Village of Creston Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 2, 2015 @ 7:30pm @ the Muni. Bldg.

The Village of Creston Council met Monday, March 2, 2015 @ 7:30pm @ The Muni. Bldg.

Mayor Armentrout called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Cw. Linda Flory, Cp. Gerry Mills, Cp. Marlin Hostettler, Cm. Keith Studer, Mayor William Armentrout, Supt. Jason Flory and Clerk/Treas. Pam Hostetler taking the meeting minutes.

Absent: Cm. Thomas Barrett, excused, Cm. Todd Davis, unexcused

Others present: Dan Murray, Bob Morehead sub from the Post, Dave Cochran, Frank Haight, John Conlow, Tom Phillips, Jason Zimmerly, Ed Hamilton, Thomas Doohan from the Daily Record and Chief Bryon Meshew

Mayor Armentrout announced that Cm. Todd Davis resigned today. Todd will be putting his resignation in writing as to follow the Rules of Council. Pam Hostetler will put an ad in the paper for this Council member vacancy.

1. Mayor Armentrout asked for approval of the February 9, 2015 meeting minutes.

A motion was then made by Cm. Keith Studer and 2nd. by Cw. Linda Flory to approve the February 9, 2015 meeting minutes.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

2. **Mayor Armentrout** asked for a motion to approve the January Finance reports.

A motion was then made by Cm. Keith Studer and 2nd. by Cw. Linda Flory to approve the January Finance reports.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Mayor Armentrout addressed the following:

3. Mayor's Court Monthly report

Total citations issued -22
Total money received - \$1,408.84
Village received - \$845.84
Burbank Village received - \$0.00
Computer Fund - \$101.00
State received - \$314.00
Enforcement & Education - \$39.00
Drug Fund - \$100.00
W C Muni Court/IDAT funds - \$314.00
OCJS - discontinued as of 7/1/09

5. February Maintenance report:

- Replaced lighting in Water Plant with energy efficient lights
- Installed water meters
- Hauled snow out of the allotments
- Plowed lots of snow
- Installed vents in Community Center bathroom doors and replaced broken registers
- Installed two new faucets in the Municipal Building bathrooms
- Continue to work on Zoning issues
- Performed maintenance on the 1998 Ford Sewer truck
- 6. Mayor Armentrout announced that committee member vacancies that have been filled are: Frank Haight on Zoning Board of Appeals, Susan Bertschy on Park and James Fronek on Tax Board of Review, Susan Bertschy on Zoning Board of Appeals and Thomas Delong on Planning Commission. Pam Hostetler needs one more phone number and then she will print and distribute an updated Committees and Contacts sheet to everyone.
- 7. Mayor Armentrout read 2nd. reading of Raise Resolution #15-3 for Jason Flory 2%, Ed Hamilton 2%, Todd Kamp 2% and Bryon Meshew 2%. We will not be passing this Resolution as an emergency. We will be proceeding with three (3) readings.

Cm. Keith Studer -

1. The Finance committee has a recommendation for Council to approve \$2,872.00 out of General Fund to approve the purchase of ammo (pending on the Chief providing the ORC that states ammo should be expended from General Fund). Chief stated that he did not have the ORC printed off yet. A brief discussion was held.

A motion was then made by Cw. Gerry Mills and 2nd. by Cw. Linda Flory approved the purchase of ammo for no more than \$2,872.00 out of General Fund (pending on the Chief providing the ORC that states ammo should be expended from General Fund).

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Cw. Gerry Mills -

Pam Hostetler used the Admin. Rules recommendations motion on February 18, 2015 as follows:

A motion was then made by Cw. Linda Flory and 2nd. by Cw. Gerry Mills to approve Changing Employee Handbook Page 1, paragraph 4, delete the 4th paragraph and rescind Ordinance #01-10. Changing Employee Handbook Page 1, paragraph 5 will read as follows: All full-time or part-time police officers will stay with the Village of Creston for a minimum of 18 months after being hired full-time or part —time or pay back the cost of the mandatory physical required by the state Ord. 01-11, clothing allowance and gear allowance. Changing Employee Handbook Page 21, paragraph 3, add to the end of the paragraph (after all accrued time is exhausted).

A brief discussion was held.

