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***Minutes of CADIZ VILLAGE COUNCIL Meeting***  
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The Cadiz Village Council met March 1, 2018 in regular session at 7:00 PM in Council chambers. Attending were Council members: Terry Capers, Thomas Crawshaw, Dan Ossman, Chace Smith, John Vermillion, Clerk-Treasurer Amy Ossman, Village Administrator Charley Bowman, Mayor Zitko and Solicitor Mastros. Mike McPeak was absent due to another commitment.

Mayor Zitko brought the March 1, 2018 Council meeting to order, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mayor Zitko asked for approval of the minutes of the February 15, 2018 council meeting. Councilman Capers moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 Council meeting, with Councilman Vermillion seconding; vote all ayes.

**AGENDA:** Mayor Zitko welcomed Fred Holmes from Volunteer Energy who came to council this evening to bring everyone up to speed on various issues. The Village is certified both as a natural gas aggregator, and an electric aggregator, with the first being good for 2 years, which expires May 28. The electric contract expired yesterday, February 28, 2018. He can give us a price of .05575 on a month to month basis, and explained the process to new council members, adding that existing customers can opt out of the program at any time if they wish to do so with no cancellation fee. The Village will continue to get a reinvestment check. Councilman Capers made motion to extend the natural gas contract with Volunteer Energy, with second from Councilman Crawshaw; vote all ayes. Mr. Holmes will try to return to the next council meeting.

Next on the agenda was Mr. Eric Miller, attending this evening to voice his concerns over the property across the street from him on Maplewood Avenue. He felt that as a taxpaying citizen, this should be addressed, as it had been discussed last year. He went on to say that there were rats running up and down the alley, junk cars in the yard, car batteries, and an old trailer. There are also 2 or 3 dogs that stay outside year round. Mr. Miller informed council that Councilman Smith had been kind enough to come and view the property. He knows that council is trying to clean up the community, but this is in a residential area and he felt it was being ignored, and went on to express his thoughts of Maplewood Drive in particular, about how much of a mess the neighborhood actually is. Councilman Smith then added his apprehension of the same, stating that he did walk through the area, and was actually embarrassed by the site. Mr. Bowman remarked that this property was on the next list to be taken to court. Councilman Crawshaw spoke for Council, saying that we are aware of this and several others, and that we can start by getting the Police involved by having the cars tagged, giving the owner 7 days to have them removed or towed.

Mr. Miller continued with his complaint, asking if the storm drains were scoped last year. Mr. Bowman added that these were sanitary sewers, not storm drains. Miller went on to say that the drains cannot be seen, and were covered with debris. Mayor Zitko remarked that they should be cleaned regularly, with Mr. Bowman adding that this is one of the projects for this spring/summer. Mr. Miller asked why the people sitting in jail couldn't be utilized to go out and clean the drains.

