

The meeting of the Council of the Village of Chagrin Falls was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Patton.

Member present: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel
Members absent: Muscenti
Officials present: Mayor Brick, Bloom, Zugan, Brosius, Byron, Lannon

Moved by Mr. Subel, seconded by Mrs. Newell that the absence of Mr. Muscenti be excused. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Newell, seconded by Mr. Herdman that the minutes of the meeting held July 13, 2015 be approved. Carried. Ayes: Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Subel. Abstain: Evans, Patton. Nays: None.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Brick said that the dispatch department should be independent of the village as of September 1, 2015.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

No report.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK TO AGENDA ITEMS (NOT TO EXCEED TWO (2) MINUTES PER PERSON)

None.

CHAPTER 129 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AMENDED

Mr. Byron placed on the floor Ordinance No. 2015-21 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 129 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, CLARIFY THE PROCESS OF APPOINTMENT, AND REPEALING CERTAIN OBSOLETE ORDINANCES.

Moved by Mr. Subel, seconded by Mrs. Evans that the requirement for reading an ordinance three times be suspended. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Moved by Mr. Subel, seconded by Mrs. Evans that the ordinance be adopted. Carried.

Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Comments were heard and questions were answered.

OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PROGRAM/LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mrs. Evans introduced Resolution No. 2015-23 entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

Moved by Mrs. Evans, seconded by Mrs. Lutz that the resolution be adopted. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Mrs. Evans said this allows the Mayor to submit an application to the Ohio Public Works Commission for Capital Improvements so that we can repair Mill Street.

INITIATIVE PETITION - USE OF THE RIVERSIDE PARK DISTRICT

Mr. Patton introduced Ordinance No. 2015-24 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY INITIATIVE PETITION ESTABLISHING NEW CHAPTER 1124 OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY CREATING THE RIVERSIDE PARK DISTRICT WHEREIN THE USES OF THE PARK SHALL BE RESTRICTED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Moved by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mrs. Evans that the requirement for reading an ordinance three times be suspended. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Moved by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mrs. Evans that the ordinance be adopted. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Mr. Patton said if we do not pass these two ordinances tonight, or otherwise have a special meeting before August 5, 2015, that in effect this referendum petition would not be on the ballot next year. It is clear that it would be the desire of this Council to ensure that the democratic process take place and that these matters do get on the ballot this November as opposed to potentially next year. By putting these two matters on the agenda this evening this is in no way to be construed as Council being necessarily in support of the referendum petition. Comments were heard and questions were answered.

INITIATIVE PETITION - ZONING OF THE RIVERSIDE PARK DISTRICT

Mr. Patton introduced Ordinance No. 2015-25 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY INITIATIVE PETITION TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE AND ZONING MAP OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS COMMONLY KNOWN AS RIVERSIDE PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Moved by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mrs. Evans that the requirement for reading an ordinance three times be suspended. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Moved by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mrs. Lutz that the ordinance be adopted. Carried. Ayes: Evans, Herdman, Lutz, Newell, Patton, Subel. Nays: None. Comments were heard and questions were answered.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS COMMITTEE

No report.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

No report.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

No report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

No report.

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

No report.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Mr. Herdman announced a meeting for Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

No report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

No report.

PARKS COMMISSION

Mrs. Lutz reported that the meeting scheduled for tomorrow has been canceled.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

No report.

ARTS COMMISSION

Mrs. Evans announced a meeting for Monday, August 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

PARKING COMMISSION

Mr. Herdman announced that the meeting scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2015 will be rescheduled.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

No report.

REPORT OF THE ENGINEER

No report.

REPORT OF THE POLICE CHIEF

Chief Brosius reported that Safety Town started today and there will be two sessions a day for two weeks.

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

Chief Zupan reported that on Saturday, August 22, 2015 they are going to have an open house, along with the police department, so that everyone can see all of the apparatus and the new fire truck. Area police departments, the service department, and the SWAT team will be there.

They will be serving food.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK TO ANY MATTER (NOT TO EXCEED FIVE (5) MINUTES)

Michelle Paris said she is campaigning for Judge of the Bedford Municipal Court. She gave an overview of her background and qualifications.

Jim Nerpouni, 179 Kenton Road, commented on Mill Street and Ordinance No. 2015-23.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Patton stated that this Council, as well as prior Councils, have extensively engaged in reviews of our budget as well as attempting to determine some kind of course of action in order to increase our revenues. However, as we know, we have been unsuccessful in having any type of Council consensus on how revenues should be increased and based on that impasse that we have, and also coupled with the fact that there are certain people in this community that feel that we have excess funds available within our budget or can otherwise make certain budget cuts to the benefit of the village, I am believing that at this point we should explore the appointment of an independent body to review our budget. We have had this discussion on one level or another in the past.

Mr. Patton announced that he is not going to seek reelection in November. He has thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this Council as well other Councils for the past fourteen years. Due to his increased time constraints as well as some other reasons he has decided to encourage other individuals to run for Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Patton adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

President of Council

Clerk of Council