

The Village of Weston
Council Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2018

Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeremy Schroeder at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call of the council members was then taken: Mr. Greg Stevens, Mr. Bill Barnhart, Mrs. Sarah Easterwood, Mr. Shad Kendall, Ms. Diane Hillier and Mr. Rob Myerholtz.

Minutes from the previous meeting on June 4, 2018 were reviewed and a motion to approve as written was made by Ms. Hillier and seconded by Mrs. Easterwood.
Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

Citizens and Visitors

Visitors present were: Steve Miller, Ron Tolles, Rick Easterwood, Mark Sheffer, and Roger LaPointe (Sentinel-Tribune).

Rick Easterwood, Ron Tolles and Steve Miller were in attendance on behalf of the Fireman's Fest requesting closure of Main Street from Taylor Street to Mill Street from 5PM - midnight on Friday and starting at 11am on Saturday. Mr. Easterwood shared that they are having more activities at the fest this year and thanks to donations from businesses they are able to provide two bounce houses. Other activities include kids cornhole, kiddie tractor pull, facepainting and tattoos by Lucky 76, food vendors, and water games by Redneck Willy's.

Mark Sheffer, a Weston resident and Board of Trustee for Northwestern Water & Sewer District was in attendance seeking reappointment for a position as Board of Trustee. Mr. Sheffer shared his involvement and feels he has been very reactive for Weston. Council had a few questions such as any big projects coming up, how costs/rates are calculated, and the possibility of getting a WaterShed within the Village. Mr. Bill Barnhart made a motion to nominate Mr. Mark Sheffer for a NWWSO board seat, seconded by Mr. Greg Stevens. Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

Village Business

The Fireman's Fest was requesting approval for street closure. Mr. Shad Kendall made a motion to close Main Street from Taylor Street to Mill Street on Friday and Saturday for the fireman's fest, seconded by Mr. Bill Barnhart. Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

Committee Business

Mrs. Sarah Easterwood reported for the May 22nd Parks & Rec meeting. Meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present include Stephanie Monts, Michael & Michelle McClure, Angella Coleman, Dean Babcock and councilmembers Sarah Easterwood and Diane Hillier. Ball program report: Rudolph wants to use Weston's ball fields for the 16U tournaments. This is an evening event and so they need lights to play. Some discussion was had that not all the lights at the field are working properly. They did discuss charging \$250 for the use of the field but Weston/Rec Board would run the concession stand. They tabled the decision until more investigation for the lighting situation was resolved as well as Rudolph has not responded with an official update if they for sure need the fields. Joe is working on the schedule for the 8U tournaments, there are 9 teams. Discussion for tournament dates was June 28th-July 1st, with the championship game on July 2nd. Modern Woodmen would like to host an event to help with fundraising for the program. They had talked about a few ideas to match money made during that time which included Oldtimer ball game with Fire/ Sheriff or Fire/ Church, Match sales at concession for 3 days, or Touch a truck with Fire/ Sheriff. They feel this will be helpful for program but going back to Modern Woodmen for more discussion. The Great American Opportunities fundraiser brought in \$2,228.50, 60% went to GAO and 40% is profit. Fundraising prizes for the tier rewards are 16 \$5 gift cards for the 6 or more sales, \$50 gift card to Dunhams for the top seller, and GAO provided popcorn for the ones who sold 3 or more. There was an opt-out of fundraiser who donated \$100.50 to the program. The spirit wear sales has brought in \$185 in profit. So far \$4,284.60 has been brought in and \$3,857.89 spent. Parks report: Dean has planted about 30 trees which include

Redbud, Crabapple, Oak, and Pine. He tried to plant them in groups but not to make it to difficult for Village workers to maintain the area. The old school track at Alumni Park was talked about to put stone down and bring it back to life for a nice place to walk within the Park. The board talked about adopting an ordinance for council to review about putting signs up at the parks and ball fields that says " No Smoking on Public Parks/Recreation Areas" . Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.

Mr. Bill Barnhart reported for the June 5th Zoning Variance hearing. Justin Henck attended the zoning meeting to request a variance for his proposed addition at 20540 Evon Lane. The proposed addition is 19' by 14' and is within 7' of the existing property line. The existing zoning ordinance requires a 10' setback. The existing structure is within 7' of the existing property line and the proposed addition maintains the same setback. The zoning board voted to approve the variance.

