor's comments in regards to school teachers having the summer off. *Mayor Ball meant no harm, he was trying to explain how all our job come with different benefits and such.* *Sandro D'Amicone* asked when is the lake being drawn down since there are several boats already stuck on the bottom. *Mayor Ball added that the draw down in once every three years, and that last year the valve was open all winter, with hardly any effect. It was asked if the Condo project on Rt. 6 will have lake privileges. The area is in the Village, but not within the Association and that is a question that should be directed*

toward them. Carolyn Tharp asked if there are any rules regarding political signs. No, it is a constitutional right and there is no ordinance which regulates them.

ADJOURNMENT : A motion was made by Bob Cook, seconded by Roy Brommer, to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Ball adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER

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