

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

**MEETING MINUTES  
July 20, 2015**

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

Roll Call: Ms. Marie Hendel, present; Ms. Kelly Huffman, absent; President Pro-Tem, Mr. John Huffman, absent; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; Ms. Libby Stidam, present; Mr. Dave Wallace, present.

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Ms. Pat Cochenour, 347 Westview, Russells Point  
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliot, Russells Point  
Ms. Ann Elleman, 530 Miami, Russells Point  
Ms. Judy Eubanks, 121 E. Aiken, Russells Point  
Mr. Joe Freyhof, Police Chief  
Ms. Shelly Harmon, Community Action Partnership  
Mr. Tom Hendel, 23 Lake Lane, Russells Point  
Mr. Mike Hennon, Verizon Wireless  
Mr. Greg Iams, 211 Clermont, Russells Point  
Ms. Melissa Miller, 7102 Hardin, Russells Point  
Ms. Kim Puckett, Community Action Partnership  
Mr. Jason Richter, Street/Water Department  
Ms. Pam Rogers, 7127 Clark, Russells Point  
Mr. Conner Scott, Bellefontaine Examiner  
Mr. Blake Wright, 4750 Handcock, Russells Point

Minutes: **July 6, 2015**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to approve the July 6, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes. Ms. Libby Stidam seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays.*

**July 13, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to approve the July 13, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes.*

*Mr. Dave Wallace seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays.*

Reports: **Fiscal Officers Report** –

Mr. Weidner referred Council to the June 2015 Bank Reconciliation, Cash Fund Reports, and payment register. The reconciliation report shows the Village books reconciled with the bank. The Village has a pooled cash balance of \$2,758,141.02. Since it was the end of a quarter, council was also provided copies of the revenue and appropriation status reports. *Mr. Dave Wallace moved to approve the Fiscal Officers Report as submitted. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays.*

**Police Report** –

A quote was received from Sunny Communications in the amount of \$9,378.00 for (4) mobile and (6) portable radios with mics that will be compatible with the new MARCS system. The quote does not include holders, antennas or installation. The radios will have a \$20.00 per month charge for each radio.

Chief Freyhof reviewed the recent log generated by the speed detector that was placed on W. Main Street. With the department allowing speeds up to 10 MPH over the limit before ticketing, he felt that if the speed limit was reduced from 35 to 25 would help slow traffic in the area.

In accordance with the 1-3-5 year budget the police department would like to obtain a new cruiser in 2016. Chief Freyhof has obtained a quote for an SUV in the amount of \$24,729 which does not include optional equipment or the transfer of current equipment. An equipped vehicle is estimated to be \$35-\$36,000. Trade-in value for the 2008 Charger is estimated at \$6,200 and \$9,100 for the 2012 Charger.

As discussed in a recent Neighborhood Watch Meeting, the Mayor asked if council would like to have a special council meeting to discuss placing an issue on the ballot to raise money for the Police Department and whether it is placed as a 3 mil levy or as an additional income tax levy. The Mayor will discuss the availability of the Solicitor and inform council of the date for a special meeting.

**Park Board Report –**

An open house and dedication of Leppich Field will be held August 2, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. Carol Morey, daughter of Al Leppich will be in attendance. If the weather does not cooperate, the event will be held in the Municipal Building.

During the installation of the replacement parts for the large piece of playground equipment at the Municipal Building, other deficiencies were found and reported by the installers. Estimates were obtained for the replacement parts for both pieces of equipment. The replacement parts for the small piece of equipment is estimated at \$668.00, however they will be replaced free of charge and no shipping costs. The large piece is estimated at \$4,055.00; however the only cost to the village will be \$738.00 for shipping. They will be working on getting an estimate for the installation of all replacement parts.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

**A. Ordinance 15-1117, Vectren Gas**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO VECTREN ENERGY DELIVERY OF OHIO, INC. AND INDIANA GAS COMPANY, AS TENANTS IN COMMON, THEIR SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A GAS FRANCHISE IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, STATE OF OHIO, FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS, AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING FOR ADDITIONAL PERIODS OF FIVE (5) YEARS UNLESS NOTICE IS GIVEN, COMMENCING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.**

*The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Ordinance on the third reading. No motion was made and the ordinance was allowed to die for lack of motion.*

**A. Ordinance 15-1119, Litter & Weeds**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CHATER 521.13, ENTITLED “LITTER; WEEDS” INTO THE RUSSELLS POINT CODIFIED ORDINANCES IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to accept Ordinance 15-1119 by title on the first reading. Ms. Marie Hendel seconded the motion.*

*Discussion: Council inquired as to why the need to change the ordinance that is currently on the books. They also noted several changes such as the allowable weed height, and the lack of any penalty. Mayor Reames noted that there was need for clarification as to the process of notification to the property owners, and that she has made contact with the solicitor regarding the deletion of the penalty that needs to be assessed. She also noted that changes could be made throughout the three readings to correct any mistakes.*

*After discussion, Ms. Joan Maxwell wished to withdraw her motion.  
Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to table Ordinance 15-1119. No second was made. Since there was no further discussion or motions, the Ordinance died.*

**PRESENTATIONS:**

A. Ms. Shelly Harmon & Ms. Kim Puckett, Community Action

Ms. Harmon & Ms. Puckett explained the various programs offered by the Community Action Partnership to help those with low to moderate income. They explained how it would be beneficial to the area residents to be able to offer services locally by providing a satellite office. They would like to use a small area of the municipal building once a month for meeting with local clients. Council agreed to allow the group use of the municipal building chambers during regular business hours.

B. Mike Hennon, Verizon Wireless Temporary & Permanent Tower Status

Permanent Tower: The plans are still in the approval process which is taking longer than normal due to the flood plain elevation of the proposed site.

Temporary Tower: The FCC temporary status for the tower has been extended until February 2016. If the permanent tower has not been completed before the expiration date, the temporary tower will need to be moved at least 100 feet. Mr. Hennon does not believe the permanent tower will be in operation before the expiration date. He provided a map with a new proposed location. Council agreed to allow the movement of the temporary tower to the new location, if needed.

An updated license agreement for the temporary tower will be drafted by Mr. Hennon for council to approve in the event the permanent tower is not complete.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:**

A. Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliot Rd., Russells Point

Ms. DeVault noted several upcoming events and meetings around the area.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Flood Damage Assessment

The village as well as other villages and townships around Logan County completed the necessary paperwork as provided by the Logan County EMA to submit expenses related to the recent flooding. It will take approximately 2-3 weeks to find out if the village is eligible for state or federal funding assistance.

B. Stop Light Repairs

Capital Electric has provided a rough estimate of \$6,500 to replace a broken loop conduit and wire. The light is currently in working order but it is a temporary fix. The street department will look at the repair issue to see if they are able to make the repairs.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Thank You from Antique and Classic Boat Society

Mr. Dave Wallace was asked to read a letter from the Indian Lake Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society. The letter was to express their thanks to the Village, the Mayor and Police Chief for helping to facilitate the street closure during the Wooden Keels & Vintage Wheels event held last Saturday.

B. 108 Fairview, Property Cleanup

Council wished to thank Mayor Reames and the Community Service Workers for the progress that they have made cleaning up the property located at 108 Fairview.

*Mr. Dave Wallace made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.  
The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.*

Scheduled Meetings:

- A. **Council Meeting: Monday, August 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.**
- B. Board of Public Affairs Meeting: Monday, July 27, 2015 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