

**VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JANUARY 12, 2015**

Mayor Policastro called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The following Council members answered present to roll call: Mr. Marsland, Mr. Miller, Ms. Palazzolo, Ms. Schwartz and Mr. Tinkham.

Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to excuse the absence of Mr. Wolter. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro said Police Officer Nick Pittsley completed his 180 day probationary period and it is recommended by Chief Hines that he be made a Regular Full-Time employee. Officer Pittsley is a lifelong resident of Cincinnati having graduated from Archbishop McNicholas High School. He earned a Bachelor degree in political science from Northern Kentucky University. His family has a history in law enforcement with his grandfather being a New York police officer. He worked previously for the Hamilton County Sheriff's office for two years before being hired as a patrol officer with the Village of Mariemont on June 23, 2014. He has done an excellent job in his first six months. Mr. Tinkham moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to make Officer Pittsley a Regular Full-Time employee. Officer Pittsley said he enjoys working for the Village and appreciated the opportunity to serve. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Member of Council congratulated Officer Pittsley.

Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Ms. Palazzolo to approve the minutes as written for December 15, 2014. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following communications:

From Police Chief Hines: December 2014 Monthly Report. Mr. Tinkham asked if we bought the new police vehicle. Chief Hines said it has been ordered but we will not get it for another 3-4 months but we did get the good price. Ms. Palazzolo said she noticed an arrest for drug paraphernalia which was categorized as general and then some specific to heroin and asked how they are categorized. Chief Hines said for instance if there is a syringe it would be paraphernalia but if the syringe was loaded with heroin in it then it would be categorized as both paraphernalia and heroin.

From Assistant Fire Chief Kiefer: December 2014 Monthly Report.

From Service Superintendent Scherpenberg: December 2014 Monthly Report/2014 Annual Report

From Building Commissioner Hodulik: December 2014 Monthly Report/2014 Annual Report

From Tax Administrator Busam: December 2014 Monthly Report/2014 Annual Report. Mrs. Busam said we were up 1.3% for the year.

From Dick and Carole Demaret: e-mail Dated Friday December 19, 2014 re: Thank You Service Department

From The Cincinnati Enquirer: Article Dated January 4, 2015 re: Emergency Service Levies Increasing on Ballots. Mayor Policastro said our governor has taken a lot of money from the local governments causing quite a few to add levies on the ballots. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said we will have some renewal levies on the ballot this year. Mayor Policastro said they are renewal levies but we are not putting any new ones on the ballot. But as one can see many municipalities are.

From Joanee Van Pelt: Thank You for Donation in Memory of Paul Behrends

From Engineer Ertel: Memo Dated January 9, 2015 re: 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project. Mayor Policastro referred the matter to the Public Works and Service Committee. We always try to get this done in January. We get more bids and a lot more lower bids because the companies are hungry for the work early. If we wait too long like we did a couple of years ago we get very few bids. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said the Engineer's estimate should fall within what funds we should receive. Mayor Policastro said this year we have an agreement with Fairfax to finally get Belmont Avenue completed.

Ms. Schwartz moved, seconded by Ms. Palazzolo to nominate Mr. Marsland as Pro Tem of Council. Mr. Miller moved to nominate Mr. Wolter as Pro Tem of Council but did not get a second motion. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mr. Marsland was named Pro Tem of Council for 2015.

Mr. Tinkham moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said this is a reflection of the budget that Council adopted in July 2014. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-1-15 was adopted.

Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to pay the bills as approved by the Mayor, Fiscal Officer and the Chairman of the Finance Committee. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

The Mayor Policastro read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to appoint Mr. Miller as a Member of the Planning Commission. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro referred to the Finance Committee the Salary Ordinance for Full-Time, Part-Time and Appointed Employees.

Resolutions:

“To Reappoint Mark Erhardt as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

To Reappoint Andrew Seeger as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Joe Stelzer as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Tim Duever as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Karen Sullivan as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Rob Winget as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

To Reappoint Mark Glassmeyer as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Doug Welsh as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“To Reappoint Jason Brownknight as a Member of the South 80 trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015” had a second reading.

“Resolution for the Prostate Cancer Community to Help Raise Awareness for the Month of September” had a first reading.

Ordinances:

“To Add the Property at 4101 Rowan Hill Drive to the Village of Mariemont List of Historic Landmarks” had a third reading. Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-2-15 was adopted. Mr. Miller said the property is under contract and asked if the pending buyers were aware of the Ordinance. Mayor Policastro said yes they were.

“To Amend Ordinance O-21-14 of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Increase Payment for Employees” had a second reading.

“An Ordinance Authorizing Application and Contracting with the Ohio Public Works Commission; and To Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a second reading. Mr. Tinkham verified that this does not cost the Village anything but saves us money. The Ordinance had a third reading. Mr. Tinkham moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-3-15 was adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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Dan Policastro, Mayor

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Anthony J. Borgerding, Fiscal Officer