

VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

March 2, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Rod Thobe called to order the Regular Council Meeting on March 2, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village of Fort Recovery Council Meeting Room. Roll call was conducted with the following present: Rod Thobe, Allen Post, Dave Garman, and Dave Kaup. Mayor Broerman was out of town and Scott Pearson was attending the County Health Department Meeting. Also Present; Randy Diller, Dave Bruns, Jared Laux, PG Jellison, Bill Kincade and Roberta Staugler.

President Thobe led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Reports to Council:** Village Administrator Report.

Minutes: The February 16, 2009 minutes were approved with a motion by Dave Kaup seconded by Al Post. Vote All Yes. **Village Income Tax:** Receipts for February \$26,043.45.

Poll for Visitors Comments: Jared Laux, Police Chief thanked the Council for the new windows installed in the Village Hall. Also discussed was the request for approval to approach businesses to request donations for the purchase of tasers. Total cost would be \$2,665.05. D Bretz stated that he is afraid that we will use a taser within 6 months and asked if other PD's have used them. Jared stated Celina has used 4 times, St Henry zero and Coldwater once. D Garmen asked if we were covered with liability insurance. Randy stated we were covered. Jared asked members to trust the officers, stating that tasers help enforce the law without getting hurt, because when you are trying to restrain someone waiting for back up for 20 minutes is a long time. D Bretz asked if the Sheriff's Dept had tasers. Randy stated that the reason he was given for the Sheriff's dept not having tasers is because the Sheriff did not want his officers to have too many options to consider, and thought money might be better spent on car cameras. D Kaup said he had no problem asking for donations. A Post stated that if we ask for donations we might get more input about how the public feels about tasers. It was the general consensus to authorize Jared to request donations for taser purchase and then check back with Council.

Resolutions/Ordinances: None

Village Administrator Randy Diller reported on the following: Project Update; The Village received approval for \$1,000,000.00 0% loan and a \$500,000.00 Grant. We can begin bidding after July 1st with a possible start date in fall of 2009 and continuing construction through the winter. Paperwork to complete and a few right of way documents need to be signed. To begin going door to door with Jerry Guggenbiller to inquire about sanitary lines with sewer camera being used to view lines. The request was also submitted through Recovery.org for the Stimulus Package, for projects that are shovel ready, this includes Phase I of the Sewer Separation Project. Also requested Stimulus money for water treatment improvements and new water tower. Environmental surveys are good for five years, project could be ready in 180 days. If we get funding could move fast and have all projects going at the same time. **Water Plant;** will be removing a water line on State Route 49. The Chlorine Room is complete, safer. Will be able to pre-chlorinate which will help with the process. Working on valves. Ryan to come to next meeting. Plan to schedule a Plant tour in May. Electric bill went up, trying to work on timing of pumps. **Choice One;** currently working on bid documents. **Street:** Jerry working on curbing on Fremont Street, also will be replacing light before street overlay. **Park Board;** Now accepting applications for lifeguards and maintenance workers through the end of the week. **Projects;** We now apply for all projects through RecoveryOhio.gov, and also submit to whatever agency has funds available. **Zoning;** will not take effect until March 18th. **CMI;** our current software for Tax, Finance, Utility and Payroll is through CMI. The current version is Character base, and Finance & Payroll must be replaced prior to EOY as CMI will no longer support. There are cheaper and more expensive systems available. If we stay with CMI the switch will be seamless, and we will retain our history and not have to run two systems concurrently until converted. The cost is over \$43,000. Receiving no objections, there will be a Resolution at the next meeting for approval. **RE Tax;** Received notice this week that we will receive a refund between \$10,000-15,000 for RE Tax paid in years 2005-2007 on seventeen Village properties. **Wabash Telephone;** Nothing new to report. **Spring Clean Up;** will be April 25th, with both Maharg picking up village residents trash and Park Clean Up day. **Poll for Council Comment; none.**

Council reviewed invoices and signed the check register. A Post made a motion with a second by D Garman to approve bills as presented. Vote All Yes.

There being no further business a motion was made by D Kaup seconded by A Post to adjourn the March 2, 2009 meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Roberta Staugler

Roger Broerman, Mayor