

MINUTES
AMELIA VILLAGE COUNCIL
OCTOBER 8, 2013

PRESENT: Derrick Campbell, Chris Dickerson, Susan Elliott, Katie Krafka, Renee Gerber, Todd Hart/Mayor, Julie Wartman/Clerk Pro-Tempore

In Attendance: David Friend, Police Chief; Kristen Rover, Clermont Sun Reporter; Residents: Mary Ellen Webb, Stacy Dickerson, Brenda Bowman, Jay Jones, Judy Messer, , Jennifer Clark, Abigail Clark, Kaleb Clark, Sophia Clark, Kara Deimling, Chad Deimling.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

MOTION to appoint Julie Wartman Clerk Pro-Tempore was made by Derrick Campbell. Motion was seconded by Renee Gerber. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hart thanked all for attending and opened the floor with a letter of recognition read to Councilman Derrick Campbell. While recently attending a local function, Mr. Campbell stepped in and administered the Heimlich maneuver to save the life of a young man who was choking. Mr. Campbell was awarded a certificate and an engraved statuette.

Mayor Hart then read a letter from Miss Abigail Clark, a 7th grade student who is doing a science project for her school. She is interested in setting up a recycling day for Amelia. The Mayor informed Miss Clark that he shared her idea to Mr. Paul Braasch, Director of the Clermont County Office of Environmental Quality. Mayor Hart will follow up with Miss Clark.

The Safety Committee Report was presented by Susan Elliott. There was discussion about bringing the Neighborhood Watch program back to Amelia. Also, the committee has been gathering information related to disaster readiness. Pam Broughton, Director of the Clermont County Emergency Services Agency, along with Union Township Fire Chief Stan Deimling, will speak and give presentations at the next Safety Committee meeting on Wednesday November 6th at the Municipal Building. Mayor Hart added that he and Amelia Zoning Inspector Dani Spiegel will meet with Ed Dyer, Director of Operations for West Clermont School District to discuss using the elementary school for a shelter during a disaster. There was discussion about possibly doing a mock disaster with the elementary school.

Legislation: O-2013-43 Supplemental Appropriations. Motion to adopt was made by Derrick Campbell; motion seconded by Susan Elliott. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

O-2013-44 Authorizing the purchase and upgrade of two new vehicles for use by the Police Department and Safety Services. Motion to adopt was made by Derrick Campbell; motion seconded by Susan Elliott. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

O-2013-45 Amending O-2012-50 & O-2013-07 and amending Section 704, Physical/Mental Evaluations of the Personnel Policy Manual. Motion to adopt was made by Derrick Campbell; motion seconded by Chris Dickerson. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

At 7:19, Mayor Hart requested that Council take a five minute break. All voted yea. Council was back in session at 7:24 with all present. Continuing with legislation;

O-2013-46 Authorizing an agreement with Simpson Construction for the construction of sidewalks along Amelia Olive Branch Road. After some discussion, a motion to adopt was made by Derrick Campbell; motion seconded by Katie Krafka. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor Hart invited anyone interested to provide public input. There was no public input.

At 7:30 Derrick Campbell presented a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 121.22 G1 to consider the discipline of a public employee; motion was seconded by Chris Dickerson. All voted yea. Councilwoman Susan Elliott was not admitted into the Executive Session.

Council was back in session at 7:38 with all present.

Mayor Hart reported that last week he was approached by Precision Concrete Cutting who came to the Municipal Building and demonstrated a method of sidewalk repair that is less costly. A raised sidewalk is cut and feathered out to the level of the existing sidewalk, making it unnecessary to remove and replace the section in need of repair. This is a patented process. In Amelia Village, sidewalk repair is the responsibility of the property owner.


Mayor Hart invited Council to provide input. Councilwoman Gerber reminded everyone that the Vietnam Traveling Wall Memorial will be at the Veterans' Memorial Park in Union Township from Wednesday October 9th through Sunday October 13th. Boy Scout Troop 443 will be the designated guardians of the event.

Councilman Dickerson reminded all about the Halloween Festival on October 19th at Spencer Shank Park from 12-4 pm. The judges will be viewing Halloween yard decorations on the 19th & 20th. Winners will be announced at the October 22nd Council meeting.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm was made by Councilwoman Gerber. The motion was seconded by Councilman Campbell. All present voted in favor. Motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of Amelia Village Council will be Tuesday October 22nd at 7 pm.


Julie Wartman/Clerk Pro-Tempore


Todd Hart/Mayor