A motion was then made by Cw. Linda Flory and 2nd. by Cm. Keith Studer to approve Changing Employee Handbook Page 1, paragraph 4, delete the 4th paragraph and rescind Ordinance #01-10. Changing Employee Handbook Page 1, paragraph 5 will read as follows: All full-time or part-time police officers will stay with the Village of Creston for a minimum of 18 months after being hired full-time or part—time or pay back the cost of the mandatory physical required by the state Ord. 01-11, clothing allowance and gear allowance. Changing Employee Handbook Page 21, paragraph 3, add to the end of the paragraph (after all accrued time is exhausted).

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Cw. Linda Flory –

- 1. Linda Flory advised everyone that the Safety committee began discussing the drug problem in the village.
- 2. Linda announced that the Annual Harold Flory Memorial Easter Egg hunt will be April 4, 2015 @ 10:00 or 10:30am. We would like to reserve the Park grounds and Pavilion #1.

A motion was then made by Cm. Marlin Hostettler and 2nd. by Cw. Gerry Mills to approve the Annual Harold Flory Memorial Easter Egg hunt on April 4, 2015 @ 10:00am. at the Creston Park and Pavilion #1.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Cm. Marlin Hostettler -

1. Everything is going good.

Jason Flory - Supt. -

1. We have been snow plowing, snow plowing, snow plowing.

Solicitor Allan Michelson -

- 1. Allan presented his renewal contract and Ordinance #15-5 for April 7,2015 thru April 6, 2017 @ \$90.00 per hour. Mayor William Armentrout read the 1st. reading of Ordinance #15-5.
- 2. Wolfe court date pretrial is October 15, 2015 @ 10am. and trial December 7, 2015 @ 9am. at the Wayne County Common Pleas Court.

Clerk/Treasurer Pam Hostetler -

1. Pam asked for a motion to approve payment of invoices and vouchers totaling \$68,632.36.

A motion was then made by Cm. Thomas Barrett and 2nd. by Cm. Marlin Hostettler to approve payment of invoices and vouchers totaling \$68,632.36.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Chief Bryon Meshew –

1. Bryon stated that February was the 1st. month with the body cameras and they have already saved us a lot of time. Calls were down in February.

Mayor Armentrout advised Council that the Rules of Council states that Council is required to approve the Rules of Council and The Employee Handbook every year in March so I am presenting this to Council tonight to take action. After tonight's approval of changes Pam Hostetler will put together the approved changes and distribute the changes to everyone. A brief discussion was held.

A motion was then made by Cw. Gerry Mills and 2nd. by Cw. Linda Flory to approve the Rules of Council and the Employee Handbook.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Citizen's presentations/comments/requests

- 1. Dave Cochran resident at 8 Cherokee Lane was present to state that the park that he lives in has a drug problem that is out of control. When you see 15-26 cars come and go from the same residence across from me and behind me without even turning off their cars or staying but for a few on a Friday and Saturday, something is going on. I have posted and filed proper papers for them to stay off my property but they still do it. Our Park had an Over Dose last month.
 - Chief stated that there have been six (6) OD's in Creston for 2015 so far. Mr. Cochran stated that he has contacted the owner of the Park because the manager isn't interested in helping me. The owner does the background checks but doesn't seem to be doing a very good job. It is my understanding that in order to have a police dog you must have a fulltime officer for that dog.
 - Mayor Armentrout advised Mr. Cochran that Council rescinded the .5% tax credit and is looking at using it for a 3rd. fulltime officer.
- 2. Frank Haight resident for 30 years at the same Park right off of Co. Rd. 70 was present and stated that it is like a highway of cars coming and going. Mr. Haight stated that when Mr. Musgrave owned it, he did not tolerate any of this and there wasn't this problem. Mr. Haight stated that he has cut out all the articles from The Post paper, contacted and sent them to the owners of the Park about four (4) days ago. The owner is to respond back to Mr. Haight.

Future meetings:

Zoning Board of Appeals meeting Wednesday, March 4, 2015 @ 6pm. Planning Commission meeting Wednesday, March 4, 2015 @ 6:30pm. Streets meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2015 @ 4pm. Safety meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2015 @ 4:30pm. Admin./Rules meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2015 @ 5:00pm. Community Center meeting Wednesday, March 18, 2015 @ 5:30pm. Finance meeting Wednesday, March 25, 2015 @ 4:30pm.

A motion was then made by Cw. Linda Flory and 2nd. by Cw. Gerry Mills to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call 4 for, 0 against Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela J. Hostetler, Clerk/Treas.