

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF GOLF MANOR REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 23, 2009

The regular meeting of the Village of Golf Manor was called to order by Mayor Alan Zaffiro; Clerk-Treasurer Greg Doering recorded the minutes. After the Pledge-of-Allegiance, the roll was taken with all members present.

Mr. Doering made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2009 meeting as corrected, seconded by Mr. Bidnick, all members approved.

Lisa Walker of 6261 Stover Avenue addressed council reference trash at 6257 Stover Avenue. This has been a problem for over 3 months, NIC has been called, and now with the warmer weather it is starting to really smell and she would like something done. Rumpke picks up but the raw garbage in the back yard isn't put out. Chief Taylor replied that there was police activity at that residence in January and February, but not March. Mayor Zaffiro added that he appreciates the patience of Ms. Walker, we share her concerns and we are working on it. It was brought up that the Health Department could be contacted. Mr. Creager will look into that, and the Mayor, who is meeting with NIC on March 27, 2009, will get back to Ms. Walker personally with answers.

Brenda Wehmer of Peck, Schaffer and Williams (Bond Council) spoke to council reference the purchase of squad and 1st response vehicle.

Bond would be for \$190,000.00 with an annual rate (thru PNC Bank) of:

1. 4.681% with no deposits
2. 4.302% with \$200,000.00 on deposit.

Mr. Butler responded that we currently have no deposits with PNC Bank and to do so would take time and other expenses. Since this rate was good only until March 31, 2009, he suggested council approve option number one.

ORDINANCE 2009-6: Authorize \$190,000.00 Bonds for Golf Manor Fire Department Squad and 1st Response Vehicle.

Motion to read by title made by Mr. Bidnick, seconded by Mr. Doering, all members approved.

Motion to suspend rules made by Mr. Doering, seconded by Mr. Bidnick, all members approved.

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

Mr. Bidnick made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Dubose to adjourn for a brief recess to have all the documents signed properly, all members approved.

Mayor Zaffiro reconvened the meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Zaffiro reported:

1. Meeting was held March 13, 2009 with housing planner (Jo Anna Brown) and with Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority reference Stover Manor. All vouchers have been pulled due to poor conditions. Their standards are not being met.

Currently, 3 of 11 buildings are occupied. There are other options for private and/or public funding in the future.

2. Community Development Block Grant – NSP program. \$260,000.00 was awarded to Golf Manor for use of this program. We have learned that there are lots of strings attached to this program. More discussion of this will follow.
3. H.O.M.E. Executive Board met with Mayor and toured Stover Manor and east end of Vera Avenue. They then sat down for a round table discussion on how to make improvements in the Village.

VICE MAYOR: Mrs. Dubose reported:

1. Reference Farmers Market and Farmer Cliff. We are trying to make contact to see if he still has interest.
2. Safety Day will be the 3rd Saturday in August. More details forthcoming.
3. Discussion was held in Finance Committee meeting about possibility of Golf Manor Hall rental.
4. Concerned about youth activity from residents and non-residents at the area of Elbrook & Pieper Way. This puts out negative connotation. Hopes we can nip it in the bud. Chief Taylor agreed, will keep a watch on the situation.

SERVICE DIRECTOR: Mr. Creager reported that we have received an additional grant of \$35,000.00 for Bremont Avenue work. Mr. Brown questioned the scheduling of resurfacing for the Village. Bremont is \$2,000,000.00 in 2009, could mean no streets done in 2010. St. Albans is in really bad shape, was pushed back from 2006 to 2010 to now who knows when. Grant money received moved Bremont ahead, but we will continue to do our best.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Taylor reported:

1. March 2009. 582 runs & 2855 patrol miles.
2. One new cruiser is in, will have it available for show after meeting.
3. Currently have 2 officers off sick and 2 officers in school (training), so some overtime will be necessary.
4. 2nd car is being dressed (finished), should be here by March 27, 2009. These new units should increase our gas mileage from about 8 MPG to 14 MPG.
5. 3 officers have had court downtown for O.V.I. and D.U.I. Officer Mullins is now a member of the D.U.I. taskforce.

Mayor Zaffiro added that he will meet March 27, 2009 with NIC and Golf Manor Police Department to discuss enforcement responsibilities of all involved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Ballman on vacation.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Butler proposed:

ORDINANCE 2009-5: “Compensation” Second reading. Motion to read by title made by Mr. Doering, seconded by Mr. Bidnick, all members approved.

Motion to suspend rules made by Mr. Doering, seconded by Mr. Bidnick, all members approved.

Motion to pass as an emergency made by Mr. Bidnick, seconded by Mrs. Faulk, all members approved.

FINANCE: Mr. Colvin made a motion to approve the bills totaling \$14,751.71, seconded by Mr. Bidnick, all members approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Mrs. Faulk reported:

1. Park Task Force met March 11, 2009 and will meet again April 8, 2009. Proposed survey will be discussed.
2. LSDMC meeting was attended; enrollment is up at elementary school.

Mayor Zaffiro added that he has received notice of additional community block grant funds which could be applied for and could be used for park.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: No report.

SAFETY & HEALTH: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: Councilman Doering questioned the status of the former bakery building at Wiehe & Losantiville. Mr. Creager reported that progress is being made between he and the architect, but plans are still on the drawing board.

Mrs. Dubose questioned the status of the former Pony Keg property on Losantiville. Mayor responded that the owner has abandoned the property and is behind on the taxes. We are considering many options, but nothing in concrete yet. In other words, the answer is nowhere. He hopes to meet with the owner to discuss the condition and all options. May look into Property Maintenance Code violations and enforce and take action.

Clerk-Treasurer Doering asked the status of the Rumpke/Greater Cincinnati Water Works contract. We received a check for \$7,000.00 today, per Mr. Creager, for a total of \$32,000.00 we have received. Mr. Doering noted we have paid out about \$100,000.00 and need to bring the cash outlay close to or equal to the money collected. Solicitor replied that he will call them again, last meeting didn't resolve issue. Mr. Creager also will look into the problems.

Mr. Bidnick stated that everything tonight is answered by "We will work on it". We need to act on these questions and problems. Move on it!

Councilman Doering asked if we give notice to Rumpke will they respond to the pressure.

Mrs. Dubose called Point of Order.

Mayor finalized by stating we will push harder and will set up a meeting for Friday, March 27, 2009.

NEW BUSINESS: Mrs. Faulk announced the Golf Manor Clean Up Day for April 25, 2009. Mayor thanked Mrs. Faulk for her efforts on this project.

Mayor requested an executive session on a matter of property acquisition. Motion made by Mr. Bidnick, seconded by Mrs. Faulk, all members approved.

Mayor Zaffiro reopened the public meeting. Being no further business, motion to adjourn made by Mr. Bidnick, seconded by Mrs. Faulk, all members approved.