

Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2019

Mayor Monahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Monahan asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Robert Nothstine and Delaware County Treasurer Jon Peterson

Council in Attendance: Mary Gates, Geoff Hanna, Dan Mathews, Renee Matney, and Jeff Stacy

Absent: Robert Thatcher

Also Present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski and Administrator Craig Thompson

Minutes

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Hanna to approve the minutes of September 23, 2019. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Agenda

It was moved by Hanna, seconded by Gates to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Village Administrator

Craig Thompson gave the following report:

- Sanitary Sewer Line Inspection: The bid documents for the CCTV inspection went out to bid on September 19th and the bid opening is scheduled for October 16.
- EPA Findings, MS4 Inspection. Chris Tebbe has prepared the Village response letter to the findings from the recent Ohio EPA inspection of the Village storm water system. I subsequently forwarded the letter to the Ohio EPA. In response, the Ohio EPA found our response letter to be acceptable.
- Repaving Program: Work has been completed.
- Speed Limit Sign Replacement. All three phases have been completed.
- Russ, Shirley and I met to discuss the 2020 budget.

Communications

Mayor Monahan gave the following report:

Letter sent to all Shawnee Hills businesses

TO: Shawnee Hills Businesses
FROM: Pat Monahan, Mayor, Village of Shawnee Hills
DATE: September 26, 2019
SUBJECT: Village Income Tax

As a reminder, the Village of Shawnee Hills levies an income tax of 2% on gross wages for all employees working within the Village of Shawnee Hills. To ensure the Village receives the correct amount of income tax revenue, please review your Village income tax withholding for your business and employees to ensure that the income tax withheld is properly allocated to the Village of Shawnee Hills. It is understandable where a business has multiple locations, it is possible that an employee changes location and the income taxes are not redirected. Income taxes allows us to provide services throughout the Village, such as Police, snow removal, etc. We appreciate your cooperation and should you have any questions, please contact the Village Administrator or Village Fiscal Officer at 614-889-2824.

Thank for your help!

Pat Monahan
Mayor

A big concern is the Dublin Schools K – 8 redistricting

The majority of Shawnee Hills was not affected at all. We remain Eli Pinney and Grizzell Middle. However, Buckeye Dr., Mohican (Concord) and Logan (Concord) will go to the new Abraham Depp Elementary and the unnamed Middle school # 5. The current plan is that the future impacted students will remain in Eli Pinney through the 5th grade. I attended the Dublin K-8 RE-Districting meeting held at Jerome HS on Tuesday Nov 8.

FOLLOW UP:

The other evening, I believe the only attendees from Shawnee Hills at The Dublin Schools Redistricting meeting Oct 8 Jerome HS, were Katie Mathews and I.

I recommend you access the Redistricting website to get the most current information.

I submitted the below issue / question, spoke with one of the committee members after the mtg. I left voice mails with Doug Baker on Wed Oct 9 and Thursday Oct 10.

I think it is great that the new Elementary School is being named honoring Abraham Depp. I also fully understand that the kids from Lucy Depp attend Abraham Depp elementary school.

The issue that I raised is: the concern of separating the Shawnee Hills kids plus kids on Mohican and Logan. This includes the ten current elementary and five middle school students plus one student on Mohican and one elementary student on Logan. Besides the obvious school separation, it creates an irregular school bus pattern. It would require the west side of the Village to have a bus servicing the kids on Buckeye, Mohican and Logan and then turning around. It

then requires a second west side of the Village, school bus to service the remainder of the Village.

29 % of the students in the K through 8 will be impacted.

Eli Pinney has the highest percent capacity in the Dublin school system at 130 % and would be lowered to 89 %.

Abraham Depp elementary will start at 75 % (539 students), allowing for the inevitable growth as Jerome Village builds out.

Sixty new teachers will be hired and the new schools will be staffed with a mix of experienced transfers and new teachers.

With all the concerns voiced on Facebook, I had hoped for more Village representation at the Jerome HS meeting. I may have missed some concerned residents.

On another note, Doug Baker, of the Dublin School system, stated to me the “Middle School # 5 has not been named yet”!

Doug asked me what I would suggest on the two voice mails I left for Doug I suggested, Jack Frambes name.

- Our late resident, friend and former 15 year Village Council member,
- Jack graduated from Dublin High School in 1951.
- Jack served in the US ARMY in the Korean War.
- He was the Marshall in Dublin and was on the Dublin Volunteer Fire Department.
- Jack served as Mayor of Dublin from 1966 through 1972. During his tenure, when Dublin only had 673 people.

I don't know if they will honor Jack, but it would be great to honor one of Dublin's founders! If possible, please consider supporting that position with input to the Dublin Redistricting website. Thanks!

Mayor's Report

Mayor Monahan gave the following report:

SEPTEMBER 2019 MAYOR'S COURT REPORT

RECEIPTS

\$675.00 Total receipts

Disbursements

\$187.50 Treasurer, State of Ohio

\$7.50 HB 562 IDAT Fund

\$430.00 General Fund

\$50.00 Computer Fund

Erik Spaulding
Mayor's Court Clerk

Sunday Sept 29th was a great Village picnic in our Memorial Park. The Music Royale performed a very neat concert starting at 3:30.

It was a wonderful time to see old friends and meet new, celebrating our Village.

Very big thanks to Richard Ey, Chief Barron, and Mary Gates, the kids and their great performance and our friends and neighbors who shared the day!

Currently there is an ABR meeting scheduled Thursday Oct 17 for the Ninja gym. I have asked that ABR also examine the Commercial building materials and "The Country Look" to further define what is required for building in the Village. 1121.07 d. This has been struggled with for at last 10 years and leaves us exposed legally! This is important for future Growth.

There will be a Planning and Zoning hearing on Tuesday Oct 22. I have asked Kathy Isern, P&Z chair, to add to the agenda. Asking Planning and Zoning to review our Application for Certification of Appropriateness, to see if P&Z can examine and recommend to Council, should have a time limit and Screening requirement timeframe and reapplication process (not necessarily a charge). From a Business Problem Resolution, we need to establish a finish line on construction.

My response to Mike Schadock, of Mayor Ginther's office in conjunction with the Watershed project:

Hi, as I have said many times, my primary concern is the safety of all of our residents! We share common interests and the quality of our water will always be part of our Win-Win goal. This is evidenced by our sewer system and many other community cooperative efforts.

Shawnee Hills is unique geographically. Our lots are consistently shallow. The Columbus buffer is mainly deep with very few exceptions, exceeds 200 ft. This is far different than the residential properties abutting Griggs and Hoover. The end result is the evident encroachment, within 20 feet of the back of our residents' homes, resulting in a health risk and in violation of both the Columbus (12 in) and Shawnee Hills (8 in) codes.

We believe an equitable and health conscious consistent answer is the maintenance of a 35 foot buffer and 10 foot wide path to the river. This can be applied consistently to all 3 reservoir abutting properties.

I believe we have had the best conversations and cooperation we have had throughout the years. My position as Mayor of Shawnee Hills is that we must protect the health of our Village, along the O'Shaughnessy reservoir and for the entire Village. We have done our part in the protection all of our water supply, with our sanitary sewer system. We now need your help driving this effort to a Win - Win.

Thanks all for your help and our Community relationship dealing with this health issue!

Pat
Pat Monahan Mayor

Shawnee Hills, OH

We have so much going on with the Wine Bistro opening up. We have the Third Base Pint Room opening up in the former Jimmy V's. The new cabinet shop, JAE Company, is open. Jeff has gotten his loan and council approved the annexation of his property into the village so he will be proceeding with his development of the O'Shaughnessy Crossing.

I ran into the owners of Ohio Groundskeeping last Monday night and they said they will be getting their inspection from Delaware County so they should be moving pretty soon too.

Council member Gates said she would like to note that Renee also was part of the volunteering for the picnic.

Pro Tem Report

Pro Tem Mathews said I am just looking forward to this open hearing on the JEDD. To hear if there are any other ideas or feelings about it and see if there is support.

Committee Reports

Council member Stacy said that UST met tonight and Craig covered everything that they talked about in their meeting.

Legislative Actions

Mayor Monahan declared that the Public Hearing on Evans Farm Joint Economic Development District is open at this time if anyone has any comments.

Carol Kender said when I first looked at this, and I have had conversations with other people, they said that the approximate tax collected would be about \$45,000.00. Now the last I heard out of Finance it was going to be \$30,000.00. I want to say that I am not opposed to it. I think it is good but I was just trying to get some figures in my head. What I was told was as soon as the JEDD passes and as soon as construction starts, taxes of the workers who are working on the construction will be part of the RITA tax. Does anybody have an answer to that? Shirley said that is true. Council member Mathews said this is just for the commercial area. Carol said that I understand. She asked what happened between the \$45,000.00 estimate and now the \$30,000.00 estimate.

