

**VILLAGE OF SEVILLE**

**March 09, 2015**

**Council Minutes**

Mayor Sulzener called the meeting to order at 7:18 PM.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Larry Landis (President), Kathy Rhoads, Leslie Miller, Carol Carter, Brad Demiter, Rick Stallard

Mr. Stallard moved to approve the bills from 02-09, 02-16, 02-23, and 03-02. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved to approve the minutes from 02-09. The motion was seconded by Mr. Demiter. The motion passed unanimously.

**Privilege of the floor:**

Curtis Perkins from C. Martin Trucking, the village trash hauler asked Council if there were any concerns or questions pertaining to the service being provided to the Village residents. Council was satisfied with the service being provided. Mr. Perkins also noted that C. Martin was upgrading their web-site to be more user friendly and allow people to pay their bills on-line.

Village resident Mel Battig asked about the Council's plans for the building located at 26 Warner Street. He had a potential buyer for the property, but the buyer backed out of the deal upon hearing that there were potential drug problems on Warner Street. Mr. Stallard said that the Seville Police Department was working with the Medina County Drug Task Force to solve the issues. The Mayor has been working with the bank/owner to fix the problems with the building to make the property more saleable. The realtor listing the property has been contacted on several occasions but there has been no response.

Mayor Sulzener presented his State of the Village address. A copy is attached.

Solicitor's Report-Ted Lesiak had nothing to report to Council.

**Summary of committee activity:**

Finance-Larry Landis gave the report.	Safety- Larry Landis gave the report
Cemetery-Carol Carter gave the report	Government-Rick Stallard gave the report
Parks/Streets-Larry Landis gave the report	Zoning-Rick Stallard gave the report
Utilities-Carol Carter gave the report	

**Ordinances under consideration:**

Ordinance 2013-47 is currently tabled.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-47**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH \_\_\_\_\_ FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES FOR THE VILLAGE.**

The ordinance was tabled on November 12, 2013. The second reading is complete.

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Council took no action on the ordinance.

Ordinance 2014-08 is currently tabled.

**ORDINANCE 2014-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING THE STRUCTURE UPON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26 WARNER STREET TO BE UNSAFE AND A PUBLIC NUISANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 409 OF THE SEVILLE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE AND OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 715.26, ORDERING ITS DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL.**

The ordinance was tabled on 04-14-2014 pending funding. The second reading is complete. Council took no action on the ordinance.

Ordinance 2014-09 is currently tabled.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to remove ordinance 2014-09 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stallard. Voting for the motion was Mr. Demiter. Everyone else voted against the motion. The ordinance remained tabled.

**ORDINANCE 2014-09**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING THE STRUCTURE UPON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 25 CENTER STREET TO BE UNSAFE AND A PUBLIC NUISANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 409 OF THE SEVILLE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE AND OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 715.26, ORDERING ITS DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL.**

Ordinance 2014-09 was tabled on 04-14-2014 pending funding. The second reading is complete.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to suspend the rules of Council to amend the agenda to allow Council to revisit ordinance 2014-08. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to remove ordinance 2014-08 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stallard. The motion passed unanimously with the exception of Mrs. Miller who voted against the motion.

**ORDINANCE 2014-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING THE STRUCTURE UPON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26 WARNER STREET TO BE UNSAFE AND A PUBLIC NUISANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 409 OF THE SEVILLE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE AND OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 715.26, ORDERING ITS DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL.**

The third reading was completed.

Mr. Landis moved to adopt ordinance 2014-08. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rhoads. The motion passed unanimously.

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Ordinance 2014-69 was tabled on 02-09-2015.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to remove ordinance 2014-69 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Miller. The motion passed unanimously.

2014-69

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, ADOPTING MAILBOX WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY POLICY.**

The third reading was completed.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to adopt ordinance 2014-69. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stallard. The motion passed unanimously.

2015-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, ESTABLISHING A POLICY TO REMIBURSE EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE FOR FEES AND COSTS EXPENDED IN ATTENDING LEADERSHIP MEDINA COUNTY.**

The third reading was completed.

Mrs. Miller moved to adopt ordinance 2015-01. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Landis. Voting for the motion were Mrs. Rhoads, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Landis, and Mr. Demiter. Voting against the motion were Mrs. Carter and Mr. Stallard. The ordinance was adopted.

Ordinance 2015-02 will need to be tabled pending the receipt of the new contract.

Mrs. Miller moved to table ordinance 2015-02. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rhoads. The motion passed unanimously.

2015-02

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.**

The second reading is complete.

2015-03

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE MODEL OHIO MUNICIPAL CODE, PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING CORPORATION, FOR THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE OHIO; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PUBLISHING THE ENACTMENT OF NEW MATTER.**

The third reading was completed.

