

**INDIAN LAKE OHIO  
VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES  
November 3, 2014**

Mayor Reames called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Kelly Huffman, present; Ms. Marie Hendel, absent; Mr. John Huffman, present; Mr. Tom LaDow, present; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; Mr. Dave Wallace, present.

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Mr. Roger Brown, Code Enforcement Officer  
Ms. Pat Cochenour, 347 Westview, Russells Point  
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 E. Elliot, Russells Point  
Mr. Nate Dunham, WPKO Radio  
Ms. Ann Elleman, 530 Miami, Russells Point  
Mr. Rob Eshenbaugh, Solicitor  
Ms. Mary Jo Forgione, 204 Oak Crest Ct., Russells Point  
Mr. William Forgione, 204 Oak Crest Ct., Russells Point  
Ms. Melissa Miller, 7102 Hardin, Russells Point

Minutes: **October 20, 2014**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to approve the October 20, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

Reports: **Mayor's Report** –

The October 2014 statement for Mayor's Court showing Village revenue of \$173.00 was presented to Council for approval.

*Mr. Tom LaDow moved to approve the October 2014 Mayor's Court Statement as submitted. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**Code Enforcement Report** –

Code Enforcement Officer Roger Brown reported to council on the number of applications, variances, contractor registrations and notices of violations that have been worked on over the last thirty days.

**Indian Joint Fire District Report** –

Ms. Maxwell reported on the proceedings of the recent meeting of the IJFD.

**Board of Public Affairs Report** –

Council was informed that the main line to the well and the electric has been installed but they are still waiting on the new pitless adapter.

**Finance Committee** –

Money has been appropriated in the water and street department for the purchase of a truck and plow. The department is looking at purchasing a used Suburban, however due to the council rules regarding the limitation on the amount of a purchase order that the Mayor can sign without council's approval, some of the vehicles located are sold prior to being able to

obtain council approval. The committee suggests that council preapprove a set amount to be used to purchase a vehicle.

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to preapprove a purchase order in the amount not to exceed \$19,000 for the used vehicle and plow. Mr. Tom LaDow seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**WRPO Radio Station Report –**

It was reported that the radio station raised \$1,330.30 from it's recent garage sale.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

**A. Ordinance 14-1111, Commercial Generation Supply Agreement with DPL Energy  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO TO  
ENTER INTO A COMMERCIAL GENERATION SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH DPL  
ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO.**

*Mr. Tom LaDow made motion to accept Ordinance 14-1111 by title on the second reading. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**B. Ordinance 14-1112, Amended Appropriations  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS  
POINT, STATE OF OHIO DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014.**

*Mr. Dave Wallace made motion to waive the three reading rule. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Ms. Joan Maxwell made motion to accept Ordinance 14-1112 by title. Mr. Dave Wallace seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**C. Ordinance 14-1113, Agreement with Logan County Water Pollution Control  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT  
WITH THE LOGAN COUNTY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT TO PERMIT  
THE DISTRICT TO USE THE VILLAGE'S WATER TOWER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR  
THE PUPOSE OF THE PLACEMENT AND USE OF THE DISTRICT'S SCADA ANTENNA  
IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN  
THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO.**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell made motion to waive the three reading rule. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Mr. John Huffman made motion to accept Ordinance 14-1113 by title. Mr. Tom LaDow seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

A. Mary Forgione, 204 Oak Crest Ct., Russells Point

Ms. Forgione asked the status of completion on the Indian Lake/Great Miami River Open Space Project. Mayor Reames noted that the seeding for the project will not take place until next spring.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. CDBG Grant FY2013 for Storm Sewer & Catch Basin Repair

The repairs have been completed and the area has been re-seeded.

B. Personnel Policy

The new personnel policy will go into effect on Wednesday, November 2, 2014. Clemans Nelson will attend a meeting with all employees to review the manual and address any questions they may have.

C. Agreement with Ms. Janice Rogers, 316 Westview

Mr. Eshenbaugh stated that the agreement with Ms. Rogers should be signed by the end of this week. The agreement gives Ms. Rogers until April 1, 2015 to make the necessary repairs to be in compliance with the village's ordinances. Otherwise, Ms. Rogers will need to remove the structure by May 1, 2015.

D. Available Grant Writing Services with Gatchell Resources

It was suggested the Gatchell Resources be contacted to see if there may be any grants available to repair or replace the damaged playground equipment.

E. Wind Turbines

In regards to discussions in the previous council meeting, it was decided that Mr. Eshenbaugh will prepare a letter supporting the efforts of the Logan-Hardin Neighbors United, opposing the Scioto Ridge Wind Project.

Mr. Eshenbaugh will also be working on preparing an ordinance for the village to adopt restricting windmills within the Village of Russells Point.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Leaf Dumpsters

Council agreed to place (4) 20 yard dumpsters in front of the Municipal Building for residents to dispose of their leaves.

*Mr. Dave Wallace made a motion to place the dumpsters behind the Municipal Building.  
The motion died for lack of a second.*

B. Eastern Shawnee Tribe Meeting

The Chief of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe will be in Ohio from November 7th through the 13th and would like to meet with Council. Council agreed to have a Special Meeting on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

C. Property Forfeiture, 417 High Ave., Russells Point

The village has been offered the property located at 417 High Ave. through property forfeiture. The village has received prior properties through this procedure at no cost, however due to recent court decisions; the village may be required to pay the back taxes on the property which totals over \$23,000. It was decided that the village will not act on the offer.

D. Office Closures

The village office will be closed November 11, 2014 for Veterans Day.

Council was asked if they would like to close the offices the day after Thanksgiving as has been done in previous years.

*Mr. Tom LaDow moved to close the Municipal Building on Friday, November 28, 2014. Employees are to use their banked leave time to receive pay for this day. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

E. Golf Cart Seat Belts

Mr. Wallace suggested that the village review its golf cart ordinance prior to the spring season. He noted that there is nothing in the ordinance stating that seat belts are required. Mr. Eshenbaugh explained that the ordinance is written that golf carts are defined as a motor vehicle and the Ohio Revised Codes states that all motor vehicles must have seat belts.

*Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 14-1114   Next Resolution: 14-806

Scheduled Meetings:

A. **Council Meeting: Monday, November 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

B. Board of Public Affairs Meeting: Monday, November 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

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Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

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Mayor Robin Reames

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Date Passed