

**MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MONDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2009**

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The Municipality of Germantown Council met in regular session on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Theodore Landis, Mrs. Jeanne Gentry, Mr. Scott Johnson, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Jim Lawson, Mr. Robert McClain and Mr. Edward Schwaberow.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Tom Schiff, Law Director; Scott Brown, Police Sergeant; Steve Fugate, Water Department Supervisor; Rebecca Jamison, Finance Director and Anna M. Sizemore, Assistant Village Manager/Clerk of Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

None.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

Mr. Rudy Mejia at 4200 N. Main St. presented the new drawings to Council for the outside seating area. Plenty of lighting will be used to light the front area of the building. The patio area will be fenced, but it is easily removed for snow removal. The sidewalk will be extended to match the existing sidewalk.

Mr. Scott Johnson questioned how many parking spaces would this eliminate.

Mr. Mejia stated it would only eliminate four to five parking spaces.

Mrs. Gentry questioned if Mr. Mejia has spoken with the neighboring barber to see if he would have any concerns.

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Mr. Mejia stated he had not yet spoken to the surrounding businesses. He believes this would be very beneficial to the area. The restaurant is doing great and would bring more business to the Village.

Mr. McCain stated he would like to see all the business near Mr. Mejia's location notified of the upcoming project.

Mr. Schwaberow stated he thinks it would be beneficial to invite the public and the Village engineer to a meeting and have everyone voice his or her opinions.

Mrs. Sizemore stated she would mail out a letter informing the local business's of the public meeting to make sure they all have an opportunity to get their question's answered.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mrs. Jamison gave the December 2008 Year End Report.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Steve Fugate, Water Department Supervisor reported they are trying to resolve the water meter reading problems.

Mr. Lawson stated a rumor had been mentioned about a meter being read at a residence with only a 14-year-old child home.

Steve Fugate stated that he would like to see the personnel receive proper training. He reassured Council that the personnel do not read meters if a child is the only one home.

Steve Fugate stated he is using a radio-reading device to read newer meters. Approximately 70% of the residents are already using the radio devices, but there are no more funds to purchase any more radiometers this year.

Steve Fugate expressed his concern on the old meters in the Village. New meters would eliminate running back and forth.

Mrs. Sizemore reported there were minimum complaints with the snow removal. The street crews did a great job.

Mrs. Sizemore stated the County extended the dates for dog license, until February 17th with no penalty.

The income tax forms were ordered late but the 2007 form may be used, we plan to have the new form out next week.

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Mrs. Sizemore stated that Glen Jirka has resigned from Fire Oversight. Fire Oversight did recognize his resignation. She will post the position is available.

Two members need to be appointed to the Economic Development Committee, Mr. Edward Schwaberow and Mr. Robert McClain.

MOTION: Mrs. Gentry motioned to approve Mr. Schwaberow and Mr. McClain to the Economic Development Committee, second by Mr. Lawson

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Gentry, yes; Mrs. Terry Johnson, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Lawson, yes; Mr. McClain, yes; Mr. Schwaberow, yes; Mayor Landis, yes. 7-yes, 0-no.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Sizemore welcomed Germantown Annual Health Clinic; located at 1904 Dayton Germantown Pike.

Mr. McClain questioned if the Village sent welcome letters to new businesses.

Mrs. Sizemore stated she would draft a letter to welcome new businesses. She would also send one to a new resident that was recently brought to her attention. It is hard to send to new residents because the information is not always passed along.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Schiff stated he has not received a response regarding the JEDD.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief McGill discussed the budget. The department did meet their part-time overtime goal. He is looking over the numbers.

Mr. Lawson questioned is the Village charged for every traffic stop.

Chief McGill stated every time an officer opens an activity screen the Village is charged \$5.00. He has asked them to use good judgment when making a traffic stop.

Mr. McCain commented on the price of gasoline, and that when it drops that should help the police budget.

Chief McGill stated he only hopes the prices of gas drop.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Landis stated that February 16th is a holiday and the Council meeting will be held February 17th.

Mayor Landis discussed the Audit Committee meeting. The next meeting will be April 29th at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT:

Mr. Terry Johnson reminded everyone the Park Board meeting will be held February 4th at 7:00.

Mr. Lawson stated he attended the Fire Oversight meeting earlier and at the meeting they did not have anything to report.

Mr. McClain stated he attended the Economic Development meeting and that 139 questionnaires were mailed out and only 6 have been returned.

Mr. Schwaberow stated he attended the Economic Development meeting and is he very impressed with small businesses in the area. He announced that they elected the same officers as last year. Scott Weidle and Jeff Fannin brought in information about new sites and development areas.

LEGISLATION:

Introduction:

Mayor Landis introduced Resolution No. 09-03

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVANCEMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SEWER FUND.

Mayor Landis announced the Public Hearing would be February 17, 2009.

Public Hearing:

Mayor Landis introduced Resolution No. 09-02 for Public Hearing.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST FOR AN ADVANCE OF TAXES FOR 2009 COLLECTED BY THE TREASURER OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO.

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Mayor Landis opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Scott Johnson motioned to adopt Resolution No. 09-02, second by Mrs. Gentry.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Terry Johnson, yes; Mr. Lawson, yes; Mr. McClain, yes; Mr. Schwaberow, yes; Mrs. Gentry, yes; Mayor Landis, yes. 7-yes, 0-no.
MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS:

MOTION: Mr. Schwaberow moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel matters, second by Mr. McClain.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Terry Johnson, yes; Mr. Lawson, yes; Mr. McClain, yes; Mr. Schwaberow, yes; Mrs. Gentry, yes; Mayor Landis, yes. 7-yes, 0-no.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor and Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

PRESENT:

The following members were present at the start of the Executive Session: Mayor Theodore Landis, Mrs. Jeanne Gentry, Mr. Scott Johnson, Mr. Terry Johnson, Mr. Jim Lawson, Mr. Robert McClain, and Mr. Edward Schwaberow.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present was Tom Schiff, Law Director.

The aforementioned persons discussed personnel matters.

Mayor and Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:45 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Terry Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Theodore E. Landis
Mayor