

Village of Gates Mills
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
August 10, 2010

A regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Gates Mills, Ohio was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 6:30 P.M.

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

Councilmembers absent: Nemastil.

Mayor White presided.

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

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

The minutes of the meeting of July 13, 2010 were presented by the Clerk. Councilmember Bletcher requested that "When asked if the Village would be legally required to maintain the area in perpetuity, Engineer Courtney said 'No'." be added to page 2 paragraph 3. Councilmember Schneider stated that in paragraph 1 on page 2 she, not Councilmember Reynolds, commended the service department for the landscaping in front of the Town Hall and for the work they did on Robinwood Road. It was moved by Councilmember Schneider, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that the minutes as amended be approved.

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

Pay Ordinance #1120 in the amount of \$690,917.68 was presented by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, that Pay Ordinance #1120 be approved.

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

There was a discussion about the credit offered by Engineer Courtney for his services in connection with providing information requested by Councilmember Bletcher. It was moved by Councilmember Bletcher that Council accept the credit. Since no one seconded the motion, it failed.

The financial statement for the period ending July 31, 2010 was presented by the Clerk. Councilmember Barnes, Finance Chairman, pointed out various income and expense items.

Councilmember Bletcher questioned the decrease in Municipal Income Tax. He suggested we request from CCA a list of residents comparing their 2008 to their 2009 income to learn how many the quantity of residents who paid less municipal income tax in 2009 than they paid in 2008.

Chief Szeredy presented a written report for the Police Department for the preceding period.

Councilmember Riley reported on the Safety Committee meeting. In response to Councilmember Reynolds' request at last month's Council meeting to have the time between the red light on Mayfield Road and the green light on Chagrin River Road extended, there will be traffic-signal-ahead signs placed in the Mayfield Road center strip. Councilmember Riley also reported that the committee discussed dispatching. Police Chief Szeredy and Fire Chief Robinson and their Pepper Pike counterparts will meet. If financial input is needed, Councilmember Barnes will be asked to attend.

Councilmember Welsh requested that a copy of all meeting notices be sent to all councilmembers. Finance Administrator Lechman agreed to provide them.

Service Director Biggert presented a written report for his department for the preceding period. He reported that the repair of the slopes on Chagrin River Road should begin within the next two weeks.

Councilmember Bletcher asked if the Village owned house on Glenwood was rented. Councilmember Schneider said she was not at this time at liberty to discuss it.

Chief Robinson presented a written report for the Fire Department for the preceding period. He said that Jeffrey Morley and his friends presented a \$9 donation to the Fire Department. They earned the money from selling cookies and lemonade.

Resolution #2010-26 entitled "An Ordinance For Flood Damage Reduction," was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and given its second reading by the Clerk.

Resolution #2010-27 entitled "A Resolution Approving The Sale Of A Used Service Vehicle," was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Schneider, that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and that Resolution #2010-27 be placed upon its final passage.

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

It was then moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Schneider, that Resolution #2010-27 be approved.

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

Resolution #2010-28 entitled "A Resolution Approving The Sale Of A Used Service Vehicle," was introduced by Councilmember Barnes and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Schneider, that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and that Resolution #2010-28 be placed upon its final passage.

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

It was then moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Schneider, that Resolution #2010-28 be approved.

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

Resolution #2010-29 entitled "An Ordinance To Approve Current Replacement Pages To The Gates Mills Codified Ordinances," was introduced by Councilmember Welsh and read by the Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Welsh, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three different days be suspended and that Resolution #2010-29 be placed upon its final passage.

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

It was then moved by Councilmember Welsh, seconded by Councilmember Reynolds, that Resolution #2010-29 be approved.

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

It was moved by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Welsh, that the Clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for salt for highway purposes.

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

Resolution #2010-30 entitled "An Ordinance Enacting Section 352.031 Of Title Nine Of The Traffic Code, "Parking," Restricting The Time And Purpose For Certain Designated Parking Spaces," was introduced by Councilmember Riley and given its first reading by the Clerk. The following discussion included how many parking spots there should be and the time limit for them.

Business from the audience:

Mitzi Seith stated the need for a collection area for household hazardous waste. She suggested that the Service Department collect the materials and annually take them to Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District in Berea. Diane Bickett of the Solid Waste District is available to discuss this with Council.

Larry Frankel thanked the Fire Department for the containment of the oil spill. He would like more frequent meetings of the Gas Well Committee. He feels that the amount of property taxes paid by Gates Mills residents to schools is not in proportion to the number of Gates Mills students attending them. Councilmember Schneider stated that she feels there should be a representative from each community plus an at-large member on the School Board. Law Director Riehl said he would look into the legal issues involved in the make-up of the School Board.

Councilmember Reynolds feels there should be a protocol for Administration and employees for requesting information from professionals, especially when fees are incurred. This issue should be addressed at next month's Council meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Beth DeCapite, Clerk

Approved:

Connie White, Mayor