

**VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD MARCH 28, 2018**

Mayor Bird called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE**

Answering roll call were Lynn App, Dean Dorko, Angie Kukay, Duane Myers, Dave Redett and John Starcher.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Officer Chris Suppelsa and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitors in attendance were Rob Ross, Dave Reed, Karyn Kovach, Mike Priebe, Tim Jacobs and Crystal Chapman.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 14, 2018 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

**VISITOR COMMENTS**

Dave Reed, Rob Ross, Karyn Kovach, Mike Priebe and Tim Jacobs were present to assert their belief that the roads on Johnson's Island are private and, as such, should be exempt from the licensing requirements of the village ordinance regulating golf carts. Mr. Dorko explained that it was the Solicitor's determination that the golf cart ordinance applies to roads on Johnson's Island and Council adheres to the advice of legal counsel. Following a lengthy discussion, Mayor Bird stated she would include this topic as an agenda item for the April 11 Council meeting when the Solicitor and Police Chief will be present to answer questions.

**LAKER ATHLETIC BOOSTERS HALF MARATHON**

Crystal Chapman was present to speak with Council about the possibility of the Danbury Laker Athletic Boosters sponsoring a half marathon in the village on the first Sunday in July, 2019. Mrs. Chapman stated this project is in the very early planning stage but the group would like to know Council's thoughts before proceeding. Council members were supportive of the idea but concerned about holding it during the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend which is typically the busiest time of the summer season. Council recommended the Boosters contact Chief Joy for input and suggested the organization consider a different time of year to host the event.

**LEGISLATION**

President Pro Tem John Starcher read the following legislation by title only:

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 1-2018 – An Ordinance Waiving the Residency Requirement for the Current Street Commissioner.** This was the third reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1-2018 made by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

- B. **ORDINANCE NO. 2-2018 – An Ordinance Setting Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village of Marblehead, State of Ohio, During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2018 and Declaring an Emergency.**

Motion to waive three readings on three separate occasions made by Mr. Dorko and seconded by Mr. Redett. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to retain the emergency clause made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2018 made by Mr. App and seconded by Mr. Redett. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

- C. **ORDINANCE NO. 3-2018 – An Ordinance to Change the Zoning Classification of Property Located in Marblehead, Ohio from “R-2 Residential” to “Business” and to Amend the Zoning Map Accordingly.** This was the first reading; second reading will be April 11, 2018.

In discussion on the proposed change, Mr. App questioned the need to rezone the entire parcel to business. He stated he is not opposed to rezoning the back portion to business so that Bay Point can continue to store boat trailers on the area that backs up to the quarry but is very much opposed to rezoning the entire parcel to “Business.” Mr. Dorko agreed that only the back portion of the property needs to be rezoned to “Business.”

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-2018 – A Resolution Supporting the Establishment of the Lake Erie Islands Water Trails as a Designated Water Trail by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.** This was the second reading; third reading will be April 11, 2018.

## **REPORTS**

### **Solicitor**

No report.

### **Finance and Records Committee**

Mr. Starcher said the Finance Committee met to review line item appropriations. He noted this year's appropriations include funds for paving various streets, paving at least a portion of Alexander Pike, and beginning necessary work at Radar Park.

### **Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront Committee**

Mr. Dorko had nothing to report.

### **Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee**

Mr. App stated the Parks Committee met the previous week to begin prioritizing projects for this year. The Committee hopes to have cost estimates soon for the Clemons Park project. The Committee plans to meet again on April 6.

Mr. App also reported that he attended the newly elected officials training conducted by the Ohio Municipal League on March 24.

**Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee**

Mr. Myers had nothing to report.

**Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee**

Mr. Redett had nothing to report.

**Safety/Insurance Committee**

Mrs. Kukay had nothing to report.

**Fiscal Officer**

Mrs. Sowers informed Council of the following correspondence:

Annual notice from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control that all liquor permits in the Village will expire on June 1, 2018. In order to maintain permit privileges all permit holders must file a renewal application. The Legislative Authority has the right to object to the renewal of a permit. Council may file written objections no later than May 2.

Thank you from the Ottawa County Drug Task Force for Council's recent contribution.

