

**Village of Mount Sterling Council
Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 8, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pro Tem Lowell Anderson.

Attending the meeting: President Pro Tem Lowell Anderson, council persons Rebecca Burns, Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff, Jim Davis, Diane Spradlin and David Timmons. Deputy Jack Dill, Sheriff Saltsman, Mark Pitstick, Bonnie Liff, Dean Shipley of the Madison Press and citizens of the village.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Department Reports:

Sheriff's Department: Deputy Dill gave a report on activities in the village.

Committee Reports:

Streets: High St is in incomplete stage.

TCFD: Meeting was on January 28, 2016. Approved minutes and paid bills. Accepted resignations from two firefighters, hired one firefighter. Discussed medical insurance. Had 294 runs in 2015.

SJAD: Will meet February 10, 2016.

Pleasant Twp.: Report on trucks, convention that was attended, discussed medical insurance.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ordinance 2016-01: An ordinance amending the rules of council.

Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff: We have to abide by the ORC. Six duties were reduced to three.

With the help from the President Pro Tem and Mark Pitstick, we got the rules back in line.

Personnel dramatically affects the budget. Our amendments keep us legal.

Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff made a motion to accept the changes to Ordinance 2016-01 with a second from Diane Spradlin. A voice vote was taken-all yes.

Jim David made a motion to place on third reading with a second from Rebecca Burns. A voice vote was taken-all yes.

David Timmons made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-02 with a second from Jim Davis. A voice vote was taken-all yes.

Resolution 2016-02: A resolution to contract with the Madison County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services and declaring an emergency. Second Reading.

Rebecca Burns made a motion to place on second reading with a second from Diane Spradlin. A voice vote was taken-all yes.

Round Table:

David Timmons: This is the anniversary of the invasion of Iwo Jima.

Rebecca Burns: Asked about the cameras and microphones.

Mary Lou Stiverson Ratliff: Asked about the grant and the signage that was proposed.

Lowell Anderson: Interviewing for Village Administrator. Diane Spradlin made a motion that the council meets as a whole to go over the applications for Village Administrator with a second from David Timmons. A voice vote was taken-all yes. It was decided that will meet on Saturday February 13, 2016 at noon to go over the applications.

Lowell Anderson: Mayor Neff gave his letter of resignation, effective 6:59 p.m. Monday February 8, 2016. Lowell will be mayor until December 31, 2016.

Diane Spradlin: President Pro Tem will be Mayor for one year, vote for new mayor at the next regular municipal election.

Lowell thanked all the citizens for being here.

Mary Lou Stiverson-Ratliff: need to consider updating the strength ordinance.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Bonnie Liff, Clerk of Council

Lowell Anderson, Mayor

The meeting minutes were written Tuesday, February 9, 2016