



The Village of Walnut Creek Council met in Regular Session, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:30pm, 103 Village Drive.

**PRESENT:**

**Mayor Danny Jackson**  
Councilwoman Cyndi Dupuy  
Councilman Pete Benton  
Attorney Phil Baddour

**Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Ricker**  
Administrator Sharon Geelen  
Chief Robert Parchman  
Theresa Vine, Office Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Councilman Mike Daly

Also in attendance: Steve Lamb, Mike Vine, Stoney Sloan, Cox-Edwards - Scott Edwards, Terracon - Russell Bendel, Jim Clough, Jeanne Noble, & Craig Bowen

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order and Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Jackson provided the opening prayer.

The minutes of January 25<sup>th</sup> and the financial report were presented. There was a brief discussion regarding the financial report with page numbers 1 and 3 revised, with copies to all Councilmembers. Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker motioned to approve; the motion passed unanimously.

**Spillway Repair Project:**

Scott Edwards introduced Russell Bendel from Terracon who had a presentation on the damages and repair of the spillway. Mr. Bendel reviewed the causes of the erosion as well as the two options to repair. Cost estimates were provided for each repair option. The Council asked Mr. Bendel to continue his engineering and to work with the Village Administrator on getting the required information needed for FEMA. Mr. Bendel also mention the need for the EAP (as required by DENR), and he's working on that as well.

**Public Comment:**

No one spoke during the public comment period.

**Councilmember Comments:**

There were no comments made by the council members.

**Administrator Report:**

Administrator Ms. Geelen reported that the Dam Safety came out and inspected the dams again they will be sending us a report.

The debris clean-up sites used post Hurricane Matthew have been cleaned with all material being removed. Mayor Jackson asked if Councilwomen Dupuy would like to look at the sites to verify it meets our approval before we issue a check. Ms. Dupuy stated she will review the site.

Paperwork has been handed to each Councilmember regarding the expense to date from Hurricane Matthew. There has been no FEMA reimbursement as of this time.

2017 – 2018 Budget workshop has been set for April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5pm.

Annual Village Picnic will be April 29<sup>th</sup> 4pm – 6pm and Councilmember Benton will be coordinating the event.

Ms. Geelen stated she is working with a new web designer on getting a new web site design, and hopefully, we can have it up and running in a few weeks.

Property Tax collected to date is approximately 96% of budget & we're looking to collect about \$22,000 more.

#### **Police Chief Report:**

Chief Robert Parchman reviewed his monthly report of violations. Regarding speeding, he is primarily issuing warning tickets but expect that to end soon. Chief Parchman stated speeding continue to be an issue.

Chief Parchman informed the council mandatory continuing education/training will be done online during working hours if a call comes in they can stop and handle the call and resume where they left off at when they return.

Chief Parchman mentions various residence checks made, dog calls and suspicious vehicles.

#### **Committee Reports:**

##### **Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker- Water & Sewer, Lake Committee, Audit:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker stated the lake committee has a meeting scheduled in April; they're trying to reschedule it for March.

The Audit was completed last month.

##### **Councilwomen Dupuy- Village Owned Property:**

Councilwomen Dupuy stated the Dogwood tree at the front entrance has been removed.

Ms. Dupuy stated she has been monitoring the hurricane expense debris removal, and discussion on the dam.

##### **Council Daly-Police, Planning Board, Insurance:**

Mayor Jackson reported with Mr. Daly not in attendance. He stated we have the police report as previously mentioned. No insurance update at this time.

Craig Bowen- Planning Board:

Mr. Bowen talked about expansion of the playground, him moving some small shrubbery that has grown over the last several years, and the purchasing of one additional piece of equipment. Mayor Jackson asked Councilwomen Dupuy to consider the project and give us some feedback. Mr. Bowen asked to be informed of the decision as he would like to complete the project before summertime.

Councilman Benton-Cable TV, Trash & Recycling:

Councilman Benton stated he conducted a survey from the residents of the Village and received the following rating. (scale 1 to 10)

Cable TV - 6.7  
Internet - 8.7  
Phone - 8.7  
Trash - 8.25  
Police- 9.25

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Deer Urban Archery Season Renewal:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker made motion to approve the renewal. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget Amendment:

Ms. Geelen asked to move \$5,000.00 from Office Assistant-line 101 and put it into Part-time Patrol Officer-line 135 due to budget shortfall from one officer being out sick and upcoming training. Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker made motion to approve the budget amendment as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements & Correspondence:

Bluefin, Yellowfin, Blackfin Letter:

Mayor Jackson spoke about Bluefin, Yellowfin & Blackfin owned property going up for sale. Mayor Jackson stated the Village has no jurisdiction over the sale of their property.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the council, the meeting adjourned.

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Administrator, Sharon Geelen

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Mayor Danny Jackson