Notice from the Ohio Casino Control Commission that effective April 28, 2018 new rules go into effect regulating skill-based amusement machines. These rules may impact businesses within the village. The Commission will conduct information seminars during the next two weeks to explain these new rules including the types of skill games regulated and the registration and licensing process. Sgt. Welch and Officer Suppelsa plan to attend the session being held in Toledo on April 12.

Charter Communications sent notice that Spectrum cable service will be upgraded to 100% digital as of April 17. Spectrum sent notices to all customers in the village advising of the change and the equipment needed to continue to receive service.

**Street Commissioner**

Mr. Lucas advised that he has been in communication with ODOT officials regarding repairs to Main Street (SR 163) at Cottage Cove where the road partially washed out during a recent northeast storm. Mr. Lucas stated permanent repairs could be very expensive and encouraged the Mayor to contact ODOT to find out what type of financial assistance might be available.

**Police Department**

Officer Suppelsa added that the police department will shut down Main Street for short periods while ODOT does temporary repairs of the storm damage to Main Street.

**Zoning Administrator**

Mr. Hruska had nothing to report.

**Board of Public Affairs**

No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. **Update on Venting of Maintenance Garage** – Mr. Starcher said there is no update yet on rerouting the venting in the maintenance garage area of the Town Hall.
  
- B. **Maintenance at the Village Rental Properties**– Mrs. Sowers stated she and Mr. Lucas recently met with a contractor at the village’s rental property to obtain an estimate for modifying the fence and repairing the lighthouse. They discovered, however, that the property is in need of much greater repairs than originally thought. Before proceeding with a quote, the contractor suggested Council determine whether they want to proceed with the repairs, which could be quite expensive, or whether they want to demolish and start over. As a result, Councilman App, a retired architect, was asked to inspect the grounds and make a recommendation. Mr. App submitted a written assessment for Council to consider. The most expensive item is to either repair or rebuild the lighthouse. Council would like to keep the lighthouse if possible and asked Mrs. Sowers to obtain quotes for the work.
  
- C. **Village Easter Egg Hunt** – Mayor Bird announced that the annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Marblehead Police Association will be held Saturday, March 31 at 1:00 p.m. in James Park.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **Council Approval to Use Alexander Pike for the Marblehead Bank Daisy Run** – Mr. Starcher moved to authorize use of Alexander Pike for the annual Marblehead Bank 5K Daisy Run on Saturday, May 12, 2018. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.
  
- B. **Authorize Volunteers to Plant Flowers** – Following discussion last fall about the possibility of recruiting volunteers to care for flower pots, Mrs. Sowers spoke with some village residents with horticultural backgrounds to see if they would be interested. A number of them stated they would be willing to help if there was ever a need. Mayor Bird asked if Council would like to authorize volunteers to plant the pots that the village annually sets out. Mr. Myers moved to authorize volunteers to plant the existing village flowerpots. Second by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mrs. Starcher-yes. Motion carried. Mrs. Sowers will coordinate the volunteer work with Mr. Lucas.
  
- C. **Spring Leaf Pick Up** – Mayor Bird announced the maintenance department will be picking up leaves in the village from April 9 through 20. Leaf bags are available free of charge at the Town Hall for village residents.
  
- D. **Council Authorization to Continue Membership in BWC Group Rating Administered by Comp Management** – Mr. App moved to continue membership in the Ohio Municipal League’s BWC group rating program administered by Comp Management at an annual fee of \$690.00 for a projected premium saving in 2019 of \$5,684.00. Second by Mrs. Kukay. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

- E. **Council Authorization to donate \$100.00 each to the VFW and American Legion for Memorial Day Expenses** – Mr. Starcher moved to donate \$100.00 each to VFW Post 7572 and American Legion Post 555 to be used for Memorial Day Expenses. Second by Mr. Dorko. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

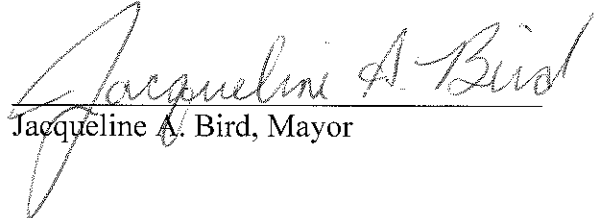
**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion to authorize payment of bills totaling \$2,189.02 made by Mr. Dorko and seconded by Mr. Redett. Vote: Mr. App-yes; Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Redett-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Starcher. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:

  
Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer