

**MUNICIPALITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 14**

The Municipality of Germantown Council met in regular session on October 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Stephen Boeder, Mr. Mark Heistand, Mr. Scott Johnson, Mr. Lynn Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Terry Johnson was absent.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Also present were Anna Sizemore, Municipal Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Roy McGill, Chief of Police; Matt Burns, Police Major; Dan Alldred, Fire Chief; Terry Klein, Finance Director; Jonathan Moore, Director of Public Service; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and two visitors.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor and Council reviewed the October 6, 2014 Regular Session minutes.

Mr. Heistand stated on Page 4, under his report should read "St. Augustine's Chapter of St. Vincent de Paul" not "St. Augustus".

**MOTION:** Mr. Wafzig moved to adopt the October 6, 2014 Regular Session minutes as amended.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Heistand, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes 0-no. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC RECOGNITION:**

None.

**CITIZEN'S FORUM:**

Jeremy Holbrook with the German Township Road Department reviewed the upcoming joint Road Levy with Council. This is a 1 mil renewal levy and would cost approximately \$22.95 a year per \$100,000 home value for 5 years. Since 2006 this levy has generated approximately \$660,000 for the City of Germantown. The current levy will expire at the end of 2014 and still be collected through 2015. If the levy does not pass we will not have funding for 2016. He asked that Council endorse this levy by passing a resolution showing support.

The Law Director explained that a resolution would not be possible due to timing and preparation.

Mayor Boeder asked for a motion in support of the joint Germantown and German Township Road Levy that is on the upcoming ballot.

**MOTION:** Mr. Koogle moved to support the upcoming joint Road Levy for the City of Germantown and German Township.

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ROLL CALL: Mr. Heistand, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Mrs. Sizemore stated that the Fire-EMS has received a donation and Council needs to accept this donation of \$100.00.

**MOTION:** Mr. Kuhn moved to accept the donation to the Fire-EMS.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Heistand, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Sizemore went on by saying that she spoke with Mr. Gardner regarding Camp Miami. The asbestos has been removed from the first two buildings. When they were working they discovered 120 square feet of additional asbestos. It was in some of the HVAC system and in a third floor restroom. There will be an additional \$2,000.00 due for the additional 120 square feet. The first two buildings are now ready for demolition. She is working on putting the final touches on a written bid for the demolition of the buildings. This will make everything uniform and will make it easier to make a decision.

We are planning on concentrating on just the enterprise funds on Tuesday nights Budget Work Session. We will be addressing the need for small increases in the utilities. We are also looking at reallocating some of the employees' salaries in the Service Department.

She is working on submitting paperwork for some permissive tax funds that are due to the City. We currently have approximately \$200,000 that is due to the City.

Mrs. Sizemore went on by reviewing the legislation that is on the agenda for tonight. Under introduction is Resolution No. 14-73 which is a contract with the Montgomery County Engineers Office in the amount of \$5,000 for our participation in an aerial imaging project. This will be divided in the budget between 2015 and 2016 if it is approved.

Mr. Wafzig questioned how Montgomery County came up with the cost figures for each jurisdiction. Mrs. Sizemore replied she asked that question and received the breakdown that was given to Council in their packet.

Council discussed the Montgomery County contract for the imaging project. Council requested more information before the Public Hearing at the next meeting.

She went on by reviewing Resolution No. 14-74 which is the purchase of highway rock salt in the amount of \$112.50 per ton. This will be through the City of Middletown but will be supplied from the same company we used last year. We will be getting 600 tons and must take delivery of all 600 tons no later than March 31, 2015.

Mr. Heistand questioned if we have a mild winter will we have the ability to store 600 tons of salt. Mr. Moore replied that we would be able to store approximately 300 tons but it would be tight.

Mayor Boeder stated that the question of purchasing sand to use on the streets during the winter months had been brought up previously and if we had intentions of doing so. Mr. Moore replied that he would rather not. It is not good on our storm sewers; it does not dissolve like salt does.

Under Public Hearing is Resolution No. 14-71 and this is the transfer of funds for September in the amount of \$4,892.73.

She reminded everyone that there is a Budget Work Session meeting tomorrow evening.

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Mr. Koogle stated that he has noticed that several residents are raking leaves into the street. He suggested that the Street Department Staff hand out a pamphlet to give those residents notice. Mrs. Sizemore replied that she would take care of it.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

None.

**LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

The Law Director stated he just wanted to make everyone aware that last week he had a property maintenance case in court that the resident was fined \$1,600 for not being in compliance with the Code. He asked that everyone please take any notices and letters seriously to avoid any legal action.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Terry Klein handed out a performance analysis report to Council. This report shows our current portfolio with Raymond ~~and~~ James. We are currently doing quite well and are getting very good interest rates.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief McGill reviewed the information regarding the investigation of the attempted child enticement at Kercher Park last week. He went on by giving a description of the suspect and showing a sketch of the suspect as well.

He went on by saying that the Regional Dispatch Center just announced that the Officers in the field will have access to photo images of drivers licenses and other sources. This will be a huge asset.

