

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

**MEETING MINUTES
December 5, 2017**

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

Roll Call: Ms. Marie Hendel, present; President Pro-Tem, Mr. John Huffman, present; Ms. Kelly Huffman, present; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; Ms. Libby Stidam, 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. Elliott Rd., Russells Point
Ms. Ann Elleman, 530 Miami Ave., Russells Point
Mr. Greg Iiams, 211 Clermont, Russells Point
Mr. Joe Freyhof, Police Chief
Mr. John Norton, 104 Grand Ave., Russells Point

Minutes: **November 20, 2017 Council Meeting**

Mr. John Huffman moved to approve the November 20, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Marie Hendel, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 6 yeas – 0 nays

Reports: **Mayor's Report** –

The November 2017 statement for Mayor's Court showing Village revenue of \$1,802.50 was presented to Council for approval.

Mr. Dave Wallace moved to approve the November 2017 Mayor's Court Statement as submitted. Ms. Libby Stidam seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Marie Hendel, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 6 yeas – 0 nays

Indian Joint Fire District Report –

Ms. Maxwell reported on the recent fire board meeting.

Code Enforcement Report –

Mr. Brown reported on recent zoning permits, notices of violation, and contractor registrations. He is also working with an engineer hired by the new owner of the vacant property to the west side of Rite Aid in regards to zoning requirements and storm drainage.

Mr. John Norton addressed council regarding a notice of violation that was issued on September 15, 2017 for mowing and weeds, and the invoice that was issued by the village on November 24, 2017 for services performed by village personnel to remedy the violation. Mr. Norton described a sequence of events that happened with the person he had charged with mowing the property in his absence and asked that council consider waiving the charges. He also claimed that the property was mowed prior to village employees taking action, and that the village "scalped" the lawn.

Mr. Brown reported that some weed removal was done on one side of the property, however the remainder of the property was still in violation when village personnel took steps to

remediate. He added that the street department noted that the mower was set to 5-1/2 inches when mowing. Mr. Brown also provided pictures of the property that was taken prior to mowing. Mayor Reames asked that council take the matter under advisement.

Police Department Report –

Chief Freyhof reported on recent and upcoming trainings for the department to meet their continuing education requirements. He will be attending a program at Clark State Community College in an effort to recruit additional auxiliary and part-time officers.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

A. **Ordinance 17-1157; Establish Unclaimed Funds Trust Fund (third reading)**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO CREATE AND UTILIZE AN UNCLAIMED FUNDS TRUST FUND IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO

Mr. John Huffman made a motion to accept Ordinance 17-1157 by title on the third reading. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Marie Hendel, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 6 yeas – 0 nays

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **Old Cell Tower and Satellite Dishes at Leppich Field**

The old tower, shed, and satellite dishes have been taken down and removed. The only structure left is a concrete block building which will be removed by the village.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Clean Ohio Funds**

The Mayor reported that there are additional funds left in the OPWC Clean Ohio program. Patrick Beam of Beam Designs is checking to see if funds could be used to remove the old railroad trestle in the John & Mary Rudolph Nature Area.

B. **Finance Committee Meeting**

A finance meeting was scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building.

Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Libby Stidam. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 17-1158 Next Resolution: 17-896

Scheduled Meetings:

A. **Council Meeting: Monday, December 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

B. Board of Public Affairs Meeting: Monday, December 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Mayor Robin Reames

Date Passed