

Record of Proceedings
Village of Bremen Council Meeting
November 13, 2017

The Council of the Village of Bremen was called to order in regular session by Mayor Mike Henwood at 7:00 P.M. The council, residents and visitors stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Members present were Sherman Prince, Dave Ray, Debbie Wolfe, Toni Harper, Sue Henwood, and Liz Lehman. The Clerk Treasurer Jennifer Storey, Village Administrator Jeff White, and Sheriff's Deputy Michael Busby were also in attendance.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Sue Henwood asked for a correction. Ray moved to accept the minutes with corrections; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

Guests and Residents:

Dan Rutherford Gave a report of his volunteer activities to Council; expressed his unhappiness with the pond in Howell Park.

The Mayor recognized the newly elected Rushcreek Township Trustees, Chad Ashbaugh and Lisa Burnworth who attended. He also congratulated Toni Harper, Debbie Wolfe and Liz Lehman on their re-election, and also Todd Wesaw on his election to Bremen Council. Council then congratulated the Mayor on his re-election.

Eric Sandine, GGC Engineers Spoke to Council and visitors about the Right-of-Way Ordinance being voted on today. He explained that the firm is creating a map of village right-of-ways that will allow Bremen to recover 26K-34K annually from utility providers. The money will receipt into a special fund then transfer back to the specific fund the money originally came from.

Sheriff's Deputy Report Deputy Busby gave his report to Council; there were 40 calls for service with no major incidents to report. The Mayor reported that he and the Deputy will be discussing details for the 2018 Sheriff's contract. There is an investigation into break-ins at Stuart Burial Vaults. When asked about 323 Marietta St, he responded he had not been given that report.

Mayor's Report:

Leaf pick-up continues; catch basins have been installed and storm drains will be cleaned up. He and Todd Wesaw have talked about electricity rates. Todd is going to work on it and present it to Financial Process Committee. Mr. Wesaw is willing to donate his commission on the contract back to the Village of Bremen. Mr. Wesaw would like the Council to consider building an enclosed recreational center on the site of the old Liberty Bell building. The new water well is now in the middle of its 24 hour test. The Mayor isn't sure if Jamison is going to re-sod the muddy areas around construction. Liz Lehman has had some discolored water, she can typically let it run and it clears up, and next time she will take a sample for Ron Stephens.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report:

The Clerk then submitted a report and read it to Council. Highlights of the report are as follows:

- Received 1 public records request for minutes
- We made our first regular installment to Westerman for the income tax refund
- We have paid off our audit costs for this cycle.
- Our current checking balance as of November 13 is \$553,930.67
 - October 31, 2017 was \$565,349.38
- Our fund balance as of November 13, 2017 is \$529,108.57
- We have spent 58.15 percent of our permanent appropriation budget for 2017.
- We have received 100.34 percent of our annual revenue budget for 2017.
- The Magic Number is 85%

Debbie Wolfe asked for clarification on money being donated for the new Howell Park sign. Toni Harper asked about the Dowling Park fund and how the money can be spent. A resident wanted to know why she did not receive a refund for her park deposit; it was because she did not turn in her checklist sheet. She can get one from Crystal.

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:

- Represented the Village at various board meetings and Council meetings.
- Produced the newsletter
- Filled a public records request.
- James has been promoted to Street Department Crew Leader at \$14.00
- Justin has been given full time status at \$13.25
- Jessica Bell-Sharp has been hired as temporary help for the leaf pick up at \$10.00
- Finally received price booklet for Water Plant renovations from Tonka Water, GGC will work with these numbers to provide recommendations for our Water Treatment Plant project.
- Repair for Waste Water Plant generator will be happening in December.
- Spectrum has taken over providing phone and internet for the Village Office.
- The Verdin clock needs to be fixed/reset.

Approval of Payment of Bills

Between the audit, the first payment to Westerman, and the first disbursement to Jamison, the Village has expended a lot of money this month. Ray moved to waive the reading of the pay authorization and pay the bills; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray, yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

Old Business:

-None

New Business:

- Financial Process needs to review the Clothing Allowance Policy. The Village Administrator will look into providing uniforms for Village employees.
- Has James been up to the water tank right-of-way? Chad Ashbaugh will write up a quote for grade/gravel.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution 1149 Selling Village Equipment Pass As Emergency
Ray moved to waive the three-reading requirement and pass the Resolution as an emergency, Wolfe second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed. Ray moved to pass Resolution 1149; Lehman second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

Resolution 1150 Solid Waste Contract Bid Pass As Emergency
Ray moved to waive the three reading requirement and pass Resolution 1150 as an emergency; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed. Ray moved to pass Resolution 1150; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

Resolution 1151 County Mitigation Plan Pass As Emergency
Sue Henwood moved to waive the three-reading requirement and pass Resolution 1151 as an emergency; Wolfe second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed. Sue Henwood moved to pass Resolution 1151; Lehman second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

Ordinance 9-16-17 Park Rules Final Reading
At the request of the chair of the Parks Committee, this Ordinance was tabled for further review.

Ordinance 9-17-17 Right of Way Ordinance Final Reading
Harper moved to pass Ordinance 9-17-17; Lehman second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, yea; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, yea; the motion passed.

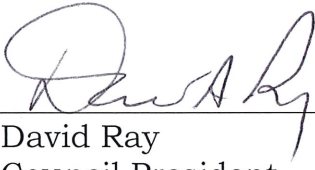
Ordinance 11-18-17 Disposition of Property Pass As Emergency
There was extensive discussion as to where exactly these alleys are located; Jeff and the Mayor explained that they are mostly under the school. Part of the alley is under the pool building but the alley was closed before it was vacated. The Village has used it for so long that by law the Village has the right to continue using it.
Ray moved to waive the three reading requirement and pass 11-18-17; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, nay; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, nay; the motion passed. Sue Henwood moved to pass 11-18-17; Prince second. Prince, yea; Ray; yea; Wolfe, yea; Harper, nay; Sue Henwood, yea; Lehman, nay; the motion passed.

Around the Table:

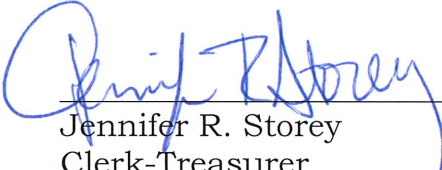
Harper, Toni:	Toni Harper asks that everyone adopt a tone of respect and collegiality toward each other. She apologized for seeming to over-reaching her responsibilities in regards to the Zoning Committee, and also regrets not engaging in more discussion of the wording of the park ordinance.
Wolfe, Debbie:	Would like more transparency and communication; feels the Village should post Council vacancies. Is glad the street department men are getting raises.
Sue Henwood:	Street department is doing a great job at leaf removal, Jessica is also doing well.
Ray, David:	Nothing
Lehman, Liz:	Nothing
Prince, Sherman:	Nothing
White, Jeffrey:	Nothing
Mayor Henwood:	Nothing
Storey, Jennifer:	Nothing

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Dave Ray at 8:50 P.M.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm. at the Village Offices located at 9090 Marietta Road.



 David Ray
 Council President



 Jennifer R. Storey
 Clerk-Treasurer