

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF EAST SPARTA, COUNTY OF STARK AND STATE OF OHIO HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON MARCH 21, 2011.

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm. Mayor Truax led Council and visitors in reciting The Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with the following members present; Mayor Jackie Truax, Council Members Chris Freitag, Marlene Gray, Jenna Hessedence and Clerk Treasurer Rice. Absent were Council Members Charlene Stelluto and Ron Prosperi. Freitag made motion to accept the absences, seconded by Hessedence. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

Visitors included; Joe Kostic (Village Coordinator), Barb Malavite (SVCP), Bob Cyperski (Village Solicitor) and Karen Mundy (Press News).

Chief Hager presented the Police Report to Council. For February there were; 5 Traffic Arrests, 0 Juvenile Traffic, 0 DUI Arrests, 3 Crash Reports, 2 Misdemeanor Arrests, 0 Felony Arrests and 7 Calls for Service. Hager reported that the new cruiser should be arriving within the week.

The minutes of the February 22nd meeting were read. Hessedence made motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

The Financial Reports were presented to Council. The reports included; Bank Reconciliation, Warrant Register, Receipt Register, Fund Status, Revenue Status and Appropriation Status. Freitag made motion to pay the bills totaling \$16,699.56, seconded by Gray. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

O-4-11-3 accepting Ohio Municipal Code – 1st reading.

The Mayor reported that the Local Government Officials Conference will be April 6th and 7th in Columbus. She and Stelluto would like to attend. Hessedence made motion to send the Mayor and Stelluto to the conference at a cost of \$185.00 each, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

O-5-11-3 approving the annexation of the bank and park – 1st reading.

O-6-11-3 changing map boundaries reflecting annexation – 1st reading.

The Mayor stated that she had received a card and several calls thanking Joe and Jeff for their hard work to keep the streets free of snow and ice.

The Mayor stated that she had received an anonymous letter complaining of conditions inside the Village limits; specifically speeding, junk vehicles, rumored pit bulls and numerous foreclosed properties. The Mayor stated that she will post notices in the Post Office stating that individuals have until April 16th to clean their properties or will be contacted by the Solicitor. Clean up day will be April 16th from 8:00am to noon with dumpsters being placed at the site of the old grade school.

Malavite addressed Council. She stated that she had not received a copy of the minutes so could not report proceedings to Council. Malavite did state that the park board was seeking approval to spend \$11,000.00 for a mower and also had not as of yet decided on wages.

Kostic addressed Council.

1. Would like to have the streets swept early this year due to the amount of debris. Reilly Sweeping estimate of \$190.00 for first 2 hours and \$92.00 an hour thereafter. Total cost approx \$650.00. Alpha and Omega \$70.00 an hour for a total of approx \$750.00. Hessedence made motion to have the streets swept by Reilly's, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

2. The back garage door was broken and no one would work on door since it was not equipped with electric eyes. Kostic got door working now but if breaks again will need to be replaced for a cost of approx \$355.00.
3. Kostic stated that Council needs to decide on 2011 paving. At this time Kostic would like to repair and chip and seal Pershing and the alley behind the Municipal Building. Kostic would also like to advertise for bids for Chestnut Street South. Hessedence made motion to advertise for sealed bids, seconded by Freitag. Roll call 3 Yea, 0 Nay, motion carried.

The Water Board minutes were read to Council. The run reports for the Fire Dept and Tri Division were presented to Council.

Freitag made motion to adjourn, seconded by Hessedence. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer