

**Record of Proceedings for the Village of Aquilla  
November 14, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Council members present: Mr. Glover, Ms. Bennington, Mr. Vodicka, Mr. Eging, Ms. Mitchell, Mr. Locher  
Others present: Fiscal Officer Ms. Vodicka, Resident Dino DeSantis, Zoning Inspector Jenkins  
Mayor Wolfe presiding. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Mr. Don Rice, Superintendent of the Metzenbaum Center gave an update on activities and services of the Center which serves Geauga County.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the regular meeting held on October 10, 2017, were reviewed. Motion by Mr. Vodicka to approve the minutes as presented; second by Ms. Mitchell. Roll call vote all yes.

**RESIDENT COMPLAINT**

Mr. Dino DeSantis purchased the dilapidated house located at 138 Turner Drive, which resulted in the termination of the ordinance violation complaint the Village filed against the previous owner. He removed the existing structure and built a new house on the lot, but has been having difficulty with Mr. Peters, the property owner to the west of his property, as the two lots have had a shared driveway for many years. Mr. Peters has installed a driveway on his property that runs along the property line, which Mr. DeSantis feels is negatively affecting his property value. He was in attendance to ask Council to notify Mr. Peters to move the driveway. Zoning Inspector Jenkins, along with Council, informed Mr. DeSantis that the driveway installation does not violate any zoning laws; the issue constitutes a civil complaint between the two parties. Mr. DeSantis became very agitated and boisterous causing Mr. Locher and Mr. Vodicka to ask him to stop yelling at Council, and to calm down. After reiterating his frustration using inappropriate language, he chose to leave the meeting. A brief discussion ensued following Mr. DeSantis' exit; while Council is concerned about the issue, they can take no action on behalf of either party involved. Zoning Inspector Jenkins volunteered to follow-up with Mr. DeSantis; he will also contact the Village Solicitor regarding the existing garage on Mr. Peter's property to ensure it is in fact located on the correct property.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The following bills for November were presented for payment:

<b>Check#</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2607	Western Reserve Telephone	\$ 99.35
2608	OPERS	\$192.02
2609	Illuminating Company	\$524.07
2610	Richard Wolfe	\$64.05
2611	Amy Vodicka	\$14.84
2612	MBS Landcare	\$7,350.00
2613	TBS Snowplowing and Maintenance	\$4,250.00
	Total:	\$12,494.33

- Motion by Ms. Mitchell to pay bills as presented, second by Mr. Locher. Roll call vote all yes.

**FINANCIALS**

- Council received the bank statement as of October 31, 2017 showing a balance of \$101,701.04  
- Council received the following financial reports:

- UAN reconciliation balance as of October 31, 2017 is \$101,701.04
- Purchase orders: 46-2017 – 49-2017 totaling \$11,678.89
- UAN October receipt list totaling \$3,160.52

- UAN October payment list totaling \$9,627.42
- UAN fund status report as of 11/14/17: 5 funds totaling \$89,206.71

-Motion was made by Ms. Bennington to accept financial reports as presented; second by Mr. Vodicka.  
Roll call vote all yes.

**ORDINANCE 2017-6 Annual Temporary Appropriation for 2018**

Ms. Vodicka presented the Annual Temporary Appropriation to Council. After review and brief discussion, Ms. Bennington made a motion to read the ordinance once in full, and twice by title only. Second was made by Ms. Mitchell. Ms. Vodicka read the ordinance once in full, twice by title only. Mr. Vodicka made a motion to accept Ordinance 2017-6 as presented; second was made by Ms. Bennington. Roll call vote all yes. The Temporary Appropriations do not include provision for street lighting conversion to LED, as Council would like to have that done before the end of 2017. Mr. Locher will contact Mr. Dillon at First Energy to verify scheduling and will contact Ms. Vodicka if the work cannot be done this year.

**ROAD REPAIR**

Council noted the crack & seal/ pothole repair work that was done by the County; there were several very positive remarks about the quality of the work. Mr. Vodicka will contact them for an invoice.

**ZONING**

No zoning updates were given.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wolfe reported that there is a buyer for the property located at 121 Berkshire, however they are having issues with the well water test; he asked if Council knew of any older Village maps that may help them determine the location of an old septic tank that may not have been filled in when the structure on the adjacent property was removed. Ms. Bennington volunteered to research the issue.

Mr. Al DiFranco would like to donate lot # 14-097200 to the Village for the cost of back taxes, approx. \$200. Ms. Bennington made a motion to accept the donation, contingent upon a tax/transaction cost review. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vodicka. Ms. Vodicka will follow-up with the County and Mr. DiFranco.

There being no further business to come before Council, a motion was made by Ms. Bennington, second by Ms. Mitchell, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm.

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Amy Vodicka, Fiscal Officer

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Mayor Richard Wolfe