

Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
3 South Main Street
Thornville Ohio
August 25, 2014

Council Members Present:

Mary Renner
Lynne Snider
Heidi Robinson

Other Village Officials

Gavin Renner, Mayor
Beth Patrick, Village Administrator
Sharon Brussee, Clerk of Council
Melissa Tremblay, Fiscal Officer
Darrell Ball, Chief of Police

Guests Present:

Tim Cooperrider

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

The Village of Thornville Regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gavin Renner on August 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken with everyone present with the exception of Council President Brandt Hawkins and Councilman Dale Brussee whose absence were work-related..

A **motion** was made by Councilwoman Mary Renner to excuse Council President Brandt Hawkins and Councilman Dale Brussee and was seconded by Councilwoman Lynne Snider. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Approval of August 25, 2014 Agenda:

A **motion** was made by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson to approve the Agenda for August 25, 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Mary Renner. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Review/Approval of Special Council Minutes July 30, 2014:

A **motion** was made by Councilwoman Mary Renner to approve the Special Council Minutes for July 30, 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Lynne Snider. A voice vote was taken with Councilwoman Mary Renner and Councilwoman Lynne Snider voting for yea. Councilwoman Heidi Robinson abstained because she was not in attendance at the July 30 meeting. **Motion passed 2 yeas and 1 abstained.**

Tim Cooperrider – TYRA

Mr. Tim Cooperrider gave a Year-end Report to Council for the 2014 TYRA Season. Mr. Cooperrider stated that it was a successful first year for his first year as president. He began by saying that TYRA had a past due electric bill from the previous season for which he apologized. He further stated that should never have happened, and as long as he is president that it will never happen again. He felt this happened because it was because of a lack of funds.

Mr. Cooperrider started out the year raising money for TYRA. There were 16 teams this year this included 3 additional teams with about 200 kids playing for TYRA. There were 28 sponsors who paid \$225 each, and there were some who paid more. TYRA was very competitive with Somerset and Glenford. There were 3 softball teams that competed against Lakewood and some other local teams. He added there were a lot of first time coaches. There were also t-ball teams. Mr. Cooperrider stated that TYRA excelled was in baseball. Out of the 3 age groups, Thornville got first place in 2 of the age groups.

Mr. Cooperrider stated that in the past there weren't a lot of coaches, but that is not the case now. Each team has enough coaches which is great to see, and there is a lot of good ball being played in Thornville. Mr. Cooperrider stated that TYRA paid for All-Star teams' uniforms and tournaments.

Mr. Cooperrider stated the TYRA's end-of-year funds are approximately \$6,000 - \$7,000.

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Mr. Cooperrider stated that he knows that the previous TYRA president and vice president received a lot of flack last year. He hasn't talked with one of them, but the other one is now a coach and doing a great job.

Mr. Cooperrider listed them items that TYRA had purchased this season:

- 5 sets of catcher's gear @ \$150
- Anything broken/worn or older than 5 or 6 years old is being pitched
- Pitching helmets are being purchased because everyone is buying their own
- Brick dust for the field.
- Pitching machines
- Batting cage
- Equipment for the concession stand
- 2 picnic tables

Mr. Cooperrider gave his plans for next year.

- Applying for a grant from Energy Co-op.
- Will ask for donations from the Moose since he is a member
- Will be doing another fundraiser
- Working on getting Little League sanctioned

Committee Chair Lynne Snider stated that she would like to have meeting with TYRA and the Timberwolves during the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting on September 15.

Discussion was held regarding the Timberwolves playing at the Thornville next year. Mr. Cooperrider voiced his concerns about sharing the field with the Timberwolves, and how difficult it was to work around their schedule. He asked to make it easy for TYRA because it is a volunteer organization, and a lot of people have made sacrifices during the season.

Councilwoman Mary Renner stated that she would like to see as many teams as possible to play on the field.

Mr. Cooperrider commended Village Administrator Beth Patrick on working with him this season, and he considered her like family.

A question was raised by Councilwoman Lynne Snider if TYRA coaches were BCI finger printed. Mr. Cooperrider responded no. He added that none of the other villages do it, and the reason is because it is cost-prohibitive. Committee Chair Lynne Snider stated that she had a problem with that. Mr. Cooperrider also stated that everyone knows each other. Councilwoman Lynne Snider responded that you never know what goes on behind closed doors. Councilwoman Lynne Snider asked if Little League mandates coaches being finger-printed. Mr. Cooperrider responded that it is not mandatory.

Councilwoman Lynne Snider stated that it needs to be looked into. Mr. Cooperrider thanked Councilwoman Lynne Snider for bringing this to his attention, and it is a valid point.

July 2014 Police Report:

Police Chief Darrell Ball presented the July Police Report. Chief Ball stated that July was a very quiet Month.

Cases Handled:
1 Assistance Call
4 Traffic Cases

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Auxiliary Hours Worked:

Total: 66

J. T. Taylor – Administrative Leave

David White – Air Force Reserve training in Alabama

Trainings Attended:

None to report.

Items of Importance:

On July 21st, 2014 received an application from Wendy Swinehart for an Auxiliary position. Background check and information being gathered for an appointment. Chief Ball spoke with Mayor Renner and she will be sworn in on Friday.

No issues with the Juggalos concert.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Renner gave a verbal Mayor's Report.

- Received a letter inviting Mayor Renner to participate in the sweet corn eating contest. Mayor Renner stated that he will not participate in that event this year.
- Received an article from an anonymous person about the Hebron Exterior Property Maintenance Code, and it was asked if the Village had one. Mayor Renner stated the Village is looking into it in Zoning.

Monthly Water Report to Perry County Commissioners for July 2014:

With no discussion held, a **motion** was made by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson to receive July Monthly Water Report to the Perry County Commissioners for July 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Mary Renner. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Monthly Water Report to Council for July 2014:

With no discussion held, a **motion** was made by Councilwoman Mary Renner to received the Monthly Water Report to Council for July 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Lynne Snider. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Mayor's Court Report for July 2014:

With no discussion held, a **motion** was made by Councilwoman Mary Renner to accept the Mayor's Court Report for July 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Administrator's Report:

Village Administrator Beth Patrick gave the Administrator's Report to Council.

- Shelly lift station – waiting on the Ohio EPA for a permit to install. Brian Winkler took another copy to Logan to get it expedited.
- Sludge pressing was done again in July and will be done again in November.
- Fire hydrant flushing was done in July and found a couple of minor repairs that need to be done by Scott Vest and Matt Stevens.
- She was remiss back in June in thanking Councilman Dale Brussee for his assistance in power washing the pool when there was mud in the pool.
- Spoke with Commissioner Ed Keister regarding replacement of the pit meter in Thornport and 3 valves at a cost \$9,500, and that is per the agreement that it is to be checked every year.

Discussion was held. Mayor Gavin Renner stated that apparently the meter had been reading low for years. It was asked by Councilwoman Mary Renner when it was last checked, and Village Administrator Beth Patrick responded that it had last been checked 7 years ago.

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- Contacted Ty Thompson regarding the detachment of the Neil Beard property. She also stated that ODOT has removed the corporation sign on State Route 13, and the speed limit has been increased to 55 MPH. Discussion was held on what happened to the old speed limit sign. Village Administrator Beth Patrick responded that it will be reused by ODOT. It was also discussed that the speed limit is now 55 MPH.
- She is currently working on getting the Village of Thornville Corporation limit signs moved to Bruno Road/Zion, and has contacted OUPS. It should be finished in a couple of days. The corporation sign will be moved to Zion Road and the reduced speed ahead sign will be moved close to the Ron Koehler property.
- Kent Cannon, Perry County Engineer, is currently revising the map of Thornville. Discussion was held if the Zoning map is going to be done. Village Administrator Beth Patrick stated this is only for the Village. It was stated that Jim Hartzler may have that information. Mayor Renner stated that he has a copy of what Jim Hartzler did.
- She was in contact with Dave Clum about detaching about the process of detaching from the Village.
- Will be doing crack and seal in September.
- Working on ODNR Grant paperwork that needs to be turned into the State by December.
- Southwest curbing to be done within the next couple of weeks.
- Playground equipment still needs to be installed.
- Working on the 2015 Pay Ordinance.
- She and the Mayor are working on the Thornville Subdivision Regulations.

Presentation and Payment of Bills:

Village Administrator Beth Patrick presented the bills to Council.

With no discussion held, a **motion** was made by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson to pay the bills and was seconded by Councilwoman Mary Renner. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Bank Reconciliation for July 2014:

With no discussion held, a **motion** made by Councilwoman Lynne Snider to accept the Bank Reconciliation for July 2014 and was seconded by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Fiscal Officer's Report:

Fiscal Officer Melissa Tremblay stated that she and Village Administrator Beth Patrick will be working on appropriations in October. They will be taking them to Council probably the last week meeting in November or the first meeting in December.

Zoning Report:

No August meeting was held in August.

Mayor Gavin Renner stated a new Zoning Inspector was hired and she started August 1. Mayor Renner added that letters have been sent out.

Committee Reports

Parks and Recreation – Chairperson Lynne Snider

- Update on the pool.
The pool manager and assistant pool manager did a great job.
Pool memberships were down but the daily admissions were up.
Pool parties were up.
- Parks and Recreation Tax Levy.
- Will be meeting with TYRA and Timberwolves during the September 15, 2014 Parks and Recreation meeting.

Public Facilities and Safety – Chairperson Dale Brussee

- None held due to lack of a quorum.

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Personnel – Chairperson Mary Renner

- Discussed a couple of recommendations to the Employee Manual
- Discussed recommended 3% raise for employees and which positions would receive raises.

Finance – Chairperson Mary Renner

- Discussion regarding Village does not have the funds for repaving.
- Options were discussed on how to increase funding for repaving.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

None.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Lynne Snider stated she liked how the bowling alley put rocks down, and added they have been a good neighbor.

Councilwoman Heidi Robinson stated that because of a serious health issue of her family member that she may not be available to attend meetings. Mayor Renner responded that he was sorry to hear that.

Councilwoman Mary Renner **had no comment.**

Citizens Comments

None.

Meeting Announcements:

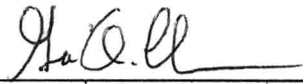
Next Zoning Meeting is Tuesday, September 2, 2014.

Regular Council meetings will resume to the normal schedule.

Adjournment:

A **motion** was made by Councilwoman Mary Renner to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilwoman Heidi Robinson. A voice vote was taken with all members voting yea. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Gavin Renner, Mayor



Sharon Brussee, Clerk of Council