LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL 4/20/2017 Mayor Freddie Snyder

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the regular April session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. Invocation was given by Pastor John Fitzgerald and Mayor Snyder led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Mr. Robert Barrett Jr⊠

Ms. Hazel Grooms

Ms. Shawn C. Priest \boxtimes

Mr. Chris Runyon ⊠

Mr. Richard Tolle ⊠

Mr. Scott Willev ⊠

Also Present: Police Chief Shane Nolley \boxtimes

Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans ⊠

Solicitor Fred Beery

Also attending: Blythe Pelham, Steve Bush, Betty Bishop and Pete Pence.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. Chris Runyon moved and Scott Willey seconded to approve the minutes for March 21, 2017 council meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

b. Council reviewed the bills paid in March 2017. Robert Barrett moved and Richard Tolle seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Ms. Betty Bishop and Mr. Pete Pence were representing Grow! Highland County. The purpose of Grow! is to help small businesses get started around Highland County. In addition, the organization has helped three businesses in Leesburg get their start with two of the businesses being very successful. Mr. Pence requested the Village of Leesburg give a \$2,500 donation to their organization as we have in the past years. After discussion, Council decided to donate.

*Shawn Priest moved and Robert Barrett seconded to donate \$2,500 to Grow! Highland County. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Ms. Blythe Pelham – just observing

Mr. Steven Bush – just observing

III. LEGISLATION:

None at this time

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Robert Barrett Jr., Chairman of the Finance Committee reported the committee met on Tuesday, April 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the options with the 2006 Police Cruiser that was totaled in an accident. The Council looked at several used cruiser (provided by Chief Nolley) versus buying a new cruiser/SUV. Most of the used options were close in expense to a new vehicle with a lot of miles and a limited warranty. Councilman Robert Barrett Jr. stated it was the recommendation of the Finance Committee to purchase a new 2017 Ford Utility Interceptor.

Chris Runyon moved and Richard Tolle seconded to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- ➤ Passed around monthly reports for Council to sign.
- ➤ Openthebooks.com requested copy of Village records to be given (copied) at no charge. After discussion, Council felt this would set a precedent and decided not to waive the copy fee.
- Requested income tax refunds for \$160 & \$47.
 *Chris Runyon moved and Robert Barrett seconded to approve the above income tax refunds. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Sgt. Stephens reported that for the month of March 2017, there were 507 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-230 regular, 14 overtime; Officer Stephens-230 regular, 11.25 overtime; Officer Brady-146 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Michael-170 regular, 17 overtime and Officer Cottrell-163.5 regular, 10 overtime. There were 0 Traffic Crash Report, and 14 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 1, Traffic Citations -8, and Warning Citations - 19. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 - 2006 Crown Victoria 1,216 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer - 792 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor - 1,092 miles driven. Repairs: \$1,228 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- ➤ The Police Department has 82 active case reports.
- > The departments total reports received for the month of March 2017 were 14, a decrease of 7 reports from March 2016.
- ➤ Chief Nolley informed Council Sgt. Stephens, Ptl. Cottrell and himself attended OPOTA for a course in Subject Control which is a requirement for 2017 CPT training. In addition, all officers completed a 4 module course on Blue Courage on eOPOTA which is part of the 2017 CPT training.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

- > Hauled a load of junk.
- > Patched holes.
- > Put snow plows and salt spreaders up for the season.
- Unplugged storm drains at Locust and Sycamore with the help of Falls Plumbing.
- Read meters.
- Mowed around town.
- Repaired hole in storm sewer on Brown Street.
- Cleaned out the line on South Street that was causing all the flooding.
- ➤ Council asked Administrator Hattan if he could paint lines on the end spot at Saucy Sisters so residents know they can't park there.

Report of Income Tax Administrator Dorothy Vance:

➤ Mayor Snyder reported for Mrs. Vance that \$34,685.55 was collected for the month of March 2017.

Report of Mayor Freddie Snyder:

Mayor Snyder informed council he was confronted by the Fire Department regarding a near miss by an emergency vehicle at the intersection of 28 and High Street due to traffic blocked by parked cars at the business of Chris Runyon. In addition, there have also been complaints regarding the property across the street owned by Mr. Randy Houck for the same reason of blocking traffic. Mr. Runyon stated if he is not going to be allowed to park in front of his own residence, then there should not be any parking along State Route 28 on either side. After discussion, Mr. Runyon stated he would try and park his vehicles for better visibility along State Route 28.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Richard Tolle moved and Scott Willey seconded to adjourn at 7:52 PM. Roll call vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned.