The regular meeting of the St. Bernard Village Council was held Thursday, June 4, 2015 in Council Chambers.

President of Council, Mr. Michael Peck – The meeting was opened with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call showed that all members were present: Mr. Tobergte, Ms. Hausfeld, Mr. Kalb, Mr. Asbach, Mrs. Schildmeyer, Mr. Culbertson and Mrs. Bedinghaus.

Mr. Asbach made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Mrs. Bedinghaus seconded the motion. Council agreed 7-0.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR, Mr. Burkhardt – Absent.

AUDITOR, Mrs. Brickweg – The Auditor’s Office provided Council and the Administration the end of the May Expense and Revenue spreadsheets. The revenues for May were $1,400,677.20. This includes the $625,520.06 the Village received for the Water Work project on Ross Ave. With that money removed the revenues for May were $775,157.14. Year to date revenues when compared to 2014 are up $68,210.77. The year to date expenditures without the bond funded projects, as of June 3rd were $5,166,178.42. Compared to 2014 the expenditures are down $110,244.65. Copies of the projected 2016 budget numbers are in all of Council’s mailboxes. Council will vote on the projected budget for Hamilton County at a Public Hearing, June 18, 2015, 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

DIRECTOR OF LAW, Mr. Walden – Mayor’s Court went very well last night. We had six trials on the schedule and we were able to obtain plea bargains in all of those trials which probably saved us and additional two hours of trying cases. So again my thanks to everyone involved in helping Mayor’s Court run smoothly.

TREASURER, Mr. Ungruhe – I have the monthly Treasurer’s report to Village Council.

Receipts for the month of June 2015: $1,400,677.20
Receipts for the year through June 2015: $5,888,978.58
Copies have been distributed to Council Members, Clerk of Council and the Administration.

SAFETY DIRECTOR, Ms. Van Valkenberg – I have the Fire Dept. information for last month, May, 2015. There were a total of 21 fire details, runs, including two to Elmwood and one to Norwood and a mutual aid. We also received one mutual aid from Gulf Manor. There were 100 EMS runs for that month including 71 individuals that were actually transported. We also participated in that number of mutual aid runs, two to Cincinnati, three to Norwood and 15 to Elmwood.
SERVICE DIRECTOR, Mr. Stegman – Absent.

TAX COMMISSIONER, Mr. Geiser – I placed in each Council members and the Administration boxes the month of May comparison reports showing the income provided by the Tax Dept.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE, Mr. Tobergte – The Finance Committee met Tuesday night and finished working on the County budget. We will go over the budget at next week’s COW.
The Cleanup St. Bernard Day will be Saturday, June 13th. We will meet behind City Hall at 9:00am. Thanks to St. Bernard Skyline for supplying hot dogs and buns that I will be grilling out and JuJu Beans for supplying coffee. I will supply the drinks again.

SAFETY, Mr. Culbertson – The next Block Watch meeting will be Tuesday, June 16th at 6:30pm in the lower level of City Hall.
I also have the Police Dept. report for May, 2015. During the month of May, officers were involved in 794 calls for service. Of those calls, officers responded to 31 accident reports and took 40 offense reports. Officers cleared a total of 24 offenses. Officers made 65 misdemeanor arrests and 4 felony arrests. Officers responded to 55 parking complaints and issued 53 citations for parking violations. Officers issued 28 traffic citations, 1 DUI arrest and 36 traffic warnings. Officers responded to 98 calls for suspicious activity, vehicles or person.

SERVICE, Mr. Asbach – No report.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, Mrs. Schildmeyer – I would like to be put on COW to discuss pool rules.

LAWS, CONTRACTS AND CLAIMS, Mrs. Bedinghaus – No report.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, Mr. Kalb – No report.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION, Ms. Hausfeld – Tonight I have the May, 2015 daily bus passengers for the Dial-A-Ride. Hourly totals was 1,246. Total to date is 6,385.

Mr. Asbach – The COW report has been submitted to the Clerk.

Committee of the Whole
May 28, 2015

1. Council approved the minutes of the May 21st Council meeting.

2. Auditor, Peggy Brickweg
   a. Said she was putting in the info for the summer workers.
   b. Said she was working on the 2016 budget.

3. Service Director, Phil Stegman
   a. Reported that the new black garbage cans, for trash only, should be delivered next week. They, as well as the green recycling cans, will be sold for $50.00.
b. Said that the crews to do the repairs on the sidewalks will be here in the next couple of weeks and will not leave until the work is complete.
c. Reported that three motors went out at the pool this past weekend. They will all be repaired by the time the pool opens for the season.

4. Treasurer, John Ungrhue
   a. Reported that the 4th of July fund was at $5,623.98.

5. Finance, Don Tobergte
   a. Said that the committee met tonight to begin working on the 2016 budget. The committee will meet again next Tuesday June 2nd at 6 PM in Council chambers.
   b. Gave Council a picture of an electric box that was painted to improve the look of the box. This matter was placed into the Business & Industry committee to be looked into.
   c. Congratulated the Roger Bacon men’s volleyball team on making it to the State finals this weekend.
   d. Made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss employee compensation at the end of the meeting. Council voted 7-0 to go into Executive Session.

6. Safety, Ray Culbertson
   a. Reported that the next Block Watch meeting will be Tuesday June 16th at 6:30 pm in the lower level of City Hall.

7. Business & Industry, Andy Kalb
   a. Thanked Phil for fixing a problem that a resident had with their sidewalk.

8. A resident asked if there was a place closer than the Friars Club that kids would have a place to go and do things. Mr. Kalb was going to get with them and report back to the resident.

9. Council met in Executive Session to discuss employee compensation.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Asbach
President of Council, Pro-Tem

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Tobergte – I make a motion to go into Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss employee compensation.

Mr. Asbach – I second that Mr. President.

Motion passed 7-0.

Mrs. Bedinghaus – If we’re going to discuss pool rules next week is there a document with all the pool rules listed that we can have so we could at least have them in front of us as we start to talk about them.

Mrs. Schildmeyer – I think I have something with me that I can make a copy of and give to everybody before they leave tonight.
Mrs. Bedinghaus – Yes, whatever they are I think that we should have a copy of them so we know what we’re discussing and all the rules.

Mrs. Schildmeyer – I will put that in everybody’s mailbox tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Tobergte – Since we’re discussing pool rules, and this is under Recreation, could we have one of our Recreation Directors here to, I mean this is really their job not ours.

Mrs. Schildmeyer – I can call Paul with his double knee replacement and see if he can find somebody in his committee to talk to us.

Mr. Walden – If I could be put on the COW docket for next week. I received a note from Chief Meyer. They have a compressor that is going out at the Fire House and they would like to redirect the money that was going to the self contained breathing equipment to the compressor and FEMA which was giving them that money had approved that amendment. I’ll be preparing an Ordinance to do that next week and that will be presented to Council at COW.

Mr. Tobergte – I also talked to Mr. Asbach earlier. Chief Moeller, with the fifth car being wrecked that we were going to keep, the good car, we’ll put that on the COW agenda to possibly buy the fifth new car instead of waiting.

AUDIENCE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Mike – Well I want to thank you for fixing up all the streets but I’ll tell you this, our streets were about 10 times worse than when they started. I want to thank you all for cleaning it up.

Mr. Asbach – The next COW meeting will be Thursday, June 11 at 7:00pm.

Council went into Executive Session to discuss employee compensation.

Motion by Ms. Hausfeld, seconded by Mrs. Schildmeyer to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0.