

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Lithopolis Village Council Meeting Minutes
November 25, 2014 @ 7:30pm

Council Members Present: Austin, Brown, Simon, Taylor

Council Members Absent: Daily, Long,

Present: Eric Sandine – Mayor, Jon Browning- Solicitor, Jacinta Flowers- Fiscal Officer Ed VanVickle - Village Administrator.

Mayor Sandine called the meeting to order; led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and asked for a moment of silence for the US Armed Forces.

Public Comments

No Public Comments

Reports from officers

Mayor

Mayor Sandine shares with council the passing of Dennis Cron. Dennis was Mayor of the village for 16 years immediately preceding Mayor Sandine. Services will be held at St. John Catholic Church and the burial will take place at the Lithopolis Cemetery.

The village has not received any official response from the Lithopolis Cemetery Board regarding the standpipe issues.

A 2nd Reading of the Extraterritorial Utility Ordinance takes place.

The Mayor shares a letter from resident Jackie Racicot rebuking the WAC and asking that she not have to pay it because her current property does not have a water connection. Mayor Sandine points out that Ms. Racicot was a member of council that sought out the new subdivisions and it's the new subdivisions that necessitated the construction of a new water plant and tower. Council takes no action on Ms. Racicot's request not to pay the WAC charge.

Village Administrator

Ed Van Vickle shares the Administrator Report with council

Police Chief

Chief Barton was not able to be at meeting due to an incident that occurred earlier in the day.

Fiscal Officer

A 1st Reading of Elected Officials Compensation Ordinance and repealing Ordinance 16-07. Mayor Sandine states that modification to the old ordinance is necessary because of changes in the OPERS minimum pay that was used to set Council's pay. The Mayor states that the changes do no effect his pay at all.

Mr. Simon states that he would like to see Council pay increased to \$900 per year instead of \$600 per year as is set in the Ordinance. Mr. Taylor states that the amount of pay does not matter to him. Ms. Austin asks where the amount listed in the ordinance rate in comparison to other similar municipalities. The Mayor states it is below average however, not the lowest.

A 2nd Reading of Standard Benefits and Pay Grades Ordinance takes place. Mr. Simon states that he does not think the Chief is paid enough, the Mayor says he doesn't believe that any of our employees are paid what they are worth, but we pay them what we can. The Finance committee reviewed similarly sized municipalities and municipalities close by and our employees are compensated at or a little below the average rate for their classification.

Mayor Sandine presents an Ordinance amending the 2015 Appropriation Budget and Increasing the 2015 Revenue to reflect the .50% Income Tax Increase effective January 1, 2015. The 1st Reading will take place on December 09, 2014 at the Regular Council Meeting.

A 3rd Reading of Resolution 08-14 Posting No Parking Signs on Market St. in Stoney Bluff takes place.

A Motion to approve Resolution 08-14 by Taylor

Seconded by Brown

Ayes: Austin, Simon, Taylor, Brown

Nays: none

Council Round Robin

Austin – There was a Mom and a little girl going door to door in Stoney Bluff asking for money.

Brown - nothing

Daily - nothing

Long - nothing

Simon – What is the sensor on the tree along Lithopolis Rd. in front of his house? The Mayor explains it is an Internet Box.

Taylor – Would like to see Recycling more publicized in 2015. The Mayor offers to get the amount of tonnage collected in 2014. Ms. Austin suggests recommending use of the large recycle tote to residents.

There being no further public business a motion to adjourn by Brown

Seconded by Austin

Ayes: All

No Nays Record.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:13pm