

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL  
VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT, OHIO  
REGULAR MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER  
DECEMBER 26, 2012**

Mayor Policastro called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The following Council members answered present to roll call: Ms. McCarthy, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scheeser, Mr. Stelzer and Mr. Wolter.

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

Mr. Scheeser asked that the word "Compliancy" be changed to "Compliance". Ms. McCarthy moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to approve the minutes as amended for December 10, 2012. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

The following communications were read by Mayor Policastro:

From Treasurer Kulesza: November 2012 Monthly Report. Clerk Borgerding said everything looks good and we should end with a surplus this year. Mayor Policastro said we are looking good. Mrs. Judd told him for the year we are up 8% over last year. We should end the year close to 1.2 million in the General Fund which is way above what was projected last year. Clerk Borgerding said the expenses were pretty much what was budgeted but receipts have exceeded expectations.

From Dr. Ken Tankersley: e-mail dated December 18, 2012 re: South 80 Lower Gardens. Mayor Policastro said this is an important memo from a Historic officer in the State of Ohio. We are making good progress in our move to save the South 80 acres. Mr. Scheeser asked if there were any more details on the intact feature referenced by Dr. Tankersley. Mr. Stelzer said they are running into intact dirt which means they have got through the silt that the river has left behind. What they are hitting now is referenced as intact features or the actual dirt that was used there. They continue to find artifacts. Mr. Wolter asked if it would be possible to display items that are found in the building. Mayor Policastro said he is planning on getting another curio cabinet with funds donated for the renaming of the Building for Don Shanks to house both memorabilia donated by Mr. Shanks and to display the Indian artifacts in the old one. However, the location would need to be secure, possibly in Council Chambers.

Mr. Scheeser moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to pay the bills as approved by the Mayor, Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Clerk. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Village Offices will be closed on Tuesday January 1, 2013 in Observation of the New Year.

Mr. Scheeser said he noticed that the remaining trees across from Starbucks have been removed which were newer trees. He asked if those were moved. Mayor Policastro said they were moved to be closer inside the island. Mr. Spinnenweber is going to help us again with \$6,000 to buy more trees because we want them all in a line. We did not want the new trees that close to the street. They are supposed to be put in sometime this week. Mr. Scheeser asked if the orphan trees that were left - did those come down or were they moved to a different location. Mayor Policastro said they were supposed to be put back. The ones that were not Ash Trees are to be put back.

Resolutions:

"To Appoint Dave Wuertemberger as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board to Fill the Unexpired Term of Jim Gerace for Calendar Year 2013" had a second reading.

"To Appoint Joan Vago as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for the Calendar Years of 2013 and 2014" had a second reading.

Ordinances:

“Ordinance Amending Section 32.13 of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances, Rules of Council” had a third reading. Ms. McCarthy moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; four ayes, one nay. (Mr. Scheeser dissenting). Ordinance No. O-23-12 was adopted.

“Ordinance Creating Section 91.361 of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances” had a second reading.

“To Amend Section 78, Section III of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Include No Parking on Certain Streets within the Village” had a first reading.

“To Expand the School Zone Design on Madisonville Road, Plainville Road and Chestnut Street and to Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter 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. Scheeser asked if the State of Ohio had any issue with the expansion. Chief Hines said the Ordinance needs to be passed and submitted with the paperwork. When talking with the representative from ODOT he does not believe it will be an issue. Mr. Scheeser said Suzy Weinland sent a note suggesting that the school zone include the crossing area on Madisonville Road by PNC Bank because it is dangerous for children crossing going to school. He asked if it was possible to amend the Ordinance to include this area. Mr. Wolter said it was discussed in the Committee meeting and the problem was viewing the signs - they were afraid that motorists would miss the sign altogether. Mr. Stelzer said the Committee also suggested having children walk to West Street where there is a crossing guard. The Ordinance had a third reading. Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-24-12 was adopted.

“To Supplement Ordinance No. O-1-12 and O-22-12 Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance” had a first reading. Mr. Scheeser moved, seconded by Ms. McCarthy 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. Clerk Borgerding said it is to cover all the encumbrances for the year. The Ordinance had a third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-25-12 was adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Dan Policastro, Mayor

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Anthony J. Borgerding, Clerk