Mrs. Miller moved to adopt ordinance 2015-03. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2015-06 will need to be tabled pending the receipt of the new contract. Mrs. Miller moved to table ordinance 2015-06. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

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2015-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH \_\_\_\_\_ FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES.

The second reading is complete.

2015-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR DISPATCH SERVICES.

The second reading was completed.

2015-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2010-31 AND 2012-14 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HOME SECURITY OF OHIO, LLC TO LEASE REAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE VILLAGE.

The second reading was completed.

Home Security has submitted their letter of intent to renew the lease.

2015-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL WITH A MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES PROVIDER.

The first reading was completed.

2015-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP RATING PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2016.

The first reading was completed.

2015-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, REGULATING THE MAXIMUM LOADS OF VEHICLES ON THE STREETS AND ALLEYS OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
The first reading was completed.

Mr. Landis moved to suspend the three reading rule for ordinance 2015-13. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved to add emergency language to ordinance 2015-13. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved to adopt ordinance 2015-13. The motion was seconded by Mr. Demiter. The motion passed unanimously.

2015-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ALTEC FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 50 FOOT DIGGER DERRICK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The first reading was completed.

Mr. Stallard moved to suspend the three reading rule for ordinance 2015-14. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rhoads. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved to add emergency language to ordinance 2015-14. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rhoads. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Carter moved to adopt ordinance 2015-14. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution 2014-16 is currently tabled.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to remove resolution 2014-16 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously.

2014-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF 26 WARNER STREET AND 51 WEST MAIN STREET.

The third reading was completed.

Mrs. Rhoads moved to adopt resolution 2014-16. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stallard. The motion passed unanimously.

Because of the inclement weather, the final list of sidewalks for resolution 2015-01 has not been completed.

Mrs. Miller moved to table resolution 2015-01. The motion was seconded by Mr. Demiter. The motion passed unanimously.

2015-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, DECARING IT NECESSARY TO CONSTRUCT AND/OR REPAIR CERTAIN SIDEWALKS.

2015-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SEVILLE, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FROM MEDINA COUNTY.

The third reading was completed.

Mrs. Miller moved to adopt resolution 2015-03. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously.

**Old business:**

Mrs. Miller said that the Bicentennial Committee is continuing to work on fund raising and planning for the celebration next year. The committee meets the first Wednesday of the month at the Methodist Church. The committee is planning their own logo and does not want to combine with the Village efforts for a new Village logo.

The CRA meeting for 2015 will be on 03-12 at 4:30 at the administration building.

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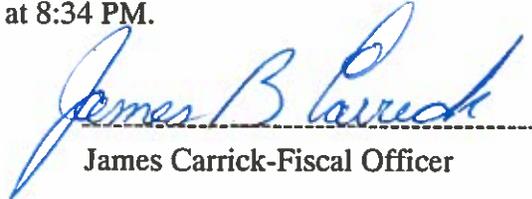
CCA will be at the administration building on Saturday, 03-14 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM to assist residence in preparing their Village income tax.

**New Business:**

Mrs. Rhoads asked that a discussion of technology issues and a decision on the policy and procedure review be added to the next Council agenda.

Mrs. Miller moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Landis. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

  
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Gene Sulzener-Mayor

  
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James Carrick-Fiscal Officer



**State of The Village Address  
March 9, 2015  
Mayor, Gene Sulzener**

The Village of Seville continues to grow with new business and development. In return, local government is able to provide improved services and to maintain quality staffing.

Multiple well-planned projects will be completed this year. These projects will improve road conditions, the safety of properties and residents, and provide additional attractive and useful park services to our residents.

**2014 Village Finance Summary**

The end of year finance report shows a significant increase over the budget-planned revenue. However the total revenue is less than what was received in 2013.

In 2015 Seville will have significant loss of revenue involving 2 revenue resources. The loss of Panther Trucking will reduce income tax revenue in excess of \$150,000. An additional loss of approximately \$130,000 will come from the decision to return all Kilowatt-hour tax in 2015 and beyond. With this loss of tax revenue the village has made budget adjustments and taken advantage of prior year carryover. This loss of revenue will have significant effect in the next 2 years.

It is my strong recommendation to Council to remember the significant loss of revenue that will take place this year and beyond.

The Central Collection Agency report for the 2014 end of year shows a 2% increase of income tax revenue compared to the 2013 CCA end of year report. This increase is not expected for 2015 due to the loss of two sources of revenue.

