

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL
VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT, OHIO
REGULAR MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER
APRIL 9, 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: Mr. Andrews, Mr. Black, Mr. Miller and Mr. Scheeser. Mr. Wolter arrived at 7:36.

Mr. Black moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to excuse the absence of Ms. McCarthy. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

Mr. Andrews asked to amend the minutes to read ‘...the windows that are being replaced are not cheap and are uniform.’ Mr. Black moved, seconded by Mr. Andrews to accept the minutes as amended for March 26, 2012. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

The following communications were read by Mayor Policastro:

From Police Chief Hines: March 2012 Monthly Report. Chief Hines said he submitted nominations for Act of Bravery Award for Officer Mitchell and Officer Kaiser from Fairfax for their part in the homicide last year. Knowing that these nominations come from every pool in the Hamilton County area, including the City of Cincinnati, he was proud to learn that the two will be receiving the award this year. They will be recognized at the Police Memorial Parade on May 17, 2012 and May 18, 2012 they will actually get their award at the FOP banquet. It is a very distinguished award and quite an honor.

From Assistant Chief Feichtner: March 2012 Monthly Report

From Superintendent Scherpenberg: March 2012 Monthly Report. Mr. Miller asked how the outsourcing of mowing is going. Superintendent Scherpenberg said they started the last week of March and so far everything seems to be going smooth. Mr. Scheeser asked about the Tree Commission Academy. Superintendent Scherpenberg said he attended the class which is offered through ODNR. It consists of four courses which go through the whole tree program. Clerk Borgerding asked if we bought salt for the year. Superintendent Scherpenberg said yes we did buy some and we will probably have to buy a little bit more in order to keep our contract price. He anticipates buying 50 more tons. Mr. Black asked if Recreations Outlet has contacted us about starting the Tot Lot work. Superintendent Scherpenberg said he just got the information from Mrs. Van Pelt and will contact them tomorrow.

From Building Commissioner Malone: March 2012 Monthly Report. Mr. Scheeser asked if the Building Commissioner has historically been involved with sidewalk assessments in the Village. Building Commissioner Malone said no.

From Tax Administrator Judd: March 2012 Monthly Report. Mr. Scheeser said last year Council passed legislation regarding opting out of trash collection for commercial folks. There was a list of criteria that would allow those to opt out. He asked if we have received any requests to opt out of the service. Mrs. Van Pelt said she does not recall any however they may have gone straight to the Tax Department. Mr. Andrews said he thought the legislation stated that Council had to approve any waiver. Mr. Scheeser said he would follow up with Mrs. Judd.

From Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District: Residential Recycling Incentive \$8435.42

From MariElders: 2011 Annual Report

From Police Clerk Maupin: Mayor’s Court Statement February 2012

Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Scheeser to pay the bills as approved by the Mayor, Clerk and Finance Chairman. Mr. Andrews commented that there are 10 line items listing miscellaneous parts, supplies and materials which add up to \$2500. Typically we do not see that many. Chief Hines said he does not know what the purchases were at Ace Hardware for the Fire Department but he does know that the purchases for KOI are for parts needed to do vehicle maintenance repairs. Mr. Wolter said with the Fire Department doing more repairs we may see more of these expenses. Mayor Policastro said he will ask that there be more specific explanation on the bill list. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Lima Company/Marines of Always Brothers 100 Mile Run will be held Saturday May 26, 2012 starting at 6:00 a.m.

Memorial Day Parade will be Monday May 28, 2012 (Lineup begins at 8:00 a.m.)

Village Offices will be closed in Observation of Memorial Day Monday May 28, 2012

Mayor Policastro referred the Trash Contract Renewal to the Health and Recreation Committee. Mr. Andrews said historically this matter has been referred to Public Works and Service Committee and asked why the change. Mayor Policastro said per the Code the trash renewal can also be in the Health & Recreation Committee. Ms. McCarthy has been working with Rumpke and Mrs. Singleton asked that Ms. McCarthy's Committee continue to work on the renewal process.

Mayor Policastro said the Council meeting scheduled for Monday May 28, 2012 will be moved to Tuesday May 29, 2012 due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Resolutions:

“Resolution Declaring the Necessity of Levying a Tax in Excess of the 10 Mill Limitation for Permanent Improvements and Requesting the County Auditor to Certify Matters in Connection Therewith” had a third reading. Mr. Black moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-9-12 was adopted.

“Fixing a Time for Public Hearing on the 2013 Budget” had a first reading. Clerk Borgerding said this is to set the overall budget for the General Fund for fiscal year 2013. He will prepare a budget based on historical data and foreseen expenses.

Ordinances:

“To Accept Bid of Queen City Blacktop, Inc. for the 2012 Miami Road Rehabilitation Project; To Authorize Contract and To Declare Emergency” had a second reading. Mr. Scheeser moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to suspend the rules to allow for the third reading. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a third reading. Mr. Andrews 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-7-12 was adopted.

“To Amend Schedule VII of Section 78 of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Include Murray Avenue, Westbound from Plainville Road to Settle Road, as being a One-Way Street” had a second reading.

“To Purchase a 2012 Ford F-350 Pick-Up Truck Using the State of Ohio Purchasing Program” had a second reading.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Dan Policastro, Mayor

Anthony J. Borgerding, Clerk