Mrs. Sarah Easterwood reported for the June 7th Cemetery meeting. Members Present: Shelen Stevens, Cindy Sheffer, Jodi Domer, Dawn Blandy, Tom Patton, and Council Members Sarah Easterwood and Rob Myerholtz. Maintenance report: Tom is still working on the landscaping around the drainage tile. Due to all the rain the last few weeks it has made completion of the job challenging. The electric line out to memorial hill was completed on time and ready for the Memorial Day ceremony. The brakes went out on the S10 and will need all new brake lines. They made a motion to have the repairs done up to \$1,000 was approved. The weeder needs a new head and an estimated cost of the repair \$30, this repair was approved. Cemetery Board: Had a brief discussion about next year's tax levy. They are still trying to figure out if they want to do a renewal or permanent. Still want to hear back from Village solicitor about these questions. Board asked council members of any more information that can be provided about the employee raises. Rob and Sarah explained to board that it was their choice to give a wage increase to the cemetery employees. It does not effect the village employees if they so chose not to. They feel that at this time they need to see the financial report and revenue status of the cemetery before proceeding with a decision. They would like monthly financial report and revenue before the meeting so members can review. They said when Sarah was fiscal officer they would receive them monthly but since she left office they have not received any of those reports. Members made a motion to move July 5, 2018, meeting to July 12, 2018, due to a few members will be on vacation. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Next meeting will be July 12,2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

Parks & Rec 6/25 at 6PM

Finance 6/27 at 5:30PM

Safety 7/2 at 6PM

Maintenance Report

Mr. Eric Taylor reported that the sign is still on target to be finished the end of month. Main Street parking has been finished. The John Deere bearing on the deck failed, which was covered under warranty.

Financial/Administrative

Council and Mayor did not feel it was necessary to have an Audit Exit.

Ordinance 2018-13 to move \$4500 for unemployment compensation received an emergency reading. Mrs. Sarah Easterwood made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Bill Barnhart. Roll Call Vote Yes: Mr. Greg Stevens, Mr. Bill Barnhart, Mrs. Sarah Easterwood, Mr. Shad Kendall, Ms. Diane Hillier, Mr. Rob Myerholtz. A motion to move \$4500 from the Reservoir Fund for unemployment compensation was made by Mrs. Sarah Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Bill Barnhart. Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

Ordinance 2018-14 amending Ordinance 2010-09, establishing compensation for Weston Fire Department personnel, by including a new section when payments are issued received its first reading.

Mr. Rob Myerholtz wanted to know if any more chicken permits came in since the June 15th deadline has passed. Mrs. Stephanie Monts said quite a few have come in. Mr. Myerholtz also wants to know the total cost of the sign. Mr. Myerholtz also gave an update on the MARCS system after speaking with Sheriff Wasylshyn. The MARCS system will go live on September 1st and all fire departments are on board. Once the system goes live the dispatchers will not be maintaining the fire band. The Sheriff's deputies will not be on the MARCS. Lastly, Mr. Myerholtz had asked what times Mr. Eric Taylor has been spraying for mosquitos. Mr. Taylor shared he has been spraying at night after 10PM.

Ms. Diane Hillier asked why it was necessary to send certified letters for trash. Mrs. Stephanie Monts shared that all the notices except mowing are sent certified. Mayor Jeremy Schroeder shared that this is how it is laid out in the Ohio Code/Ordinance. Ms. Hillier shared concern about the cost of certified mail and that when items are assessed we should make sure people are also billed for postage. Ms. Hillier also wanted some confirmation on Heavy Trash day. It was confirmed that is is one day only on July 14th. Some concern was brought up if Eric able to do this on his own. Council had some discussion on bringing in extra help for Eric on heavy trash day.

Mr. Greg Stevens made a motion to approve hours needed for Gary Betz to help Eric during Heavy Trash Day on July 14th from 10am-5pm (or once dumpsters are full), seconded by Ms. Diane Hillier. Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

Mr. Shad Kendall also wanted some discussion on Fire Department employees. There was some heated discussion about hiring policy. Council is requesting approval of new members of the Fire Department, which then an employment packet can be picked up from Cheryl in order to be added to payroll. Mr. Rob Myerholtz wanted to remind Fire that each of these members they want to add will need turnout equipment which costs between \$2,250 and \$3000/piece, which is not budgeted.

Upcoming dates to remember include Permanent 24/7 Recycling begins June 25th, but the recycling trailer will still be available on June 23rd from 10am-12pm. Weston is hosting 8U tournaments June 28th - July 2nd and will need volunteers, see Stephanie for sign-up form.

Council reviewed bills to be paid, and warrants to be issued. A motion to approve Fire payroll was made by Mr. Greg Stevens, seconded by Mr. Rob Myerholtz. Approved - 5, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mrs. Sarah Easterwood. A motion to approve EMS payroll was made by Mr. Greg Stevens, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Easterwood. Approved - 5, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mr. Shad Kendall. A motion to approve Cemetery Payroll was made by Mrs. Sarah Easterwood, seconded by Ms. Diane Hillier. Approved - 5, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mr. Greg Stevens. A motion to approve all other bills to be paid and warrants to be issued was made by Mr. Greg Stevens, seconded by Mrs. Sarah Easterwood. Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor

Stephanie Monts, Clerk