

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO

March 13, 2017

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:01 a.m. on Monday, March 13, 2017, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Ryan Cox	Karl Scheucher
Robert Gale	Richard Steudel
Sam Knezevic	Courtenay Taplin

Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Law Director Stephen Byron, Police Chief Keith DeWitt, and Service Director Bob Haynik.

The minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held February 13, 2017, had previously been distributed to Council. Mr. Knezevic moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Scheucher.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None
	Abstain:	Gale

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Resolution No. 2017-4 - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Scheucher moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2017-4 adopted

Ms. Merritt arrived at 8:04 a.m.

Ordinance No. 2016-9 (As Amended) - "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1313, Architectural Board of Review, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Waite Hill" was read for the third time. The Law Director informed Council of the changes that had been made from the existing ordinance and the prior versions of the ordinance. Mayor noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Architectural Board of Review had recommended that Council adopt Ordinance

No. 2016-9. After discussion, Mr. Knezevic moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-9 (As Amended), which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call:	Yeas:	Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
	Nays:	None

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2016-9 (As Amended)
adopted

Council then discussed the fees that are being charged for projects that are reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Architectural Board of Review. Council reached consensus on a number of items and the Law Director will prepare legislation for first reading at the next Council meeting.

Ms. Merritt reported on behalf of the Communication and Community Outreach Committee that the newsletter will be emailed, going forward, with copies being available at Village Hall for those residents who would like a hard copy. New information regarding Eagle Road flooding will be placed on the website. The newsletter will go out after the Mayor’s report is received. There was discussion regarding unbundling the calendar and police department notices from the newsletter to expedite the communication with the residents. The email format does not necessitate contemporaneous publication of information, so it is expected there will be more timely communication with residents.

Mr. Scheucher advised Council that the Finance Committee had met and had addressed its agenda items. The new truck had been paid for, and the water in the cemetery will be turned off. The state has enacted Senate Bill 331, which seeks to restrict a municipality’s ability to regulate the placement of small cell technology. The local government fund is being challenged by the Governor’s proposed budget. State Representative Rogers is being invited to a future council meeting.

On behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Mr. Knezevic reported that the Commission had approved a shed on a property on Smith Road by South Lane and had reviewed and recommended approval of the ordinance amending the Architectural Board of Review Chapter.

Mr. Taplin noted that a neighboring community had a communication which stated that the heroin epidemic was not impacting local communities, which is counterfactual. Chief DeWitt advised Council that the new patrol officer, Tyler Lilash, is doing well. He noted that there had been burglaries in neighboring communities which had been perpetrated by heroin users, and that Village residents are encouraged to lock their residences and use their alarm systems. There was a discussion regarding the duty weapons of the Village’s police department and the replacement schedule.

For the Service Committee, Mr. Gale noted that there had not been much snow in February. Mr. Haynik agreed that that the winter had been light on snow, but a storm had been forecast to be

coming this week. The new truck is in service. The Village plans to put the old truck on GovDeals with a \$5,000 reserve. Mr. Haynik further reported that that Davis Diggers had trenched from the Kraft property to a catch basin to the west for a cost of \$3,400, which is the first step toward a permanent fix to the problem. The next step would be to pipe the culvert. The Village is exploring means of obtaining funds (other than from the general fund or the capital improvement fund), to pay for the improvements.

Mr. Gale then moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss the appointment and compensation of Village employees and pending or imminent litigation. Ms. Merritt seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned to executive session
at 9:32 a.m.

Mayor Ranallo reconvened the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Steudel moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call: Yeas: Cox, Gale, Knezevic, Merritt, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2017

ATTEST: _____
Roberta S. Laps, Clerk-Treasurer