

Village of Gates Mills
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
January 12, 2010

A regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Gates Mills, Ohio was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. in the Village Hall.

Patrolmen Day and Pollutro, Dispatcher Joseph, and Chester residents Salby and Willis were recognized for rescuing a motorist on November 10, 2009.

Councilmembers present: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.

Councilmembers absent: Schneider.

Mayor White presided.

It was moved by Councilmember Reynolds, seconded by Councilmember Nemastil, that Councilmember Schneider be excused from the meeting.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The oath of office was administered to elected Councilmember Bletcher and re-elected Councilmembers Barnes and Riley by Law Director Charles T. Riehl.

The oath of office was administered to elected Treasurer Robert S. Reitman by Law Director Charles T. Riehl.

It was moved by Councilmember Welsh, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that Councilmember Karen Schneider be elected President of Council Pro Tem for the ensuing year.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Mayor White announced the following appointments to Administrative offices:

Joyce Truse, Village Secretary.

Robert S. Reitman, Income Tax Administrator.

Charles Riehl, Law Director.

Vincent Feudo, Asst. Prosecutor.

Jo Ann Lechman, Finance Administrator and Asst. Tax Administrator.

Jocelyne Linsalata, Assistant Treasurer.

Steven Szeredy, Police Chief.

Dave Biggert, Service Director and Building Inspector.

Tom Robinson, Fire Chief.
William Murfello, Assistant Service Director.

It was moved by Councilmember Welsh, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that the Mayor's appointments to Administrative offices be approved and confirmed.

The minutes of the meeting of December 8, 2009 were presented by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that the minutes be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Nemastil, Reynolds, Welsh.
Nays: None.
Abstain: Bletcher, Riley.
Motion carried.

Pay Ordinance #1113 in the amount of \$685,093.42 was presented by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Welsh, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that Pay Ordinance #1113 be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
Nays: None.
Motion carried.

The financial statement for the period ending December 31, 2009 was presented by the Clerk.

Chief Szeredy presented a written report for the Police Department for the preceding period. He reported that he was preparing an annual report for 2009. The number of accidents in December showed an increase due to weather conditions.

Service Director Biggert presented a written report for his department for the preceding period. Councilmember Reynolds expressed her appreciation of the way the roads were cleared during the recent snow storms.

Chief Robinson presented a written report for the Fire Department for the preceding period.

Resolution #2010-01 entitled "A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor And The Clerk To Enter Into An Agreement With The City Of Mayfield Heights, Ohio For Mutual Fire Protection," was introduced by Councilmember Nemastil and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that the rules requiring resolutions to be read on three different days be suspended and that Resolution #2010-01 be placed upon its final passage.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
Nays: None.
Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, that Resolution # 2010-01 be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

Ordinance #2010-02 entitled “A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase And Installation Of A Hydraulic System, Stainless Steel Spreader, Snow Plow And Appurtenances For A 2007 Sterling Truck,” was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and that Ordinance #2010-02 be placed upon its final passage.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that Ordinance #2010-02 be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for police vehicles.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

Resolution #2010-03 entitled “An Ordinance Amending Section 957.01(A) Of The Gates Mills Code Pertaining To Rules For The Community House,” was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and read by Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Bletcher, that the rules requiring resolutions to be read on three different days be suspended and that Resolution #2010-03 be placed upon its final passage.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

Councilmember Riley suggested changing the wording in (5) to damage beyond ordinary wear and tear. It was then moved by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember Nemastil, that Resolution #2010-03 be approved as amended.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

Ordinance #2010-04 entitled “An Ordinance To Make Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Gates Mills, State Of Ohio, During The Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2010,” was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and that Ordinance #2010-04 be placed upon its final passage.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Abstain: Bletcher
 Motion carried.

It was then moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Riley, that Ordinance #2010-04 be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Abstain: Bletcher.
 Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds that the Rehak lot consolidation on Gray Eagle Chase be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

Business from the audience:

Sandra Turner asked if Council was going to pass a Resolution for a moratorium on drilling wells. Councilmember Bletcher said he would work on a Resolution and present it to Law Director Riehl to be finalized.

MaryAnn Kish feels the Villagers should have been told the options they have with the trash pick up schedule.

Katherine Malmquist from the Gates Mills Library reported the library circulation is doing well.

It was moved by Councilmember Bletcher, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that Councilmember Schneider and Councilmember Riley be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.
 Nays: None.
 Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Riley, that Councilmember Schneider be appointed to the Architectural Review Board.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Reynolds, Riley, Welsh.

Nays: None.
Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Nemastil, seconded by Councilmember Riley, that Councilmember Reynolds be appointed to the Historical Review Committee.

Roll call: Ayes: Barnes, Bletcher, Nemastil, Riley, Welsh.
Nays: None.
Abstain: Reynolds
Motion carried.

At 8:00 p.m. it was moved by Councilmember Bletcher, seconded by Councilmember Riley, that Council go to Executive Session to discuss ~~a legal matter~~ pending litigation with Law Director Riehl.

At 8:18 p.m. Council returned from Executive Session.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilmember Reynolds, second by Councilmember Nemastil, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth DeCapite, Clerk

Approved:

Connie White, Mayor