

**EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL MONDAY JULY 27, 2015 7PM 85 N. MARKET ST.**

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Atty. Beagle, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Figley, Mr. Tyger and Mrs. Wisser. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the July 13 meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen seconded by Atty. Beagle.

**AGENDA: DAN SCOTT – SAFETY AND FLAGS.** Mr. Scott stated that he saw some of the city crew not wearing ear protection and he feels it is the supervisor's responsibility to make sure everyone wears safety equipment. He also said he was disappointed that it took so long to get the flags lowered to half staff recently. Mr. Elzer said there are a lot of flags in town with different people responsible for them and asked specifically where he was talking about. He said the Police and Fire Stations.

**THERE WERE NO CLERKS, MAYORS OR MANAGERS REPORT**

**LAW DIRECTOR:** Atty. Powers stated that he had a few items to discuss that will need an executive session tonight.

**STREET:** Mr. Figley had no report but Mr. Elzer asked why we are still hot patching if we are now using the Durapatcher. Monteleone said they were filling some of the utility holes and had an excess of hot patch left so he directed them to use what was left to fill holes on Market St.

**S/P/R/C:** Mr. Cohen stated there is a group willing to donate money to have the bathhouse at the park painted. Monteleone said he was approached by a group collecting money to paint the bathhouse white after the season is over and he wanted to present the plan to council for their opinion. Mr. Elzer stated that it has to be done right. Atty. Beagle asked If Monteleone would be willing to supervise the project and make sure it's done correctly and he said yes. Mrs. Wisser asked if we could work on removing the spindly trees on the hillside by the pool and Monteleone said someone suggested to him removing the trees and possibly use bushes or blocks to spell out "E P Park" on the hillside. He said is working on trying to get someone to come in and take the wood and do the work for free.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Elzer stated the Architectural Design Board of Review completed work on the proposed design guidelines for the business district and it will be presented to Council at a later date. He also said the Fire Department has been at the Main St. station constantly for the last few weeks cleaning and doing work. Manager Monteleone said they have taken the old "Social Room" and completely remodeled it and it is now where the FD billing office and Chief Browns will be located.

**UTILITY:** Mrs. Wisser asked Monteleone if anything was being done about the railroad tracks on Pleasant Dr. and Monteleone said he has made three calls in the last two weeks and is waiting for a response. Wisser also noted that the trees had been removed from West St. for the upcoming sidewalk project and asked when it would start. Monteleone said they are ahead of schedule right now and should be done within the next seventy five days. Wisser said it looks bare without the trees and Monteleone said there will be tree replacement on both sides of the road. He said the sidewalk will start on North Ave. and finish inside the park. Mr. Figley asked where things stood with the Sumner St. Bridge project and Monteleone said that is being put to bid through the county within the next month as it was done through the Critical Infrastructure Grant/CDBG.

**FINANCE: NO REPORT**

**THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION**

**VISITORS:** Mark Walker, John Martin, Dan Scott, John & Dot Herbert, Jim William, Chief Josh Brown, John Simon, Kent Chapman, Chief Kevin Dickey, John Davis, Doug Simpson, Shirley Glavan, Gary McConnell, and Katie White.

**LEGISLATION: LEGISLATION:** Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 12-2015 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make supplemental appropriations for the Village of East Palestine, Ohio for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Ord. 12-2015. Atty. Beagle-y, Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Figley-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mrs. Wisser-y. 6 YES to pass. . Atty. Beagle introduced Ordinance 13-2015 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance to amend ordinance number 15-2007 regarding the providing of water & sewer services to be rendered to permanent parcel numbers 68-0427.000, 67-0384000, and 6700384.003 owned by David & Michelle Vargo.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Ord. 13-2015. Atty. Beagle-y, Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Figley-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mrs. Wisser-y. 6 YES to pass. Atty. Beagle introduced Ordinance 14-2015 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance increasing the base sewer rate.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Ord. 14-2015. Atty. Beagle-y, Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Figley-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mrs. Wisser-y. 6 YES to pass. Atty. Beagle introduced Ordinance 15-2015 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Village Manager on behalf of the Village of East Palestine to enter into a contract with Gary McConnell, as an independent contractor, on a temporary basis, for the purpose of consultation on efforts to alleviate inflows and infiltration to the sanitary sewer system.** Atty. Beagle made a motion to amend the agenda to add Ord. 16-2015 seconded by Mr. Cohen. Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 16-2015 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation to provide bridge inspection program services.** Mr. Cohen made a motion to go into executive session under ORC section 121.22 to discuss collective bargaining sessions with the unions and pending litigation, inviting the Village Manager and Law Director, seconded by Atty. Beagle. There would be no further business conducted afterwards.

**ADJOURN:** After executive session Mr. Elzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Atty. Beagle. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

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**MISTI J.MARTIN CLERK**

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