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Mr. Bowman remarked that the storm drains were being replaced in different areas, adding that the drains on Maplewood were not complete yet. Miller went on to say that he had worked construction for 26 years, and that these were not being done correctly. The pipe from the storm drain is only a 6" pipe which is not going anywhere but onto a private property, and that there is no way this could be tied into a storm drain that is 4' in the ground, showing pictures that he had taken, with Bowman saying that this is not finished yet, and it is all temporary. Miller asked why we didn't have someone from the City Water/Street along with these crews to see what is going on and to make sure they are doing what they are getting paid for. He feels we are losing money with this company. Bowman said that Superintendent Grewell had been out there periodically, as well as Mannik Smith. Councilman Smith added that we need to get the Maplewood Drive residents some answers. Mayor Zitko thanked Mr. Miller for attending.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Village Administrator Charley Bowman then took the floor, introducing Steve Saines from OEPA, and Brad Janssen from Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. Mr. Saines explained that Cadiz receives water from the Tappan Lake Reservoir, which is owned by MWCD. In the past 5-10 years, Ohio EPA has made a more stringent effort to look at harmful algae bloom toxins, with the reservoir showing low levels. They are trying to come up with ways to improve the water quality, which may take some time. His agency is available to make sure the Water and Sewer plants are running at top speed, and are working with partners such as the Village and landowners to see if they can come up with different ways to solve the problem. They are starting out with looking at the water quality data, and having a mini-conference on April 13 in New Philadelphia, asking that the Village council review and accept the fact that this is what they are trying to do. Hopefully in the future, a grant can possibly be gained to help out. Mr. Janssen added that about 1 year ago, a water quality coordinator had been hired. This person has been working with Charley and Keith, obtaining better communication in working on this potential problem. This is a concern for all of us, and is fully supported by MWCD. Councilman Crawshaw reiterated that none of the harmful algae toxins have made it to our finished drinking water supply. Mayor Zitko asked if the sewage down around the lakes was being addressed, with Janssen replying that they were doing so, and looking for new ways to acquire correct data in this area. They are trying to find new ways to deal with this algae bloom so that it does not create another Lake Erie situation. Mayor Zitko added that cover crops were a good program as well. With no further question or discussion, Mayor Zitko thanked both men for attending.

Mr. Bowman then gave his Administrator's report as follows:

1. Microcystins (HAB) Readings
2. Lake Liming
3. 505 Grant Street (\$35,000 for asbestos removal)
4. Dam Reports/Sally Buffalo/5 year window to complete
5. Employee Safety Committee /Monthly meetings
6. Supplemental Water Application
7. Sally Buffalo Playground grant approved from Senator Hoagland's office

Councilman Vermillion made motion to approve the Administrator's report with second from Councilman Crawshaw; vote all ayes.

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Councilman Capers made motion to go into Executive session to discuss a personnel matter, with second from Councilman Crawshaw; vote all ayes. Members returned with no action taken.

**Police:** Councilman Crawshaw called members attention to Chief McCann's February report, consisting of 104 complaints, 13 citations issued, 6 accident reports, 10 incarcerated arrests and 15 lights reported to AEP. The K9 report was given as well.

**Emergency:** Councilman Capers reported the next meeting to be held will be on March 7; also that the Fish Fry is still going on, hours on Fridays from 11AM-7PM.

**Property:** Councilman Ossman commented on 221-229 Ohio Street, with garbage all over the area. He also reported receiving 3 complaints regarding Maplewood Drive, and the Westfall property across from Harrison Community Hospital which is getting to be an eyesore/junkyard. Ossman suggested that we follow up on these offenders and start fining them. Solicitor Mastros remarked that we can issue citations, but the court would have to take care of the fines.

**Lights:** No report

**Streets:** Councilman Vermillion reported that the street sweeper was down as of today. Also the area from Charleston Street to the High school has been patched 4 times, and with all the rain we've had, it just keeps coming back up. Hot patch won't be available until April, but we all need to be patient. Councilman Ossman commented on the shape of the road on College Way, blaming it on the semis hauling water. Bowman replied that it will be completely repaved, and that council could possibly enact a load limit there. Some discussion ensued regarding RUMA's.

Councilman Smith reported that he was working on starting a program to get some of the youth that were on probation doing some community service to start cleaning up trash from Village streets, as he had stated at the last meeting. Mayor Zitko thanked him for trying to get that implemented.

**Finance:** Councilman Capers reported a Finance meeting had been held earlier this evening, with the next one to be April 5.

**Cemetery:** No report

**Employee Relations:** Councilman Smith reported the first meeting had been held earlier today, which went well but was brief. There were some questions raised regarding vacation time which he will look into. Larry Ludwig won the FitBit challenge from last year's wellness program. Next meeting will be June 7 at noon.

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**Youth & Recreation:** Councilman Crawshaw reported the grant for the playground had been received from Senator Hoagland’s office. Also the Dog Park is coming together; a presentation will be held with the Park Board soon, and also the same presentation will be given to Council at the next meeting. “Night at the Races” is scheduled for March 24 at 6:00; tickets are \$10 and available from any board member. The second annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled also for that morning, with the Lion’s Club again providing breakfast.

