

Poland Village Council  
REGULAR SESSION  
Tuesday, September 19, 2017

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The Council of the Village of Poland Ohio met in REGULAR SESSION at the Poland Village Town Hall, 308 South Main Street, Poland, Ohio 44514-2082 on Tuesday, September 19, 2017.

Poland Village Mayor Tim Sicafuse called caucus to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Mr. Dunnivant showed an example of the warning signs for the forest. The cost of the new signs is \$347.75 for five signs. He is requesting that Council approve payment for them. Council was in favor of this as well as Atty. Macejko. Mr. Srnec will meet with the Finance Committee to make adjustments next week. He noted that the expenditure could come from the forest line item in the budget with an increase in the "other" line item. He will get a purchase order number to Municipal Sign Company so that the signs can be made. Mrs. Wilson will prepare the purchase order for the sign production for \$350. Mark Thompson noted that three posts have already been installed at the College Lane, Indian Trail, and Weaver entrances and are ready for sign placement.
2. Tim Clavin, Zoning Administrator, gave his report. He also reviewed the issues with temporary signage in the Village and the current ordinance. Mr. Dunnivant noted that an emergency zoning change can pass with a 2/3 vote of Council. Atty. Macejko will check on the passing of a zoning change by emergency.
3. Mrs. Wilson introduced Charles Rumberg, Town One Range One, who discussed the following:
  - a. The organization has a board of trustees in place.
  - b. The organization has acquired its 501C3 status.
  - c. He shared the organization's vision statement. He noted that they intend to work with Village and Township officials to reach their goals.
  - d. He noted that the improvements to Village Hall over the summer were a result of 90 % public help and public funding.
  - e. Mrs. Srnec thanked Mr. Rumberg for the work that has been done and has enjoyed watching and seeing the results.
  - f. Mrs. Wilson asked what the next project will be. Mr. Rumberg stated that the organization has a master list but are looking for cooperation from the government levels of the Village and Township prior to raising any funds and placing their efforts into future projects.
4. Mrs. Wilson noted that there would be no name change to the Buildings, Lands, Utilities, Parks, and Recreation Committee at this time.
5. Mr. Mazur discussed the program regarding the police department checking on senior residents. He asked Council what was needed to start the program. Atty. Macejko noted that an ordinance would not be needed to establish the program and that it would be a police program with funding from the Village. Mr. Dunnivant noted that since it was a new program that Council would need copies of program documents to review. He also noted that an application form will be needed for residents to sign up for the program.
6. Mr. Srnec gave his Fiscal Officer report.
7. Mr. Dunnivant suggested that Council consider having American Legal Publishing come in next year to update the Village's ordinances. Mr. Srnec suggested that the Legislation and Policy Committee complete a thorough review of the current Village ordinances prior to hiring American Legal Publishing. Mr. Srnec will also provide feedback to the Committee from the previous update.
8. Atty. Macejko stated that he is working on the political signage issue. He will present his findings to the appropriate committee for review. He noted that both the Ohio and U.S. Supreme courts

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have issued opinions on this issue. Arbitrary time limits and political signage size are basically unenforceable issues. Mrs. Wilson asked if it could be reviewed on a case by case basis. Atty. Macejko stated with the current zoning ordinance regarding signage being outdated that it would be hard to pursue any violations. State law does prohibit the placement of signage in the right of way.

9. Mayor Sicafuse gave the following report:
  - a. The new aggregate gas rate is 3.50 per mcf. The gas program information (announcement, opt out information, and frequently asked questions) will be placed on the Village's website within a week. The Village is in the program with Boardman, Austintown, and Poland Townships and the City of Youngstown.
  - b. Aqua Ohio will be holding their quarterly public forum meeting at Lowellville City Hall on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
  - c. Eastgate Regional Council of Governments held a meeting this morning (11:00 a.m.) for the next round of street projects. Gary DiOrio, MS Consultants, spoke on behalf of the Village. Mayor Sicafuse noted that the Village would continue with the 61%/39% match which seems to give the most points for future grants. The Village completed five streets for the 2017 project and hopes to complete six streets for next year's project.
  - d. Happy birthday Mr. Srnec!
10. Mr. Dunnivant reminded Council members to start using the new email system instead of your personal email account. Mr. Srnec noted that any emails received for a particular issue (e.g. streets) will automatically be forwarded to those council members on that committee so it's important to check your email often.