**Village Growth**

In 2014 the village has continued to have new development involving residential, commercial, and industrial expansion. With this growth, Seville will see some return in lost revenue. The downtown businesses continue to grow and new businesses are expected to fill any vacant properties in the downtown area this year. As new business is established in our historic downtown area we see more structural renovation that improves appearance and attraction to our historic district and the Village as a whole.

Again, credit goes to the downtown business association for their major role in creating community events that help promote these businesses, and draws attention and interest to Seville.

## **Streets Department**

The Streets Department and Streets Committee has accomplished major planning projects that will begin this year. In addition, attention has been placed on budgeting that involves five year planning and beyond. With this effort the Village will have major street repair that will enhance the quality and atmosphere.

The Streets Department staff has earned great appreciation for their productive and detailed effort that has provided not only quality but also safety to our residents and visitors.

## **Parks**

The Parks Committee finalized planning in 2014 for several projects that will be completed this year. With the approval of the 2014 Block Grant application a new toddler designed playground will begin construction in Cy Hewitt Park in May of this year. The plan to build new restroom facilities has been budgeted. It is now awaiting final approval.

Parking improvements are also planned for some parks.

The Streets and Parks Department, with minimal staffing, have continued to maintain and upgrade all of the parks. Tree removal and replacement, lawn care, and structural management, and provides a safe and wonderful location for residents to enjoy and relax.

## **Police and Public Safety**

The Police Department continues to utilize each officer's focused talent and interest to educate and train each other.

The police levy passed in November 2014. While this is only a portion of the total department budget, this levy will provide a more stable operating budget for police operations now and into the future.

The Police Department, with the use of donations from Friends of Seville Police, has purchased a 4x4 ATV. Intended uses are to assist with the access to the parks and trails, areas that cannot be accessed with cruisers for rapid response emergencies, large event patrol, and for locating missing persons.

Our Safety Committee continues to apply public safety and handicap access projects to all Community Development Block Grant applications. This helps to make improvement to public property that serves our residents and visitors.

## **Zoning and Planning**

In 2014 residential development has increased and several industrial expansions have been completed or are in progress. Additional growth is expected in 2015. It is anticipated that the majority of new development will involve residential construction.

The hiring of Tom Clarkson as the new Zoning Inspector has placed more focus on the enforcement of zoning codes. Detailed inspection and direct communication assists in avoiding code violations or acquires corrective actions prior to having to issue violation notice.

Village Council continues to move forward with the renovation or demolition procedures involving three properties. Progress is slow but will be completed.

## **Board of Public Affairs**

The Board of Public Affairs has recognized the need of improvement involving water services. This board and the BOPA Superintendent are in process of acquiring engineering assessment and water tower replacement estimates. The goal is to improve water pressure in several areas that have low pressure. This may also assist new developments that will take place in the future.

## **The Village of Seville Bicentennial**

In 2016, the Village of Seville will celebrate the Village Bicentennial. Established in 1816 this Village has grown moderately while maintaining a rural residential atmosphere that residents desire and appreciate.

A Bicentennial Committee has been formed involving, volunteer residents, the Seville Historical Society, local businesses, and Village government. The planning of celebration and remembrance is well underway. The celebration and events will occur in the summer of 2016.

## **Conclusion**

I ask this council to proceed and finalize several of the projects that have been discussed and have been built into our 2015 budget.

Demolition or revitalization of several private properties and one Village property has been discussed and varying actions taken. Council targeting these projects has approved the proposed budget that will pay for demolition. It is important to proceed with remaining actions to finalize each of the projects. One major decision involves passing Resolution 2014-16 to obtain bids for demolition. I suggest this Resolution be amended to include the old Village Hall as this may reduce some of the cost involving all three or four properties. The bids will provide the actual cost involved. It then will inform us where we stand with the approved budget for this project. More information and discussion will be provided in relation to the old Village Hall on Spring Street at the next Streets Committee meeting

In effort to assist with the promotion and recognition of the Village Bicentennial, the Streets Committee has discussed and obtained multiple design options for new Village signs. I ask this committee to complete this project, and propose to Council the purchase of defined signs that they feel will enhance the Village of Seville.

Lastly I share with Council, area developers, and future business owners, the types of new business that many residents have suggested or requested within my past 3 years of elected office.

Specialty stores, arts and crafts facilities, a midsize grocery store, a hardware store, and several country style family restaurants, seem to be the consistent requests. These types of commercial properties will serve not only Seville residents, but also thousands of residents and area employees from neighboring communities, highway travelers, and visitors that come to Seville to enjoy our atmosphere and downtown events.

The planning and efforts of this Council, the multiple committees, the Board of Public Affairs, and our Village staff, has created a productive and safe atmosphere that continues to serve our residents and businesses. I thank you all.

Mayor Gene Sulzener  
Village of Seville