

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

**MINUTES  
July 7, 2014**

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

Roll Call: Ms. Judy Eubanks, absent; Ms. Kelly Huffman, present; Mr. John Huffman, present; Mr. Tom LaDow, present; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; President Pro-tem, Mr. Steve Reid, present.

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Mr. Dale Albert, Water Superintendent  
Ms. Shirley Bell, 486 Madison Ave., Russells Point  
Ms. Marilyn Brackney, 484 Madison Ave., Russells Point  
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 E. Elliot, Russells Point  
Mr. Rob Eshenbaugh, Village Solicitor  
Ms. Donna Fisher, 145 Otter Ct.  
Mr. Joe Freyhof, Police Chief  
Mr. Bill Heinz, Sunnycove, Russells Point  
Ms. Christine Hunt, 239 E. Wilgus, Russells Point  
Mr. Greg Iams, 211 Clermont Ave., Russells Point  
Ms. Bev Kemmere, Sunnycove Lot 21, Russells Point  
Ms. Verida Mallory, 485 Madison Ave., Russells Point  
Mr. Mike Myers, 601 Lincoln Blvd., Russells Point  
Mr. Chuck Rumery, Sunnycove Lot 10, Russells Point  
Mr. David Wallace, 251 Chase, Russells Point

Minutes: **June 16, 2014**

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to approve the June 16, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes with corrections. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

Reports: **Mayor's Report** –

The June 2014 statement for Mayor's Court showing Village revenue of \$1,108.50 was presented to Council for approval.

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to approve the June 2014 Mayor's Court Statement as submitted. Mr. Tom LaDow seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**Parks & Recreation Report** –

A temporary use permit has been obtained for the concession stand; the committee will be working on painting the fence and cleaning up the third baseball diamond at Leppich Field. A tournament will be held next year at the fields and they are expecting nearly 70 teams to be participating.

**BPA Report** –

Mr. Dale Albert addressed Council with regards to running the main water line from the new well to the plant. In an effort to save additional cost, the line would need to run through the left field of one of the baseball diamonds. The line would not be installed till after all

scheduled games at the field are over. He asked Council to approve the line running through the baseball diamond provided the field is placed back to its original condition once complete.

*Mr. Steve Reid made motion to allow the raw water line to be run through the left field of the baseball diamond. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

#### **Police Report –**

Chief Freyhof reported the resignation of Officer Jerrod Hostetler and noted that he will be advertising for someone to fill the position as well as additional Auxiliary Officers.

Council was asked for clarification of additional funds made available to the police department during the January 20, 2014 meeting.

*Mr. Steve Reid made motion to allow auxiliary officers to be paid, waiving the 16 hour prior to being in paid status, providing they are filling in for a full-time officer. Mr. Tom LaDow seconded the motion.*

Discussion: Council was also asked to clarify if the 16 hours per month required by auxiliary officers prior to being in paid status will be by calendar month or within a 30 day period.

Discussion also included the option of paying the auxiliary through payroll or paying straight pay and 1099 the individual at the end of the year. These various options will be left to the discretion of the Police Chief and the Fiscal Officer.

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

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

The village has acquired a 2005 4x4 pickup truck that was abandoned and forfeited by the previous owner. After transfer of ownership occurred Chief Freyhof had various repairs made on the truck at an estimated cost of \$800.00. He noted that this may be a viable option for a small plow truck or work truck for the village. Mr. John Huffman noted that the plow may be too heavy and the front end of the truck may need to be reinforced. The matter will be researched further and a decision will be made as to whether to keep the truck or sell it on GovDeals.

It was also noted that Officer Fenwick has completed his EMT training at the top of his class.

