

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO

December 12, 2016

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:03 a.m. on Monday, December 12, 2016, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Ryan Cox	Karl Scheucher
Robert Gale	Richard Steudel
Sam Knezevic	Courtenay Taplin

Also in attendance were Clerk/Treasurer Bernice Schreiber, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer nominee Robbi Laps, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, Acting Service Director Bob Haynik, and Law Director Stephen Byron.

Council first considered the minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held November 14, 2016, which had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Gale moved to approve the minutes as revised, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried  
Minutes approved

**Resolution No. 2016-18** - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Taplin moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried  
Resolution No. 2016-18 adopted

**Ordinance No. 2016-9** – "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1313, Architectural Board of Review, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Waite Hill" was read for the third time. The Mayor noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Architectural Board of Review were still working on their recommendations to Council.

**Ordinance No. 2016-13** – "An Ordinance approving and confirming the appointment of Roberta S. Laps, as Deputy Clerk-Treasurer and then as Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Waite Hill, establishing the compensation of the Deputy-Clerk Treasurer and then the Clerk-Treasurer, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency" was read for the first time. After discussion,

Mr. Steudel moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Gale.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Rule suspended

Thereupon, Mr. Cox moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-13, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Ordinance No. 2016-13 adopted

In the absence of Ms. Merritt (who was unable to attend because of a cancelled flight), there was no report from the Communication and Community Outreach Committee. The Chief noted that the Halloween Party had a little higher cost this year, but there were significantly more activities for the younger children in the community and there are many more families with young children in the Village. It was noted that the Halloween Party helps integrate new families into the Village.

Mr. Scheucher reported that the Finance Committee had met and addressed its usual agenda items. There was a review of 2015 and 2016 year-to-date activities, and the Committee has studied the implications of the new residences in the Village on the budget for 2017.

On behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Mr. Knezevic reported on the approval of the lot split of a Creawood property, and the transfer of ownership to a property owner in Kirtland. It will be an unbuildable parcel. There was also a discussion regarding the entry feature for the property at the bottom of the Metcalf Road hill. Also, the new residence in Creawood was approved, after it has been changed at the insistence of the Creawood homeowners association. That house has caused the Village to re-study its ABR approval process, which is the subject of Ordinance No. 2016-9.

Mr. Taplin noted, on behalf of the Safety Committee, that the Village has been quiet. Also, the budget is being realigned to reflect the timing of certain purchases. The Chief reported on a neighbor dispute, and discussion of that matter was deferred at the request of the Law Director until the Council could adjourn to executive session.

On behalf of the Service Committee, Mr. Gale and Mr. Haynik discussed the weekend's snow removal work, and Mr. Haynik complimented the department, and especially the new members of the department who had not handled such winter work before. The entire department performed very well. There was a discussion regarding mailboxes that get hit by the snow and the cost of maintaining the oil/water separator (\$2,950).

After discussion, Mr. Scheucher moved to declare the Village’s Bobcat tracks and the Ford chipper to be surplus property and not needed for any municipal purpose, and to authorize the administration to sell or dispose of the items at its discretion and to report back the value obtained.. It was noted that the property may be only worth scrap value (approximately \$500). Mr. Taplin seconded the motion.

Roll Call:      Yeas:      Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
                     Nays:      None

Motion carried  
Property declared surplus and  
disposal/sale authorized

The Council discussed the fact that the road program is being developed by Tim Lannon. Also, a Metcalf Road property is being upgraded by the new owner and that a new split rail fence may be installed in the spring. The power outage at Metcalf and Eagle was also discussed.

Mr. Scheucher moved to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment and compensation of Village employees and pending or imminent litigation, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cox.

Roll Call:      Yeas:      Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
                     Nays:      None

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned to executive session  
at 8:42 a.m.

Mr. Cox excused himself from the meeting at 9:20.

Mayor Ranallo reconvened the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Council then considered the appropriation ordinances.

**Ordinance No. 2016-14** – “An Ordinance providing appropriations for expenditures and other expenses for the Village of Waite Hill, for fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

Roll Call:      Yeas:      Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
                     Nays:      None

Motion carried  
Rule suspended

Thereupon, Mr. Gale moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-14, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Ordinance No. 2016-14 adopted

**Ordinance No. 2016-15** – “An Ordinance amending the annual appropriation ordinance of the Village of Waite Hill to change certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency” was read for the first time. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved to suspend the rule which requires that ordinances be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Gale.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Rule suspended

Thereupon, Mr. Steudel moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-15, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Ordinance No. 2016-15 adopted

Mr. Steudel then moved to confirm the Mayor’s appointment of Bob Haynik as Service Director, effective January 1, 2017, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

Roll Call: Yeas: Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
Nays: None

Motion carried  
Appointment confirmed

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Scheucher moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Mr. Gale.

Roll Call:      Yeas:      Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin  
                     Nays:      None

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

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Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
              Roberta S. Laps, Clerk-Treasurer