

**VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 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. Hlad, Mr. Marsland, Mr. Miller, Ms. Palazzolo, Ms. Schwartz and Mr. Wolter.

Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to approve the minutes as written for September 28, 2015. On roll call; six ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following communications:

From Police Chief Hines: September 2015 Monthly Report. Mr. Wolter asked what constitutes a drug offense and are the majority marijuana or more serious types of drugs. Chief Hines said there is a fair amount of heroin and those related to heroin. Mr. Wolter asked if many are residents. Chief Hines they constitute a small amount.

From Assistant Fire Chief Kiefer: September 2015 Monthly Report

From Service Superintendent Scherpenberg: September 2015 Monthly Report.

From Building Administrator Keyes: September 2015 Monthly Report

From Tax Administrator Busam: September 2015 Monthly Report

From Mayor Policastro: Letter Dated September 14, 2015 re: Thank You Mariemont Preservation Foundation. Mayor Policastro said MPF gave the Village a large sum of money to do the patio in front of the Boathouse. The fire pit is in and really looks nice. It will be really nice for our Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and now both organizations and others want to use the facility.

From Elissa Wendler: Resume for Assistant Fiscal Administrative Assistant (To Fill the Unexpired Term of Christopher Eldridge)

From Mr. Frank Uehlin: Letter Dated September 29, 2015 re: Thank you Oktoberfest Block Party

From Engineer Ertel: E-mail Dated October 7, 2015 re: Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Information

From Engineer Ertel: Letter Dated October 5, 2015 re: Safe Routes to School Enhancements at Belmont and Wooster Pike.

Engineer Ertel said he e-mailed Council information along with a picture of the flashing beacon light. A pedestrian will come up and hit the button which activates a light bar that will flash for twenty seconds. It should not be disruptive to residents but will get the attention of motorists. Mr. Hlad said it seems similar to a grant program in Loveland close to his work. He passes it every day and it does not appear to be a nuisance. Engineer Ertel said this will be installed in conjunction with the Bike Trail Project to cross Plainville Road.

Engineer Ertel said the Belmont/Wooster Pike cost is estimated at \$55,000 with 80/20 percent split with ODOT. The Village would be responsible for \$10,000 of construction. The work is scheduled for 2016 and funds would need to be encumbered in 2016. It will include a refuge island to provide some protection from vehicles. Mayor Policastro said there are some heritage trees that may be impacted. We are working with ODOT to see if those could be left alone. The Bike Path is scheduled for construction in 2018. The reason for the emergency ordinance is to get the planning and public involvement started. Mayor Policastro said we have made it clear to ODOT and OKI that the Village will not be financially supportive. Engineer Ertel said they are looking for alternative funding.

From Ohio Attorney General, Mike DeWine: Letter Dated October 1, 2015 re: Rock Salt Antitrust Litigation Settlement Distribution. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said it was approximately \$1242.00.

From Superintendent Scherpenberg: Memo Dated October 6, 2015 re: Outsourcing Mowing. Mayor Policastro referred the matter to the Finance Committee. Mr. Miller asked how long we have been with GrassCor and how they compare to past companies. Superintendent Scherpenberg said we have been with GrassCor for four years and every contractor has their own way of doing things. GrassCor is easy to work with, very flexible and the end result is the same. Mr. Miller said it is amazing that we are getting the service for under what the Village paid four years ago.

Ms. Fayre Martin, 6 Emery Lane, was granted permission to address Council. She said a speed study was done on their street which indicated 300 cars travelling down Mt. Vernon in a six-hour period on a Thursday. Twenty percent of them were speeding including school buses, maintenance trucks, minivans etc. There are approximately 15 children living in the area under the age of five. Everyone who signed the petition is in agreement with the need for the stop signs to keep us all safe.

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

Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to accept the recommendation of the Public Works and Service Committee which met on Monday August 31, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers to discuss proposed stop signs at the corner of Mt. Vernon and Emery Lane. Present at the meeting were Public Works Committee Chairman Dennis Wolter, Vice-Chairman Mary Ann Schwartz, Committee Member Eric Marsland, Mayor Dan Policastro and Village Engineer Chris Ertel. Several residents living on Mt. Vernon and Emery Lane came in and presented a petition signed by 19 residents living on the streets in question requesting these stop signs be put in place. After much discussion, the Committee recommends that three stop signs be put at this intersection – one on Emery Lane and two on Mt. Vernon. It is recommended that the legislation be prepared with the emergency clause. Mr. Wolter said the Committee met with residents on those streets and we definitely feel there is a need for this legislation. Many streets need this and the hope is to knock them out one at a time till we calm the Village down. On roll call; six ayes, no nays.