**Old Business:** No report

**New Business:** Councilman Vermillion reported on his attendance at the OML Conference held in Columbus for newly elected officers.

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**Claims Ordinance 2018-05**

Councilman Capers made motion to approve Claims Ordinance #2018-05 with second from Councilman Crawshaw; vote all ayes.

**Ordinance 2018-05  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, AMENDING  
ORDINANCE 2017-69 REVISING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE  
VILLAGE OF CADIZ FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 AND AWARD OF  
CONTRACT TO RK LANDSCAPE DESIGNS AND CONSTRUCTION,  
LLC**

Councilman Capers moved to adopt Ordinance 2018-05; second from Councilman Crawshaw. Councilman Ossman questioned the regulations regarding the parking lot at the property, with Councilman Vermillion saying that this ordinance was only in regards to the sidewalk. Voting commenced with all ayes; 1 nay from Vermillion.

**Ordinance 2018-06  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AUXILIARY POLICE UNIT  
WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF CADIZ POLICE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT  
TO R.C. 737.161**

Councilman Crawshaw moved to adopt Ordinance 2018-06; second from Councilman Capers, and vote all ayes.

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**Ordinance 2018-10  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2016-12 AS IT RELATES TO THE VILLAGE OF CADIZ'S PROGRAM FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE SANITARY SEWER LATERAL STATUS REQUIRED FOR ALL REAL ESTATE SITUATED WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF CADIZ**

**Ordinance 2018-11  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 309 WEED, BRUSH, OTHER ORGANIC MATERIAL AND LITTER REMOVAL REQUIRED**

**Ordinance 2018-12  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VITALS AWARE SERVICES**

**Ordinance 2018-13  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE POSITION OF PARK CLERK FOR THE VILLAGE OF CADIZ**

(Solicitor Mastros interjected that although he did receive ordinance 2018-14, he had not had adequate time to review it before the reading. He questioned if it was time-sensitive or not, with Administrator Bowman replying that it was "very". Mastros then requested a few minutes to review the ordinance at this time. Bowman reminded members that at the last meeting he reported that our electric costs at the plant could be reduced by approximately \$67,000/year. He felt that the contract was self-explanatory and was comfortable with it. The urgency to have all readings was to ensure the rate was locked in, as they (rates) sometimes change daily. Solicitor Mastros then agreed to proceed.)

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**Ordinance 2018-14  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading/Emergency**

**AN ORDINANCE ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH  
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY SERVICES, LLC FOR ELECTRIC POWER  
SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Councilman Crawshaw motioned to suspend the rules and have the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of Ordinance 2018-14 for the preservation and protection of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Cadiz; second from Councilman Capers and vote all ayes.

**Ordinance 2018-14  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH  
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY SERVICES, LLC FOR ELECTRIC POWER  
SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Councilman Capers motioned to adopt Ordinance 2018-14 with second from Councilman Vermillion; vote all ayes.

**Resolution 01-2018  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TAPPAN  
LAKE NUTRIENT REDUCTION INITIATIVE**

**Resolution 02-2018  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FINDINGS OF THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT SUBMITTED BY E.L. ROBINSON  
ENGINEERING FOR THE SOUTH AND CENTER WASTEWATER  
COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND DEDICATED STORM  
SEWERS**

**Public Comment:** No one appeared for Public Comment this evening

**Next meetings:** (Councilman Smith reported that he would not be able to attend)

CIC	March 15, 2018 @ 6:00 PM
Next Regular Council	March 15, 2018 @ 7:00 PM )with Council to meet at reservoir at 5:00 PM prior to regular meeting)

Meeting adjourned.

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**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Kenneth Zitko, Mayor**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Amy Ossman, Clerk-Treasurer**

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