#### **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

##### **A. Ordinance 14-1108, Operation of Golf Carts**

###### **AN ORDINANCE SPECIFYING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE OPERATION OF A GOLF CART IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO.**

Council agreed to give citizens the opportunity to speak in regards to the Ordinance prior to a motion and a vote. Ms. Verida Mallory, Mr. Bill Heinz, Mr. Chuck Rumery, Ms. Christine Hunt and Mr. Dave Wallace showed their support in favor of passing the ordinance. Ms. Donna Fisher noted that St. Mary of the Woods Church would like to be able to shuttle people from the church to the statue of Fatima using golf carts on August 15, 2014. She was informed that if the ordinance passes on this reading there is a 30 day waiting period before it goes into effect, which would be prior to the event. *Mr. John Huffman moved to accept Ordinance 14-1108 by title on the third & final reading. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Kelly Huffman, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Tom LaDow, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, nay; Mr. Steve Reid, nay.*

*The motion passed: 3 yeas – 2 nays.*

##### **B. Resolution 14-798, Experience Works**

###### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EXPERIENCE WORKS, TO**

**PERMIT EMPLOYMENT OF ELIGIBLE WORKERS IN THE PROGRAM IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO.**

*Mr. John Huffman moved to accept Resolution 14-198 by title on the third & final reading. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**C. Resolution 14-799, Agreement with L.C. Commissioners**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, TO ACCEPT REAL PROPERTY TRANSFERRED TO THE VILLAGE, AND TO EXECUTE AN EASEMENT BACK TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE USE OF A PIPELINE(S) ON SAID REAL PROPERTY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO.**

*Mr. John Huffman moved to waive the three reading rule. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Ms. Joan Maxwell moved to accept Resolution 14-799 by title. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

**A. Ms. Verida Mallory, 485 Madison Ave., Russells Point**

Ms. Mallory asked to have the Madison street signs changed to have them all say Madison Avenue, there is a section that says Madison Street which causes confusion. She also asked that the Neighborhood Watch sign on her street be removed, noting that it is deterring potential buyers of her home. Council pointed out that this would more likely be a benefit that neighbors watch out for each other.

She also feels that Council should reconsider the ordinance not allowing snowmobiles in the village. Council noted that the police department is very lenient in regards to snowmobile passing through the village for fueling purposes, and added that snowmobiles are allowed to be operated in the village during snow emergencies.

**B. Ms. Christine Hunt, 239 Wilgus, Russells Point**

Ms. Hunt noted that she received a bill from CCA stating that she had 15 days to pay without no explanation of what the bill was for or how it was calculated. Ms. Huffman noted that most of their letters have codes numbers on the face of the bill which correspond to the explanation on the back side of the bill.

**C. Ms. Donna Fisher, 145 Otter Ct.**

Ms. Fisher questioned what will need to be done to allow St. Mary of the Woods Church to be able to use golf carts to transport people to the statue of Fatima event in August. She was informed of the steps of obtaining a golf cart permit and when they will be available.

**D. Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 E. Elliot, Russells Point**

Ms. DeVault noted that the deck over Sandy Beach Bridge has been installed and is ready to paint. The bridge will be open to the public on August 23, 2014.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Personnel Manual**

Mr. Eshenbaugh reported that the draft will be ready for Council to review sometime next week. The procedures have been set, however there are a couple of things that need to be discussed by Council. Mr. Eshenbaugh will prepare an ordinance for the acceptance of the manual.

B. CDBG Grant

The CDBG grant that was awarded last year for the storm water project will be starting soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. OPWC Paving

Mayor Reames updated Council regarding a recent meeting with the Logan County Engineers. The meeting was to review the 2015 sales tax resurfacing and 2015 OPWC resurfacing for villages. Funding in the amount of \$61,000.00 is available through the OPWC grant with a 10% match from the village. The street superintendent is working on evaluating and rating the current road conditions around the village.

B. Council Member Resignation

Mayor Reames reported that she has received a letter of resignation from Ms. Judy Eubanks. A press release will be issued to notify residents interested in filling the position to come to the next Council meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

*Mr. John Huffman moved to go into executive session at 8:59 p.m. to discuss the employment of a public employee. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Mr. John Huffman moved to go out of executive session at 9:53 p.m. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Mr. Steve Reid made a motion to allow Chief Freyhof to serve as an interim Code Enforcement Officer. 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. Steve Reid, yea.*

*The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays.*

*Mr. Tom LaDow made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Kelly Huffman seconded the motion.*  
The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 14-1109    Next Resolution: 14-800

Scheduled Meetings:

A. **Council Meeting: Monday, July 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

B. Board of Public Affairs Meeting: Monday, July 14, 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