Mayor Policastro read the following miscellaneous announcements:

Leaf Pick-Up will begin October 19, 2015 and end December 18, 2015.

Mayor Policastro referred the matter of Bonus Pay for full-time employees to the Finance Committee.

The Council Meeting for the month of December will be held on Monday December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Resolutions:

“To Appoint Grant Karnes as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2015 (To Fill the Unexpired Term of Mark Erhardt) had a third reading. Mr. Hlad moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-25-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Maria Borgerding as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-26-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Wes Iredale as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-27-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Susan Eberlein as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-28-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Anita Hunt as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Years of 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-29-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Laura Stith as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Years of 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-30-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Paul Haffner as a Member of the Architectural Review Board for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-31-15 was adopted.

To Reappoint Paul Allen as a Member of the Architectural Review Board for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-32-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Mark Bruggeman as a Member of the Architectural Review Board for the Calendar Years of 2016 & 2017” had a third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-33-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Louise Schomberg as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for the Calendar Years of 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-34-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Ruth Varner as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for the Calendar Years of 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-35-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Dave Wuertemberger as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for the Calendar Year 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-36-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Nancy Stelzer as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-37-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Andrew Seeger as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-38-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Joe Stelzer as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-39-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Tim Duever as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-40-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Karen Sullivan as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-41-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Rob Winget as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-42-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Judy Foreman as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-43-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Doug Welsh as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-44-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Jason Brownknight as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-45-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Chris White as a Member of the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board for the Calendar Year of 2016” had a third reading. Ms. Palazzolo moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-46-15 was adopted.

“To Authorize Ohio Department of Transportation to Proceed with Project PID No. 99816 Ham-Murray Ave. Bike path; And To Enter Into Contract; And To Declare Emergency” had a second reading. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to suspend the rules to allow for the third reading. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. The Resolution had a third reading. Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-47-15 was adopted.

Ordinances:

“To Amend Section 78, Schedule I of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances to Include No Parking on Certain Streets Within the Village” (Mt. Vernon, Mariemont, Pleasant, Hammerstone, Cachepit, Midden, Mound, Emery) had a third reading. Mr. Hlad said the only concern expressed by residents after the flyers were distributed were what types of signs would they be and where would they be placed. He would like to honor the community as much as we can. Mayor Policastro said we can let the residents know when we are going to install the signs and let them get involved in placement of the signs. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; six ayes, no nay. Ordinance No. O-21-15 was adopted.

“To Reappoint Anthony Borgerding as Village Fiscal Officer for the Calendar Years 2016 and 2017” had a third reading. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Ms. Schwartz to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-22-15 was adopted.

“An Ordinance Authorizing Application and Contracting with the Ohio Public Works Commission” had a second reading. Engineer Ertel said the majority of this work is resurfacing on Settle and Petoskey. The Ordinance is needed to fulfill the contractual requirement. The projected cost is \$150,000 for Petoskey because it has to be gutted and lowered in order to put in the curb. Settle Road is estimated at \$108,000. The grant is for 50% of the work from the Ohio Public Works Commission. If awarded the money would be available July 1, 2016. We have to be under contract for the project by December 31, 2016.

“To Amend Mariemont Code Section 78, Schedule III, of the Mariemont Code of Ordinances and To Declare Emergency” (Stop Sign Emery & Mt. Vernon). Mr. Wolter moved, seconded by Mr. Hlad to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third reading. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a second and third reading. Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Ms. Palazzolo to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Mr. Hlad moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-23-15 was adopted.

“To Appoint Elissa Wendler as Village Fiscal Administrative Assistant for the Calendar Years of 2015, 2016 and 2017 to Fulfill the unexpired Term of Christopher Eldridge; To Set Compensation; and To Declare Emergency” had a first reading. Mr. Marsland moved, seconded by Mr. Wolter to suspend the rules to allow for the second and third reading. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. The Ordinance had a second reading. Mayor Policastro said he and the Fiscal Officer Borgerding met with Ms. Wendler. She is an IT person and they feel she is qualified for the position. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said she would be very capable of doing the job. Mayor Policastro and Fiscal Officer Borgerding thanked Mr. Eldridge for the job he did for the Village. The Ordinance had a third reading. Mr. Hlad moved, seconded by Ms. Palazzolo to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Ms. Schwartz moved, seconded by Mr. Marsland to invoke the emergency clause. On roll call; six ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-24-15 was adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Dan Policastro, Mayor

Anthony J. Borgerding, Fiscal Officer