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Board of Alderman Minutes
81 S. Orchard Blvd.
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Roll call taken by President Stephen Foley. Mayor out of town.
Present: Anthony Miller, Tom Gourley, Stephen Short, Samantha Bowman, and Dayna Ault.

Call to order at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC PORTION- Public may speak on any item on agenda.

PLANNING AND ZONING VACANCY.

PARK BOARD VACANCY.

MML LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE. Dayna Ault will go to conference if no one else can.

FAIR GROVE SCHOOL SEWER ADJUSTMENT DUE TO WATER LEAK (\$172.80).

Water did not go down sewer per Gourley.

Motion by Miller to adjust sewer bill for Fair Grove School \$172.80.

Second Bowman. No discussion.

Miller aye, Gourley aye, Foley aye, Short aye, Bowman aye, Ault aye.

APPROVE SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO BE PUBLISHED.

Motion by Miller to approve semi-annual financial statement as submitted.

Second Bowman. No discussion.

Miller aye, Gourley aye, Foley aye, Short aye, Bowman aye, Ault aye.

DISCUSS CONTRACTING FOR CITY WIDE TRASH SERVICE. (Public Works)

Bowman stepped away from Board table due to conflict of interest.

Notice Letters has to be sent 2 years in advance giving trash collectors warning before the city can approve a city-wide trash service. Short researched rates between \$10 to \$12.50 and deposit of \$15.00. City of Buffalo owned truck and did their own hauling for a while but it was not financially feasible. Less wear and tear on streets. Should save citizens money. Springfield looking into doing zoned areas.

Samantha Bowman acting as a citizen stated City of Willard does a preferred provider trash service.

Ault stated good idea but doesn't want to put anyone out of business.

Miller- it is wise not to put anybody out of business and customer service is a big issue. Does not like taking choice away from citizens.

Gourley stated he would be for it.

Consensus of Board to move forward with letter and make sure trash service gets put on the same day of the week.

Motion by Ault to send out notice letter to the trash companies. Second Short. This will be worked on between now and the two year deadline.

Miller no, Gourley aye, Foley aye, Short aye, Ault aye.

Clerk read vote, 4 ayes and 1 no. Motion passes. Bowman did not vote.

Bowman back at Board table.

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DISCUSS BACKUP SNOW REMOVAL. (Short) Short reported all contractors he has contacted are too busy to take on city back up snow removal that Thomas Excavating cannot handle.

Chris Hodges 511 E. Maple Street addressed Board. He has a 10' blade on a bobcat that would work for that purpose. He would work by the hour.

Short- it is too late to bid for this year but will definitely get bids for next year.

Consensus of the Board city can call on Hodges in case of emergency.

DISCUSS PRIVATE PROPERTY ENCROACHMENTS ON CITY SEWER MAIN LINES. (Short) Short wants to contact City Attorney to get legal documents addressing two properties that are encroaching on city sewer main lines. This issue will be a red flag if current property owners try to sale their property. City Attorney did submit an opinion letter addressing encroachment issues; but not addressing these two specific properties.

Short thinks this would be the professional way to address the issue.

Consensus of Board to put on next agenda for more discussion.

SEWER REPORT Hokanson present to give report. Rain has been an issue. Manhole project is ongoing. Manhole risers have been ordered. A rotor went down, had to get parts for bearing and ordered extra bearing and seal kit for any future breakdowns. Replaced wire covering.

PUBLIC WORKS Hokanson reported putting down salt and rock during ice storm. Trimmed a few trees that had fallen. Working on street repair at Saddle Club and Meadowlark Street.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2016

Motion by Miller to approve November and December 2016 financial statements.

Second Bowman. Miller aye, Gourley aye, Foley aye, Short aye, Bowman aye, Ault aye.

PARK BOARD Minutes available.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Greg Porter present to give report. 2016 grant cycle is finished. Going for the 2017 grant. Received grant for state operability Moswin Radio's which will be mandatory at some point. Cost of which is \$10,000 to \$15,000. Received two \$500 grant donations from Walmart that was going to purchase a drone, but insurance for drone is cost prohibited. Instead going to purchase response equipment.

Teamed up with Crosslines and Police Department to deliver food and blankets to Senior Housing in December. Trying to get a monthly food delivery to Senior Housing from Crossline once a month.

Siren testing went well.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Sgt. Way present to give report. Chief Mallory canceled vehicle order from Republic Ford. Reordered from Columbia Ford which was \$100 higher on bid. Vehicle should be here February 10th. All end of year reports are completed and are compliant in every field. All grants are closed out. Police training with MIRMA is completed and scored at 120%.

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CITY CLERK Attended TAC meeting. This meeting was for Bike/Pedestrian transportation needs. A sidewalk on Hwy 125 is a top priority for our region.
We have a CASP worker doing some paper scanning for us. She is working a few hours a day, a few days a week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer-Short submitted an informational letter that addressed if a citizen has a sewer back up. This letter will be attached to sewer deposit application.
Public Works- Short reported crack sealing will be done in house at approximate cost of \$9700. Crack sealing expenditure on next agenda.
Short reported a volunteer group is gathering at City Hall this Saturday at 9:00 a.m. to help citizens with their brush removal. Citizens should stack their brush from ice storm next to the street. Any volunteer that wants to help should meet at City Hall at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVE BOARD OF ALDERMAN MINUTES Motion by Miller to approve December 13, 2016 and January 10, 2017. Second Ault.
Miller aye, Gourley aye, Foley aye, Short aye, Bowman aye, Ault aye.

Mayor Report No report.

Motion by Miller to adjourn. Second Bowman. All ayes.

Adjourned at 8:10p.m.

Dana Louderbaugh