

## MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF GOLF MANOR REGULAR MEETING

April 23, 2007

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The regular meeting of the Village of Golf Manor was called to order by Mayor Alan Zaffiro; Clerk-Treasurer Gregory Doering recorded the minutes. After the Pledge-Of-Allegiance, the roll was taken with the following members present: Mrs. Beringhaus, Mrs. Dubose, Mr. Colvin and Mr. Doering.

Mayor Zaffiro appointed Mrs. Beringhaus to the Housing Committee.

Mr. Colvin made a motion to excuse Mr. Brown and Mr. Bidnick, seconded by Mrs. Dubose, all members approved. Mayor Zaffiro directed Mr. Creager to put Jan Musselman, education representative on the agenda for the May 14, 2007 council meeting.

Mr. Doering made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Dubose to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2007 meeting as corrected.

Mr. Ed Haake addressed council and distributed photos of the deplorable conditions at 2434 Kellerman Avenue. He first contacted N.I.C. on March 7, 2007 and it is still not cleaned up as of today. N.I.C. says "they are making progress," but he hasn't seen any. He promises to be at every council meeting until he gets some results. Mayor Zaffiro stated that we will do what we can, and consider this a "TEST CASE" on N.I.C.'s activity.

Mayor Zaffiro reported:

1. He attended the "Matt's 5K Pursuit" 5K rally on April 15, 2007.
2. Thanked the Golf Manor Police Dept. for the pictures of properties outside of Golf Manor but near our boundaries of run down properties. We are looking to the city for help in following up on these problems.
3. Attended the Mayor's Against Illegal Guns activity sponsored by Cincinnati Mayor Mark Mallory.
4. Reported the Valley Communities meeting will be held in Amberley Village on May 4, 2007 at noon.

Vice Mayor reported that she attended the Planning Commission Seminar on April 21, 2007. Many topics were covered and discussions held.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR:** Mr. Creager reported:

1. Duke is replacing the gas main on Graceland Avenue (end to end), when finished, Cedarbrook will begin.
2. Health Care is estimated to increase about 19%. We are looking into other alternatives.
3. BWC – reduced by 1 TPA resulting in a \$1600.00 savings.
4. Streetscape bids due at end of May, Graceland bids will be next.
5. Village liability insurance – looking at all options.
6. State audit will be May 22, 2007.
7. NIC Update: discussed pro's and con's. Request by council to meet with Mr. Mackenzie of NIC. Mayor will contact him to request this.
8. Re: Ridge Club Property Maintenance. Some of our residents' are dumping on their property. They will work on appearance.

**POLICE CHIEF:** Chief Tilley reported:

1. Working with Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority resulted in 2 arrests and 2 evictions.
2. Officer Campbell is back to work on light duty for up to 60 days.
3. Distributed the 2007, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Police Department Statistics to Council.

4. We have been awarded a Homeland Security grant worth about \$15,000.00 in the form of a thermal imaging camera. Officer Heiland will be away 3 days training.
5. Distributed a letter of thanks to Officer Philip Van Cleve from one of our residents.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Ballman:

1. Reported that Lt. Cure-Washington returned to work on April 1, 2007.
2. Distributed the March 2007 Fire & EMS Response report to Golf Manor Council.

**SOLICITOR:**

ORDINANCE 2007-1: Appointing Magistrate Trigg's amended. First reading. Motion to read by title made by Mrs. Dubose, seconded by Mr. Colvin, all members approved.

Motion to pass made by Mrs. Dubose, seconded by Mr. Doering, all members approved.

ORDINANCE 2007-5: Panhandling. First reading. Motion to read by title made by Mrs. Dubose, seconded by Mr. Colvin, all members approved.

Motion to pass made by Mr. Colvin, seconded by Mrs. Dubose, all members approved.

**FINANCE:** Mrs. Dubose reported:

1. The Finance Committee met tonight, department budgets were turned in and reviewed.
2. She has directed the Fire Chief to proceed with the budgeted 2008 purchase of a new ambulance.

Mayor Zaffiro appointed Councilman Doering to the Finance Committee for this meeting.

**SAFETY AND HEALTH:** Mrs. Dubose questioned cones at 2100 Losantiville. They have had barriers added for safety sake.

**HOUSING:** Mayor Zaffiro requested Mrs. Beringhaus to review the property around 6305 Englewood and report back to council. Also, look for violations of the property maintenance code.

Mrs. Dubose made a motion to pay the bills of April 9, 2007 in the amount of \$19,148.68, seconded by Mrs. Dubose, all members approved.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS:** No report.

**EDUCATION:** No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Newsletter: Will be starting the next issue in the near future. Please submit to him anything you have.
2. Mr. Colvin questioned the dumping of gravel at 2100 Losantiville. Mr. Creager will look into this.

3. Councilman Doering questioned the use of the cable message board for “Not for Profit” organizations. Per Mr. Butler, they are O.K., but still must be reviewed and O.K.’d by Mayor.
4. Re: Basketball Courts – open? Mr. Doering was in favor of, but Mr. Creager stated that knothole has started and both being used at the same time has let to trouble in the past. Could the courts be locked during the knothole games? Mr. Butler advised that we may be creating liability if we have a “key keeper”. After lengthy discussion, council will think about options and make a decision next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Mr. Doering reported that the U.S. Army Reserve does do some community service such as demolition and removal of the pool and surrounding area. Please think about what our plans could be, review, and we can discuss at a later meeting. He can look into this option if it is council’s wish.
2. Clerk-Treasurer Doering reported that we must have (20) meetings during the year (by Golf Manor Charter). We already have cancelled 3 meetings due to weather and lack of a quorum. We will need to have a least (1) additional meeting as we will not meet May 28, 2007, (Memorial Day) nor 12/24/07 (Christmas Eve).
3. Mrs. Beringhaus reported:
  - A) That the Concerned Citizens held an Easter Egg hunt April 1, 2007 and it was well attended by over 50 children.
  - B) CPR class is planned for Saturday, April 28, 2007 at 2:00 PM.
  - C) Next meeting will be held on April 27, 2007.

Mr. Doering made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Beringhaus, all members approved.

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**MAYOR, ALAN ZAFFIRO**

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**CLERK-TREAS., GREG DOERING**