Poland Village Mayor Tim Sicafuse called the REGULAR MEETING to order at 7:30 p.m.  
Poland Village Mayor Tim Sicafuse opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Roll Call was taken with the following Members present:**

Mr. Marc Cossette, Member of Council  
Mr. William Dunnivant, President Pro-Tem of Council  
Mr. Joseph Mazur, Member of Council  
Mrs. Linda Srnec, Member of Council  
Mrs. Leah Wilson, Member of Council  
Mrs. Christine Yash, Member of Council

Also present were:

Mr. Russ Beatty, Police Chief and Street Commissioner  
Atty. Jay Macejko, Solicitor  
Tim Clavin, Zoning Administrator  
Nicholas Srnec, Fiscal Officer  
Mark J. Mrofchak, Deputy Clerk of Council

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**2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mr. Mazur**, to waive the reading and to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 5, 2017.

*Vote: Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson - yeas, Cossette, Yash - abstain. Motion carries.*

**3. Notification of Upcoming Meetings and Events to the Public and the News Media**

**Committees**

Buildings, Lands, Utilities,  
Parks, and Recreation  
Finance, Wage, & Insurance  
Legislation & Policy  
Police  
Streets, Sidewalks, & Drainage

October 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
September 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
October 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
October 3, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
October 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.

**Boards & Commissions**

Architectural Review Board  
Board of Zoning Appeals  
Hine Memorial Fund Board  
  
Planning Commission  
  
Poland Municipal Forest Board  
Records Commission  
Western Reserve Joint Fire District

October 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
No meeting scheduled.  
September 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. – at the Poland Presbyterian Church.  
September 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. and October 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
September 26, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in Poland Village Town Hall.  
No meeting scheduled.  
October 11, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at WRJFD Station 92.

**Council**

First and Third Tuesday monthly. Caucus at 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Poland Village Town Hall

Next Regular Meeting:

Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at Poland Village Town Hall

**4. Report from Mayor Sicafuse – REPORTED IN CAUCUS.** In addition, Halloween hours will be held in the Village on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mrs. Srnec**, to accept the Mayor’s Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

**5. Report from Fiscal Officer Nick Srnec – REPORTED IN CAUCUS AND SUBMITTED IN WRITING.**

A motion was made by **Mrs. Wilson**, and seconded by **Mr. Mazur**, to accept the Fiscal Officer’s Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

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6. **Report from Deputy Clerk Mark Mrofchak** – NO REPORT.

7. **Report from Zoning Administrator Tim Clavin** – REPORTED IN CAUCUS AND SUBMITTED IN WRITING.

A motion was made by **Mrs. Yash**, and seconded by **Mrs. Wilson**, to accept the Zoning Administrator's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

8. **Report from the Street Tree Commissioner James Brammer** – NO REPORT.

9. **Report from Solicitor Atty. Jay Macejko** – REPORTED IN CAUCUS.

A motion was made by **Mrs. Wilson**, and seconded by **Mrs. Srnec**, to accept the Solicitor's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

10. **Report from Police Chief and Street Commissioner Russ Beatty**

a. Police Department – SUBMITTED IN WRITING.

b. Street Department – SUBMITTED IN WRITING. Mr. Dunnivant asked Chief Beatty if there was a time frame for the current street project to be completed. Chief Beatty stated "no". Mr. Dunnivant noted that there is no school on October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 16<sup>th</sup> which would help with the paving of College Street. Mr. Dunnivant also noted that there is not supposed to be any parking on the west side of College Street. Chief Beatty stated he went through this last year with the school to enforce the "no parking" ban. The school had sent out flyers telling parents to park there. Mr. Dunnivant stated that he would check with his boss at the school to follow up on this.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mr. Mazur**, to accept the Police Chief and Street Commissioner's Reports.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

11. **Report from the Engineer by Mr. Mazur** – NO REPORT.

