

VILLAGE OF MOUNT STERLING, OHIO
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING FOR OCTOBER 9, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Anderson at 7:00 pm

Attending the meeting: Mayor Lowell Anderson
 Council Member Jim Davis
 Council Member David Timmons
 Village Solicitor Mark Pitstick
 Courtney Bricker Fiscal Officer
 Council Member Rebecca Burns
 Council Member Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff
 Council Member Diane Spradlin
 Village Administrator John Martin

Mayor's Comments: None

Public Comments: None

Department Reports:

Village Administrator: Additional funds for veteran's memorial are being worked out. The new water plant is coming along small items still need to be done like painting and flooring. The plant is somewhat set-up. The next few weeks we will start processing and testing water. Clevenger project is completed with an exception of an item that is still being worked out with IBI and a property owner. Date is pending on the organization of the open house for the new water plant.

Sheriff's Office: No Report
 Village Solicitor: No Report
 Clerk of Council: No Report
 Fiscal Officer: Presented fiscal reports for review and approval.

Motion to approve Sept. 17, 2017 council meeting minutes

Ordinance: N/A		Resolution: N/A			
Motion	Timmons	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:			
2 ND	Davis				
Voice Vote				YES	NO
	Burns			X	
	Davis			X	
	Spradlin			X	
	Ratliff	X			
	Timmons	X			
Result of Vote:	Passed: X	Failed:			

Motion to accept appropriation status report

Ordinance: N/A		Resolution: N/A			
Motion	Timmons	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:			
2 ND	Ratliff				
Voice Vote				YES	NO
	Burns			X	
	Davis			X	
	Spradlin			X	
	Ratliff	X			
	Timmons	X			
None					

Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:

Motion to accept Fund Status report

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	N/A				
Motion	Timmons	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION None					
2 ND	Ratliff						
Voice Vote						YES	NO
	Burns					X	
	Davis					X	
	Spradlin					X	
	Ratliff	X					
	Timmons	X					
Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:							

Motion to accept Receipt Listing report

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	N/A				
Motion	Spradlin	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:					
2 ND	Burns						
Voice Vote						YES	NO
	Burns					X	
	Davis					X	
	Spradlin					X	
	Ratliff	X					
	Timmons	X					
Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:							

Motion to accept Payment Listing report

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	N/A				
Motion	Timmons	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:					
2 ND	Ratliff						
Voice Vote						YES	NO
	Burns					X	
	Davis					X	
	Spradlin					X	
	Ratliff	X					
	Timmons	X					
Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:							

Motion to accept RITA report

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	N/A				
Motion	Ratliff	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:					
2 ND	Davis						
Voice Vote						YES	NO
	Burns					X	
	Davis					X	
	Spradlin					X	
	Ratliff	X					
	Timmons	X					
Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:							

Resolution: To participate in Ohio Checkbook program-3rd reading

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	2017-17		
Motion	Timmons	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:			

2 ND	Ratliff		
Voice Vote		YES	NO
	Burns	X	
	Davis	X	
	Spradlin	X	
	Ratliff	X	
	Timmons	X	
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X	Failed:

Adopt Ohio Checkbook Program

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	2017-17
Motion	Davis		
2 ND	Timmons		
Voice Vote		YES	NO
	Burns	X	
	Davis	X	
	Spradlin	X	
	Ratliff	X	
	Timmons	X	
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X	Failed:

Resolution: To abolish Mt. Sterling pay band program (1st reading)

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	2017-18
Motion	Davis		
2 ND	Timmons		
Voice Vote		YES	NO
	Burns	X	
	Davis	X	
	Spradlin	X	
	Ratliff	X	
	Timmons	X	
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X	Failed:

Resolution: Declaring the individual pay rate (1st reading)

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	2017-19
Motion	Timmons		
2 ND	Burns		
Voice Vote		YES	NO
	Burns	X	
	Davis	X	
	Spradlin	X	
	Ratliff	X	
	Timmons	X	
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X	Failed:

Resolution: Contract with Mark Pitstick for Village Law Director (1st reading)

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	2017-20
Motion	Davis		
2 ND	Ratliff		
Voice Vote		YES	NO
	Burns	X	
	Davis	X	
	Spradlin	X	

	Ratliff	X		
	Timmons	X		
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X		Failed:

Motion: To terminate John Martin

Ordinance:	N/A	Resolution:	N/A			
Motion	Burns	COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:				
2 ND	Spradlin					
Voice Vote					YES	NO
	Burns				X	
	Davis					X
	Spradlin				X	
	Ratliff					X
	Timmons	X				
Result of Vote:	Passed:	X		Failed:		

Committee Reports:

Finance: Pay bills, motion to accept financial reports

Parks and Recreation: No report.

Tri-County Fire District: (Council Member Davis reporting) Mtg. was held on Sept. 28, 2017. Paid the bills, accepted minutes and signed contract for Madison and Monroe. Next mtg. set for Oct. 26, 2017

Sterling Joint Ambulance District: (Council Member Ratliff reporting) Discussed the renewal of the tax levy. Next meeting scheduled Oct. 18, 2017

Pleasant Township: (Council Member Spradlin reporting) Met on Sept. 18 but Mrs. Spradlin was un able to attend due to Village Council mtg. but was able to obtain the notes. Did attend the Oct. 2 meeting schedule and welcomed Tavion Eyerman who gave an update on the Alkire cemetery and how he was keeping the cemetery clean and discovering new historical items. Gary Neff spoke to Jack Dill and info was given to sheriffs dept. Fire prevention week received 100 smoke detectors and community can come to fire dept. to get free detectors. History walk was held on Sept. 21, 2017 leader and organizer was Mr. Eyerman and was thanked for taking the time and effort to create packet, it was great. Lisa Swartz talked about needing more funds to complete veteran's memorial site. The Trustees stated they could not donate any funds at this time. AEP met with community to discuss plans for new feeder lines being started through farms across London Rd. and Scioto Darby Rd. and Burr Oaks. Project to cost about 50 million, more info will be given. Township advised Consumer Life premium rates will remain the same for the next 2 years. Paid bills

Festival: No report

Round Table: Ratiliff- Thanked Tavion on taking care of history walk but made one comment on packet info and advising change. Thanked the employees for their work in the Village

Council Member Timmons: Stated "Lewis Timmons would have been very proud" Thanked Mr. Eyerman for keeping the history of the town. He thanked the employees for their work in the Village.

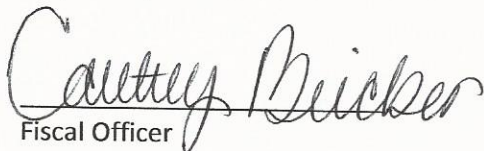
Council Member Spradlin: Talked about the transparency and how proud she was that the Ohio Checkbook program was passed and now the residents can go online and view expenditures and monies of the Village.


Council Member Davis: Thanked the employees on a great job worked at the Village and that he had toured the new water plant and encouraged everyone to go see it. Reminded everyone of the scholarship dinner.

Mayor Anderson: Requested roll call to be read back for resolution 2017-19 and asked Mr. Timmons if he had a comment on why he voted to accept new pay rates for employees. Timmons stated he had a right to do what's best for the Village. Mr. Anderson said he was shocked on the motion to terminate John Martin as he thought there was not enough education on the decision. Mrs. Spradlin advised that council members should not be reprimanded for their decision/vote and that the motion was supported legislatively. Mayor Anderson agreed

Meeting adjourned by Mayor Anderson at 7:47 pm

Respectfully submitted:


Courtney Becker
Fiscal Officer


Lowell G. Anderson, Mayor