

**Record of Proceedings  
Village of Bremen Council Meeting  
March 12, 2018**

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Mike Henwood at 7:15 P.M. The council, residents and visitors stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Members present were Debbie Wolfe, Toni Harper, Sue Henwood, Sherman Prince and Todd Wesaw. The Clerk Treasurer Jennifer Storey, Village Administrator Jeff White, and Sheriff's Deputy Michael Busby.

**Guests and Residents: Dan Rutherford** wants to be on the Park Committee and has questions about grants. His 501C3 is up and running and asked about his public records requests, which the clerk has filled and explained.

**Mary Hoffman** would like Council's approval to re-start the Dowling Park committee. They have more sources of funding and asked about money previously raised for Dowling. The Clerk responded that the money is available and budgeted for Dowling Park only. Wolfe moved to give full council support to Mrs. Hoffman's efforts regarding the revitalization of Dowling Park; Wesaw second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

The Clerk read the minutes to Special Meeting February 20, 2018. Harper moved to pass the minutes for February 20<sup>th</sup>; Prince second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

The Clerk read the minutes to Special Meeting February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Wolfe asked about adding detail for the Park budget. The Clerk explained that if she adds detail for one topic, she has to add detail for all topics, and the minutes are not meant to detail everything discussed, nor is it meant to be a transcript. Sue Henwood moved to pass the February 22 minutes; Prince second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, nay; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

**Sheriff's Report: (Deputy Busby)**

Deputy Busby distributed his monthly report to Council; there were 38 calls for service; no major incidents. Toni Harper asked about domestic violence reports, and the Deputy explained the difference between domestic violence and domestic disturbance calls.

**Mayor's Report:**

The Mayor announced a Special Meeting of Council on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> to award a bid for the Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project.

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report:**

The Clerk addressed Debbie Wolfe's questions regarding the budget breakouts for the Park. She repeated the information she had given to Mrs. Wolfe previously; she then gave instruction regarding the difference between revenues and appropriations and how donations are documented. The Clerk read her report to Council. Highlights of the report

are as follows:

Our current checking balance as of March 12, 2018 is \$575,186.43

- February 28, 2018 was \$533,296.26
- Our fund balance as of March 12, 2018 is \$541,685.08
- We spent 12.46 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2018.
- We received 17.88 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2018.
- The Clerk informed Council that there is a training session put on by the Ohio Municipal League available and that they need to be registered if they wish to attend.

### **Administrator's Report:**

The Village Administrator submitted his report to Council. His report included the following items he has worked on since the last council meeting:

- Attended committee meetings and represented the Village at various councils at the state and county levels, including the BWC Safety Congress.
- Advertised Pool Lifeguard jobs.
- James has been out on military leave and will return next week.
- Bid will be opened on March 22<sup>nd</sup> for the WTP Improvement Project
- Jamison is wrapping up the Well Installation within the next week or so.
- Sewers will be cleaned on Bartlett and N. Mulberry on 3-21 and 3-22
- Will be attending the Local Government Conference 3-22 and 3-23

### **Approval of Payment of Bills:**

The Clerk distributed the Pay Authorization to Council and some expenditures were discussed. Harper moved to pass the Pay Authorization; Wolfe second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

### **Old Business:**

-Jeff White presented the handbook revisions that were passed in a previous meeting.

### **New Business:**

-There was more discussion regarding a proposed Economic Development Committee for Council

-The Mayor asked for approval of \$2,500 to supplement Sally Grimm's \$6,000 donation for a new pump for the swimming pool. Sue Henwood moved to approve this expenditure; Wesaw second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed. Everyone in attendance expressed their gratitude to Ms. Grimm for her generous donation.

-There was an invoice submitted to the Mayor regarding a resident's sewer back-up, which the Administration has determined to be the responsibility of the village. Prince moved that the Village pay this invoice; Wolfe second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

-Harper asked if we have a schedule for cleaning sewer drains, the Mayor indicated we would begin doing this again.

-Sue Henwood asked that the wording on the newsletter be changed since the horseshoe club does not share the proceeds of their activities. She also asked Mr. Prince about changing the schedule of the committee meetings to spread it out. She also would like the Employee Handbook reflect that the employees all get passes to the swimming pool as a benefit.

## **Ordinances and Resolutions**

### **Resolution 1158                      Pool Rates                      Second Reading**

There are corrections needed before this Resolution passes.

### **Resolution 1159                      Village Solicitor's Contract                      Pass As Emergency**

Harper moved to waive the three-reading requirement and pass the Ordinance as an emergency; Prince second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed. Wolfe moved to pass Resolution 1159; Prince second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

### **Around the Table:**

Harper, Toni:            Would like a copy of the Pool Pump estimate  
Henwood, Sue:        Nothing  
Prince, Sherman:     Nothing  
Empty Seat:            Nothing  
Wesaw, Todd:         Would like a quote to demo old Dowling fountain.  
Wolfe, Debbie         Nothing  
White, Jeffrey:        Nothing  
Mayor Henwood:     There will be an ordinance requiring anyone who wishes to use the name of the Village on a project to ask permission first.  
Storey, Jennifer:     Nothing

Each applicant for the open Village Council seat was given a chance to speak on their own behalf before Council goes into Executive Session:

-Laurie Withem; Would like to see someone with kids of school age on Council  
-Linda Montgomery; Would put aside personal agendas to do right by the Village residents  
-Dan Rutherford; Would promote maintenance program  
-Lee Sparks; Was a business owner and veteran and wants to clean up Bremen  
-Cragi Dennis; Has been a business owner and wants to help the Village  
-Scott Snider; Has worked for the Columbus Metroparks and has management and safety experience.

For full disclosure, the Clerk-Treasurer announced that candidate Linda Montgomery is her mother.

Prince moved to take Council into Executive Session at 8:04pm; Wolfe second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

Prince moved to take Council out of Executive Session at 8:35pm; Harper second. Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

Council President Sherman Prince thanked everyone who expressed interest in the vacant Council Seat. He then nominated Scott Snider to fill the term vacated by Liz Lehman; Sue Henwood Second. Scott Snider accepted the nomination; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Prince, yea; Wesaw, yea; motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Wolfe at 8:37 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, April 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road.

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Sherman Prince  
Council President

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Jennifer R. Storey  
Clerk/Treasurer