12. **Reports from Committees of Council.**

a. Finance, Wage, Audit, and Insurance – Mrs. Srnec reported that a representative of AFLAC would like to make a presentation on long term disability insurance to Council. Mr. Dunnivant felt that there wouldn't be a need for that because the decision is made by the individual employee. He suggested placing something in employee paychecks to see if there is an interest in a presentation.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mr. Cossette**, to accept the Finance, Wage, Audit, and Insurance Committee's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

- b. Legislation and Policy – Mrs. Wilson noted that the meeting to discuss signage and especially political signage will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in Village Hall.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mr. Mazur** to accept the Legislation and Policy Committee's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

- c. Police – Mrs. Yash referred to Chief Beatty's report.
- d. Streets, Sidewalks, and Drainage – NO REPORT.
- e. Buildings, Lands, Utilities, Parks, and Recreation – Mrs. Wilson reported the following:
- Appreciated Town One Range One for attending the meeting tonight.
  - Opted out of changing the name of the committee.
  - Reviewing lease options for the new copier from various copier companies. A meeting will be held with Mr. Srnec to discuss the usage of paper at the Village. She would also like the committee to review options for a paperless policy for the Village to save costs and she welcomes any input.
  - The front step repair should be completed this week.

A motion was made by **Mr. Mazur**, and seconded by **Mrs. Srnec** to accept the Building, Lands, Utilities, Parks, and Recreation Committee's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

### 13. Reports of Boards and Commissions.

- a. Planning Commission – Mrs. Wilson reported the Commission is getting closer to the historic district legislation. Mrs. Wilson also noted that the Committee is getting specific on the tree ordinance and a draft of the tree species list. She noted that the top issue will be political signage at their meeting tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mrs. Srnec**, to accept the Planning Commission's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

- b. Board of Zoning Appeals – NO REPORT.
- c. Architectural Review Board – Mrs. Srnec stated that at the last meeting the Board approved the sign permit for the State Farm agency.

A motion was made by **Mr. Dunnivant**, and seconded by **Mr. Cossette**, to accept the Architectural Review Board's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnivant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

- d. Poland Municipal Forest Board – Mark Thompson stated that the projects in the woods are winding down. The parking lots at Indian Trail and College Lane are 90% complete. The last big project left to complete is the laying of foundation stone along the bluebell trail culvert. Mayor Sicafuse noted that in Chief Beatty's report that there have been thefts of purses and he

reminded visitors to the forest that valuables should be hidden when left in cars since they are an easy target and this happens frequently.

A motion was made by Mr. Cossette, and seconded by Mrs. Srnec, to accept the Poland Municipal Forest Board's Report.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnavant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

- e. Hine Memorial Board - NO REPORT.
- f. Western Reserve Joint Fire District Board of Trustees - NO REPORT.
- g. Records Commission - NO REPORT.

**14. Reports of Special Committees - NONE.**

**15. Communications from Poland Village Residents -**

- a. Charles Rumberg, 7051 North Lima Road, stated that the Forest Foundation will be holding a wine and cheese event at The Café at Wittenauer's on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Invitations are in the mail and he also passed out additional invitations to Council. Mr. Rumberg also stated that Town One Range One will be hosting a "Meet the Candidates" night at the Poland Seminary High School auditorium on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**16. New Business - NONE.**

**17. Old Business - NONE.**

**18. Motions, Ordinances, and Resolutions - NONE.**

**19. Presentation of Bills -** A motion was made by Mrs. Yash, seconded by Mr. Mazur, to pay outstanding bills.

*Vote: Cossette, Dunnavant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.*

**20. Questions from the Media - NONE.**

**21. Remarks by Council and the Mayor**

- a. Mr. Dunnavant - Happy birthday Nick and go Bulldogs!
- b. Mr. Cossette - Happy birthday and only 96 shopping days left until Christmas!
- c. Mr. Mazur - Happy birthday Nick!
- d. Mrs. Srnec - NO COMMENTS.
- e. Mrs. Wilson - Happy birthday Mr. Srnec and thanks for everything that you do!
- f. Mrs. Yash - Happy birthday Nick!
- g. Mayor Sicafuse - NO COMMENTS.

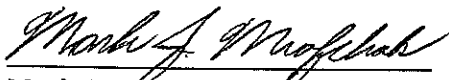
# Record of Proceedings

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22. A motion was made by **Mrs. Yash**, seconded by **Mr. Cossette**, to adjourn the meeting.  
Vote: Cossette, Dunnavant, Mazur, Srnec, Wilson, Yash - yeas. Motion carries unanimously.  
Time: 7:50 p.m.



September 28, 2017

Mark J. Mrofchak, Deputy Clerk  
Village of Poland, Ohio

The next REGULAR MEETING of the Poland Village Council will be **Tuesday, October 5, 2017**. Caucus will begin at 7:00 p.m., with Regular Session beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Poland Village Town Hall, 308 South Main Street, Poland, Ohio 44514-2082.