

# VILLAGE OF COMMERCIAL POINT

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

November 19, 2012

Ms. Gooden-Kinney called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer Hastings took roll call with the following members present: Mr. Shelton, Mr. Cruz, Ms. Evans, Mr. Thompson, Ms. Gooden-Kinney and Mr. Wissinger. Mayor Hammond, Chief Jordan, Engineer Grosse and Solicitor Hess were also in attendance.

Mr. Shelton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson to approve the October 15, 2012 COW Minutes. All members were in favor with the exception of Ms. Evans who abstained. The motion passed.

Solicitor's Report – No report

Mayor's Report – No report

Engineer's Report – Engineer Grosse informed Council that two bid openings were held today for the trash collection contractor for the Village and a solar salt provider for the plant. We only had one bid come in for the salt which is a company that we have used for several years. We had 3 bids turned in for the trash collection. Upon initial review, Rumpke is the apparent low bidder. Engineer Grosse and Fiscal Officer Hastings will be reviewing the bid documents and Engineer Grosse will be making a recommendation at the December 3, 2012 Regular Council Meeting. Mr. Cruz said he had read something in the ORC that had to do with Council signing contracts for longer than their term of office. He asked Solicitor Hess to look into this for Council. Engineer Grosse reported Breck's Paving will be finished with the Walker Point walk path and other miscellaneous patch work around the Village on November 21, 2012. Mr. Cruz asked Engineer Grosse to investigate the sinkhole issue just south of Station House 81 on Front Street. It was determined that this was the same issue that Ms. Goldhardt of 5 Front Street had been complaining about. Engineer Grosse said he would look at it to see if there would be something we can do to get through the winter months temporarily and fix it permanently next year.

Engineer Grosse reported the guardrail on Front Street will be completed by the first week of December. He would like to add a few more feet onto the original proposal. Council feels that is an amount that Mayor Hammond can approve. At this time, Engineer Grosse gave the following report from Superintendent Thompson: 1) A representative from TONKA came to the plant and was able to give some pointers and fine tune adjustments to help the plant operate on a more productive basis. 2) Downing Construction has completed the installation of media in the second filter. 3) On November 30, 2012 new valves for the plant should be shipped out. The utility employees will be installing the new valves. 4) There are issues with the electric line that is supplying electricity to the pumps in the wells. There seems to be a lot of power drops and our electrician that we have been working with, seems to think this is where the problem stems from. The pumps are overheating and kicking out. Once the electrical line is replaced, these problems should cease. 5) Sherree from Ohio EPA made a visit to the plant and feels Superintendent Thompson and the rest of the employees are doing a great job. 6) The WWTP is having some settling issues. There is talk of bringing a specialist out to the plant to see if they can help figure out what is causing these issues. 7) Superintendent Thompson has been marking water and sewer lines for South Central Power. SCP is in the process of installing new utility poles and need these lines marked. At this time, Ms. Gooden-Kinney asked if we should be testing the water at Southern Point. Engineer Grosse said he doesn't consider the talk on Facebook to be complaints. We will deal with complaints as they come into the Village office, which the residents of Southern Point have been informed to call if they have concerns.

#### Committee reports

- a. Street and Roads – Mr. Shelton asked if we need to look into signing a new contract with Scioto Township on snow removal of Village streets. Trustee Struckman feels it is a continuing contract that requires nothing at this time on Council's part. He did ask that only one person from Commercial Point be responsible for contacting him to plow the streets. Fiscal Officer Hastings said the salt has been pre-purchased and stock piled at the township facility. She will also take

a look at the contract to see if any action needs to be taken. Ms. Gooden-Kinney asked who was responsible for the clearing of snow from the walk path. Village employees will take care of it. She also asked about declaring a snow emergency for the Village. Solicitor Hess said the Pickaway County Sheriff is responsible for declaring the emergency however, Commercial Point could establish a “no-parking” rule.

- b. Safety - Mr. Thompson said the Walker Point walk path will be completed by November 21, 2012. Mr. Cruz asked Engineer Grosse if the bid package will be prepared and ready for distribution by early Spring for the sidewalk project. Engineer Grosse said yes and was hoping to have it ready by March or early April 2013. Mr. Thompson asked if the STOP sign had been repaired at Edmonds/Alberta intersection. Mayor Hammond said he went by there early this morning and the sign was fine. It was decided that Mayor Hammond looked at the street sign and not the STOP sign. Mr. Thompson said he would check the status of the STOP sign and report back to Mayor Hammond.
- c. Utilities - Meeting scheduled for November 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
- d. Zoning – Meeting scheduled for November 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
- e. Finance - Nothing to report

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shelton to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

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Kim Gooden-Kinney, President of Council

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Wendy Hastings, Fiscal Officer