

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL
VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT, OHIO
REGULAR MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER
MARCH 25, 2013**

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. Andrews, Ms. McCarthy, Mr. Miller, Mr. Stelzer and Mr. Wolter.

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

Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to approve the minutes for March 11, 2013 and the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes March 11, 2013. On roll call; four ayes, no nays. (Mr. Stelzer abstained due to absence)

The following communications were read by Mayor Policastro:

From Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District: Letter Dated March 5, 2013 re: Residential Recycling Incentive

From Police Clerk Maupin: Mayor's Court Statement February 2013

From John Webb: Letter of Commendation for PO Mitchell and PO Shaw

From Superintendent Scherpenberg: Tennis Court Repair Estimates. Mayor Policastro referred the matter to the Health and Recreation Committee. Mayor Policastro said we want to at least do the lower court this year. Treasurer/Clerk Borgerding said we have allocated \$19,000 from Permanent Improvement to do the work.

From Andy Kulesza: Letter Dated March 21, 2013 re: Resignation from Position of Treasurer

From Karen Sullivan: e-mail Dated March 21, 2013 re: Recap Eastern Corridor Meeting

Ms. Rachel Christian, Field Representative to Congressman, Brad Wenstrup, wanted Council to know that she serves as a liaison to the Congressman as well as their offices in Hamilton, Clermont and Adams Counties. We can help constituents with services involving Federal Agencies. Any questions for the office or Congressman Wenstrup can be directed to 474-7777.

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

Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Stelzer to accept the recommendation of the Safety Committee which met Sunday March 17, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the purchase of a new police car, tasers and fire equipment. Present at the meeting were Safety Chairman, Dennis Wolter, Cortney Scheeser, Vice-Chairman, and Member Joe Stelzer, Police/Fire Chief Rick Hines and Assistant Fire Chief Tim Feichtner. After much discussion the Committee recommends that we purchase and equip a new 2013 Ford Utility Police Interceptor per the following list totaling \$33,354.18:

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| 2013 Ford Utility Police Interceptor | \$25,440.00 |
| Delivery charge | \$97.60 |
| Equipment and installation cost | \$7,116.58 |
| Graphics and installation | \$700.00 |

The existing 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe will be transferred to the Fire Department in the hopes to put off their requirement for a new SUV for at least the next five years.

To replace five eight year old tasers for the police department and their supporting components for a total price of \$8,068.62 per the following list:

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| five- Tasers X2 | \$4,890.00 |
| five- holsters | \$309.75 |

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| five- battery packs | \$257.75 |
| five- 4 year warranties | \$1,544.95 |
| 24- Performance SMART 15 ft cartridge | \$670.80 |
| 12- Performance SMART 25 ft cartridge | \$359.40 |
| Shipping and handling | \$35.97 |

To purchase equipment for the fire department totaling \$51,400 per the following list:

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| Two complete sets of turnout gear, 23 helmets and one pair of boots | \$12,000.00 |
| Hose and equipment | \$12,400.00 |
| Extrication equipment | \$27,000.00 |

The Committee recommends that the emergency clause be implemented. Mr. Wolter said it is pretty straight forward. The request from the Fire Department is for the final requirements for the turn out gear which should bring us into compliance. The hose is for the new fire truck and in the past we have relied on mutual aid to supply the extrication equipment (jaws of life) but we will now be able to carry it on the truck. Ms. McCarthy asked to have it explained why we have the need for two sports utility vehicles. Mr. Andrews asked if it is possible to share vehicles. Chief Hines said that would not be feasible because each vehicle carries separate equipment. We currently have two SUV's. The 2001 Expedition has been on its last legs for several years. By transferring the 2007 Tahoe to the Fire Department it will stretch the life span of the Tahoe because the Fire Department drives less than the Police Department. Mr. Andrews asked if the equipment will not physically fit in both vehicles. Chief Hines said there is always the possibility that the car would need to respond to two different runs at the same time. Mr. Andrews asked if any other possibilities were considered. Chief Hines said they looked at Dodge, Chevrolet and Ford police packages. The Ford was the cheapest. It is an all wheel drive which will allow them to go into the South 80 acres which is now being used heavily. We are still hoping to get a grant to purchase a gator. Mr. Andrews asked if we will need to change the graphics from police to fire. Chief Hines said yes we will need to change the graphics. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Village Offices will be closed on Friday March 29, 2013 in Observance of Good Friday. Mayor Policastro said we will have the Rededication of the Municipal Building to the Colonel Donald Shanks Municipal Building the same day at 4:00 p.m. We ordered three brass plaques and a curio cabinet to hold memorabilia. The cost was \$4000 and to date we have collected \$3800 in donations. He will continue to get donations so it will not be paid for with tax payer money. In addition, Mrs. Shanks gave the Village money to install the black shutters on the front of the building. She wanted the building dressed up a bit. The boulder has been donated to the Village by Evans Landscaping.

Resolutions:

“To Enter Into a Contract with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation to Complete the Safe Routes to School Project” had a second reading.

“To Confirm the Appointment of Jordan Schad as Swim Pool Manager for Calendar Years 2013 and 2014; and To Set Compensation” had a second reading.

Ordinances:

“To Amend Ordinance O-22-11 of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Increase Payment for Employees” had a second reading.

“To Repeal Ordinance No. O-10-12 Pertaining to Maximum Pay Rates for all Grades of Recreation Employees and to Enact New Legislation Pertaining to Maximum Pay Rates for All Grades of Recreation Employees” had a second reading.

“To Purchase a 2013 Ford Explorer Police Cruiser Using the State of Ohio Purchasing Program and To Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. McCarthy to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; Mr. Andrews voted no. Chief Hines said due to the Permanent Improvement Committee of the Whole meeting being held so late in the year the due date for the state bid is the first part of April. We have to pass it on an emergency basis in order to place the order before the deadline. If we order the vehicle later it will cost more money and we risk putting more money into the Expedition. Mr. Andrews said Chief Hines indicated that the State bid has an expiration date. He would think that agencies order vehicles all throughout the year. Chief Hines said people do order throughout the year but a police package vehicle on a State bid requires the Village

to enter into a pool for a reduced rate. The cut off date is due to the manufacturer for manufacturing reasons. The cut-off date is usually the early part of April. It is an annual bid. Mayor Policastro called for another vote to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third readings. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a second and third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Andrews to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. McCarthy to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; five ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-7-13 was adopted.

Mayor Policastro said he left a statement of loss on everyone’s desk that he sent to State Farm regarding the damage done from the auto accident at Wooster Pike and Indianview. He is now waiting to hear from them. He anticipates it being a few weeks as they will probably send out their investigators and adjusters to look at the area. He is going to meet with the Park Board on April 2, 2013 to go over everything with them before we order anything or start to do any work

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Dan Policastro, Mayor

Anthony J. Borgerding, Clerk