Patrolman Jason Mowery is now certified to teach basic instructor courses. This will allow him to conduct basic academy courses and in-service training.

He handed out a written report pertaining to dispatching and our options. There is another meeting for all parties involved with Regional Dispatch on November 14 that he is planning on attending and will update Council with any information.

He has also included a September summary report for the Department.

Mr. Koogle questioned how Detective Swafford was doing. Chief McGill replied that he had surgery and removed part of a mass and is doing very well. They are waiting for results from the testing of the mass.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Chief Alldred briefly reviewed the September Fire-EMS report.

He stated that October is Fire Prevention Month. He emphasized how important it is to have working smoke detectors and test them each month. The Department has been visiting local schools along with children visiting the station and explaining fire safety.

He asked that everyone drive slow and be safe during Beggars' Night. He also reviewed some Halloween safety tips for all to follow.

Mr. Wafzig questioned if the Fire Department had smoke detectors for families who may not be able to afford one and will the Department go check smoke detectors for those who are unable to check their own. Chief Alldred replied yes he will furnish one to anyone in need and asked if

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anyone needs help testing a smoke detector to please phone the City Building and they will get a Staff member out to check them.

### **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE'S REPORT:**

Jonathan Moore stated that the Department has started the leaf collection for this year. He reminded residents to please put their leaves at the edge of their property but not in the street, behind or under cars and not behind mailboxes or bushes. This slows the process down.

He went on by thanking the City of Franklin's Service Department for their assistance in helping replace a valve for a fire hydrant.

They have replaced several more fire hydrants throughout the City.

They are also working on getting the trucks and plows ready for the winter season.

Mr. Koogle requested that when the staff is plowing snow to please slow down. He has had snow 10 feet high on his home-indicating they are driving entirely too fast and also throwing snow back onto the cleared sidewalk. Mr. Moore replied he would address the issue with his staff.

Mr. Scott Johnson mentioned the letter that Council had received regarding the assistance that our Service Department was able to provide to the Village of Gratis. He feels that this is great and will help with the cost of machinery. If one community does not have a piece of expensive equipment they would be able to borrow each other's equipment instead of each community having to purchase every piece of equipment.

Mr. Koogle stated that the Cemetery is very pleased with the Service Department's help with the repairing of the roads.

Mayor Boeder encouraged residents to call the City if they see any items related to the Service Department that need attention.

Mayor Boeder questioned if the Street Maintenance Project was complete for this year and would it be inspected. Mr. Moore replied that the project is complete and the Engineer and he will be doing an inspection.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Boeder encouraged residents to attend the Budget Work Session meeting scheduled for Tuesday evening.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT:**

#### **Mr. Heistand's Report:**

Mr. Heistand stated he attended the City Beautiful Committee meeting and they have chosen 149 West Market Street as the winner of the Fall Landscape Award. The Committee will be meeting on October 28 to choose the Halloween Decorations Award. Nominations for the Christmas Decoration Award will be taken till December 15.

He asked that everyone have a safe Beggars' Night. The Ghost and Goblins Parade/Costume Contest will be held at the Veterans' Park Gazebo immediately after Beggars' Night.

He announced the free concert/recital at Germantown United Methodist on Sunday November 2 to dedicate the new pipe organ that has been installed. Daniel Yoder from St. Johns United Church of Christ will be playing the new organ.

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**Mr. Scott Johnson's Report:**

None.

**Mr. Koogle's Report:**

Mr. Koogle stated that the Cemetery Board met and there are no major issues. They are looking into removing three trees that are dead.

**Mr. Kuhn's Report:**

Mr. Kuhn stated that the Joint Meeting met which includes the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Breakfast Group and the Economic Development Committee. Jeff Nestor, owner of Nestor Insurance Group from the Miamisburg Merchants Association, attended and gave great pointers on starting a similar group in the Germantown area. He explained how the Merchants Group got started and what/how they participate in activities.

**Mr. Wafzig's Report:**

None.

**Legislation:**

**Introduction:**

RESOLUTION NO. 14-73

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ENGINEERS OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 FOR THE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL ORTHOIMAGERY PROJECT.

Mayor Boeder stated the Public Hearing would be November 3, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-74

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH COMPASS MATERIALS AMERICA, INC., 9900 W. 190<sup>TH</sup> ST., SUITE 100, OVERLAND PARK, KS 66210 FOR THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY ROCK SALT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112.50 PER TON.

Mayor Boeder stated the Public Hearing would be November 3, 2014.

**Public Hearing:**

RESOLUTION NO. 14-71

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Mayor Boeder opened the Public Hearing, Mayor and Council were not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

**MOTION:** Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Resolution No. 14-71.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Heistand, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

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**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:**

Mr. Scott Johnson motioned to excuse Mr. Terry Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Heistand, yes; Mr. Scott Johnson, yes; Mr. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Boeder, yes. 6-yes 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Kuhn moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kelli R. Sanders-Novak  
Clerk of Council

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Stephen A. Boeder  
Mayor