

VILLAGE OF RUSSIA

VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES February 8, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Russia council was held Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at the Village office at 232 W. Main St. Mayor, Terence Daugherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ron Simon
Greg Borchers
Larry Platfoot
Cindy Goubeaux
John Grogean

Absent: Mary Jo High

Non-members present: Mark Shappie, Mary Jo Voidsard, Justin Spillers, and Wes Goubeaux of Choice One Engineering,

- The minutes of the January 11, 2017 regular meeting were read, and a motion was made by Simon, and seconded by Goubeaux to approve the meeting minutes. All yea, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Platfoot and seconded by Goubeaux to approve the bills as presented. All yea, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Borchers and seconded by Goubeaux to approve the January financial reports. All yea, motion passed.

Police

Mayor Daugherty gave the Law Enforcement report for the month of January. He said that activity was fairly routine. He said that Sheriff Lenhart will be posting weekly safety tips on Fish report. Daugherty also explained the new 211 Emergency number recently implemented by the County. This number can be called by people needing assistance with various issues, such as food, clothing, counseling, etc.

Water/Waste Water

Shappie reported that the engineering quote from Choice One Engineering for the Well Field Development is \$14,710. This would make the total cost of the project about \$100,000. He said that if the well is located near our present well field, the Village should reconsider renting that property for farming. If it is rented, the Village would have to wait until crops are harvested to begin the project, and that may be late fall. Justin Spillers said he will amend the rental contract to take that 13 acres off the rental contract, and apply the rent already paid to the next rental payment.

Grogean moved, and Simon seconded the motion to begin the planning process for the new well field. All yea, motion passed.

Equipment Purchase

Shappie said he had received prices to replace the Canyon pickup truck as follows:

GMC Sierra 1500 Regular Cab 4 Wheel Drive with 8' bed	\$24,343.00
Ford F-150 Extended Cab 4 Wheel Drive with 6.5' Bed	\$25,723.65
Spray in Bed liner	GMC - \$499.00 Ford - \$469.00
Warning Lights	\$425.00

Platfoot moved, and Goubeaux seconded the motion to purchase the 2017 Ford F150 with the Extended Cab, Spray in Bed liner, and Warning lights at a total cost of \$26,617.65. All yea, motion passed.

Shappie also had quotes to replace the John Deere Tractor. He said the present tractor had caught on fire, and was currently at Koenig Equipment for repair. He said if we traded in the existing tractor for a new one, the cost would be as follows:

John Deere 5100 Standard Tires	\$50,741.21 less trade in allowance of \$37,200 Net cost \$13,540.21
John Deere 5100 Small Tires	\$49,888.31 less trade in allowance of \$37,200 Net cost \$12,688.31

They told him at Koenig Equipment that the trade in value would depreciate quickly in the next year or two. Grogean said he felt that it should be tabled until next month to see if anyone was interested in purchasing the old tractor rather than trading it in. He said he would check with possible buyers. Shappie said that he would like to get our trucks and tractor on a four year rotating replacement schedule. This would allow for a better trade in value, and the Village would not have to purchase several items in one year.

Streets

Shappie said that the engineering estimate for the Liberty Street repaving project is \$2,790. He said this would be for repaving Liberty Street from the Railroad to the Matt Shappie residence. He felt that we should not do it to Countryside as originally planned, as water and sewer would have to be installed for the new subdivision.

Industrial Park

Shappie said that there has been no word from FEMA about amending the Flood Map to allow Ed Luthman to proceed with a spec building in the industrial park. Wes Goubeaux said that they are contacting FEMA weekly for updates. Luthman had hoped to begin building in April.

Subdivision

Shappie said that the developer plans to close on the purchase of the land for the subdivision in March, and proceed with development in June.

Bridge Project

Wes Goubeaux said that final approval has been received for the Bridge Project approving the Grant of \$250,000 and the loan of \$100,000. Daugherty said that a former council member had approached him with the suggestion that the creek be rerouted to allow enough room for a strip of buildings in front of the creek. Shappie said that this would change the flood plain, and make some of the land planned for the industrial park unusable. Wes Goubeaux said that it would also affect the current drainage set up. Council decided that it would not be practical. Goubeaux said he would bring the concept drawing of the new industrial park to the next council meeting, showing where the bridge will be located.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Daugherty said that he had contacted Clopay about the possibility of donating garage doors for the new Village Maintenance Facility. Bud Holiga of Clopay responded that the company would be happy to provide the doors. They said they would also install the doors as a training event for employees. The Village will receive new doors, track, etc. They said they would possibly also invite local news to record the community service event.

Shappie said he had met with Miami Valley Lighting about replacing our existing lights with Tier II LED lighting. The Village currently has 32 fixtures at 9,500 lumens, 7 fixtures at 16,000 lumens, and 1 fixture at the industrial park at 27,000 lumens. If the Village stays with the same lumens, the cost of replacement would be \$2,250, and the maintenance contract would result in a total annual savings of \$348. If the 9,500 lumen fixtures are upgraded to 16,000 lumens, the installation cost would be \$3,050, and the annual savings would be \$72. Council members felt that the additional lighting would be worth the minimal extra cost.

Goubeaux moved, and Grogean seconded the motion to proceed with the conversion to LED lighting. All yeas, motion passed.

Shappie said that NK Telco wants to provide service (fiber) to the new industrial park. In order to do this, they need permission to construct a building near the water plant. Shappie said he plans to talk to the Jackson Center Village Administrator, who recently had fiber installed. They will draw up a contract at a later date.

Shappie said that the Russia Library will be holding an Open House on March 26 to celebrate their 25th Anniversary. They would like the landscaping to be completed by that time. Grogean said that he would contact Gehret Landscaping to see if this is possible.

Shappie said he was contacted by someone who may be interested in purchasing the property at 113 Main St. which is owned by the Village. They said they were interested in building a 4 unit 2 story apartment building. After discussing, council members did not feel that the property was large enough for this purpose, and could see that parking would also be an issue. They decided not to sell the property for this purpose.

Shappie said that he felt there should be a sign at the new Village Maintenance Facility similar to the new one at the Village Office. Greg Borchers said he would take care of it.

Grogean asked about the progress on the elevator clean up. Shappie said they are working on it, but will continue to be fined until the project is completed.

A motion to suspend the rules was made by Grogean and seconded by Simon. All yea, motion passed.
Goubeaux moved and Platfoot seconded the motion to approve **Ordinance 17-4 adopting and enacting American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code, 2017 Edition as the Code of Ordinances for the Municipality of Russia.**
All yea, motion passed.

Goubeaux moved and Simon seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. All yea, motion passed.

Council President, Ron Simon _____

Clerk, Mary Jo Voisard _____