

Village of Windham, Ohio
Minutes of the Special Organizational
Council Meeting

Held January 13, 2016

At 6:09 PM, the Honorable Mayor Robert W. Donham II called the meeting to order and led everyone in the reciting of the pledge of allegiance.

Also present was: Bill Pennington, Dave Fall, Larry Kulhman, Ryan Wagner, Jim Moore, Patty Moore, Cheryl Belknap, Kay Friend, and Mark Beatty.

Roll Call:	Sandy Patti – present	Deborah Blewitt – present
	Scott Garrett – present	Phil Snyder – present
	Linda Rininger – absent	

Mayor Donham began the meeting by swearing in newly elected Council Member, Sandy Patti. Ms. Blewitt swore in Ms. Patti.

Reelected Council Member Debbie Blewitt was sworn in by Mayor Donham.

Reelected Mayor Rob Donham was sworn in by Phil Snyder.

Mayor Donham explained that there was one more council seat to be filled, due to the fact that Mrs. Barrett resigned her council seat at the end of 2015. Ms. Blewitt nominated Cheryl Taylor to fill Mrs. Barrett's seat on council. Mr. Snyder seconded this nomination. There were no more nominations.

The roll call vote was taken for Cheryl Taylor as follows: Ms. Blewitt yes, Mr. Garrett yes, Ms. Patti yes, Mr. Snyder yes. Mrs. Taylor was chosen as the sixth member of Council.

Mayor Donham then swore in Mrs. Taylor.

Mayor Donham then opened the floor for nominations for Council President and Mr. Snyder nominated Ms. Blewitt. The roll call vote was taken with all four members of Council who were present voting yes for the selection of Ms. Blewitt, with Ms. Blewitt abstaining.

Ms. Blewitt said she would have the committee's done by Friday with the new committee members on them. The Mayor suggested keeping the Council Meeting on the same fourth Tuesday of every month and the committee meetings the same, unless there was a conflict with someone's schedule. Ms. Patti suggested that they move the committee meetings to the Thursday after the Council Meeting, so that the council members had more free weeks to plan vacations and such. The Mayor explained that the committee meetings were held at the beginning of the month because policy that is set at the committee level sometimes needs legislation and that gives the solicitor time to prepare that. Mr. Snyder explained that council has been able to accommodate these requests over the years and it has worked very well. The Mayor said that council could look into this further on the Personnel Committee and see if something else would work better.

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Mark Beatty from the Utility Technologies made a presentation explaining his software and its benefits to the council. He explained that the software is able to map all the underground piping for the water and sewer. This is done on an iPad and the information is stored there forever unless we need to edit it. The Village would own its information. This software also keeps track of all the maintenance on fire hydrants and where water main breaks have been. All the data is stored on the iPad, however all the data is also stored at an offsite facility. The software is cellular based. He explained that there is also a leak locator that works with the software, so now we could locate our own water main breaks sooner and get them repaired immediately. The Mayor asked how much this system would cost the Village. Mark said that there are three options, 1 year is \$1464, 3 years is \$3689, and 5 years is \$5490. The Mayor asked Mark to get us an updated quote on the leak locator and the mapping. Mark said he would get all of that information to Ryan Wagner.

Mr. Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Ms. Blewitt. By unanimous vote of all present Council was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest,

Cheree M. Taylor, Clerk of Council

Robert W. Donham II, Mayor

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