Mayor Monahan said we do not know how much money it will bring in. We know it's a new source of income. What we want to do is make sure we are the good partner on this because Dan and I will probably go in November to a little bit of a meeting they are having up in Delaware County on economic development. I think if our village ends up being a good member anything that is around that we can get in on a JEDD with them will be a good move.

Carol said I am totally in favor of that. The next questions I have is – we have spent a lot of money on our solicitor on this thing. How much are we spending for our solicitor to draw up all these papers?

Mayor Monahan said Delaware County is paying for those costs.

Judy Stephenson said RITA charges a fee to do the tax collection for the village. Will we get reimbursed for that portion. Shirley said yes.

Carol asked what is the down side. Has anyone done a cost projection on this thing? Let's say this thing gets started and then in the next three years we get thirty thousand a year.

Council member Stacy said it will grow exponentially as the commercial grows.

Carol said so that is taken into consideration and we are not going to get capped at thirty thousand.

Mayor Monahan said no, it will grow with the businesses.

It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Matney to recess the public hearing. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Matney, Mathews and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Hanna to retable Ordinance 28-2019 until December 9. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

First Reading- Ordinance 37-2019 – An Ordinance confirming the Mayor's appointment of John Gough as a part-time Police Officer for the Village of Shawnee Hills and declaring an emergency. It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Matney to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 37-2019 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Hanna to adopt Ordinance 37-2019 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

First Reading- Ordinance 38-2019- An Ordinance to reappropriate funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Shawnee Hills, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019 and declaring an emergency. It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Matney to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 38-2019 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

It was moved by Mathews, seconded by Hanna to adopt Ordinance 38-2019 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

First Reading- Ordinance 39-2019- An Ordinance to appropriate funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Shawnee Hills, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

First Reading- Resolution 23-2019- A Resolution that the Village of Shawnee Hills host an employee appreciation dinner.

Bills

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Hanna to pay the bills in the amount of \$67,441.29

Treasurer’s Report

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Hanna to approve the following treasurer’s report:

General	197,876.87	Computer	2,430.14
Street	142,176.46	Fire	33,388.87
State Highway	18,981.08	Weed	4,019.36
Parks and Recreation	.00	TIF	24,444.03
PD Body Armor	.00	TIF 2	53,756.05
Cont. Prof. Training	3,102.66	Veteran’s Mem.	248.97
Drug Law Enf.	534.41	Sewer Oper.	65,287.12
Indigent Drivers	385.84	Sewer Repl.	166,759.87
Law Enforcement Trust	5,261.31	Storm Sewer	9,943.27
Enfct. and Education	1,195.85	Debt Service	40,775.47

For a total of \$770,567.63.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Miscellaneous

Council member Matney said that Pat had mentioned this a few meetings back at a Finance meeting and I had a resident come to me within the last couple of weeks about the possibility on East Old Powell Road, we have an easement, making waterfront availability to the residents of the community and possibly using our street fund as part of those monies. I just wanted it on public record in case anyone was interested. I would like to bring it up in a couple of meetings and we could discuss it at Finance what the potential is of that and I am just putting it out there for the interest of any other residents.

Mayor Monahan said it has been an issue for many years and the question has always been, why are we a riverfront community without access to the riverfront other than the people that live there and obviously we don’t have the funds right now to do that. It was interesting when I went to the watershed meeting last November 8th around the three reservoirs, 88 miles; there are actually 70 access points. We looked at this many times and the answer is all you can do is a sixteen foot wide road down there.

Council member Stacy said there is access just north of the Dam. When people say there is no access, there is access.

Mayor Monahan said I don’t think many people look at it as public access going down there from the dam though.

Council member Gates said I also heard from somebody and I just encouraged them to come to the meetings and express what they were thinking.

Mayor Monahan said in the late eighties people decided that they were going to abandon all the right of ways going down to the river. The streets all ran to the river at the time and they abandoned those, I think in hindsight, I don't think that was necessarily fair, but I wasn't there. I hear that many times.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Matney, seconded by Stacy to adjourn until October 28, 2019. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Hanna, Mathews, Matney and Stacy. Nay, none. Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor