

ST. BERNARD VILLAGE COUNCIL
AUGUST 8, 2019

The regular meeting of the St. Bernard Village Council was held Thursday, August 8, 2019 in Council Chambers.

There was a moment of silence held for the sister-in-law of our Police Chief, Mike Simos, Carol Gentry, the son of our dispatcher, Tim Cottingham, Scott Bruce, and John DeSotelle's mother has a medical situation and we would like to keep her in our prayers.

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

Roll call showed that all members were present: Mr. Tobergte, Mr. Bob Culbertson, Mr. Burkhardt, Mrs. Bedinghaus, Dr. Chastain, Mr. Ray Culbertson and Mr. Siefert.

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

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

MAYOR, Mr. Estep – Just two things; first the Ross Park once in a lifetime event, I believe, went very well. Four hundred volunteers, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Procter and Gamble, several other large companies. It just went better than I thought it would turn out. Everybody that showed up was very impressed with the final product down there. It's just going to be a nice thing for generations to come, whether you're a Knothole player or high school baseball, or an adult who plays softball, a walking track for those who don't participate in hardball or whatever. Just the entire venue, I mean, it should be one of the nicest places for anybody to play ball down there.

The other great thing was the Luau! A lot of positive feedback. The Luau was great, food was great, I heard the beer was cold. The weather couldn't have been any better. A lot of positive feedback from a lot of people and I commend everybody on that committee. It really turned out great. The questions that I was asked was, "are they going to have it next year?" I said I don't see why they wouldn't. I don't think it could have turned out any better.

AUDITOR, Mrs. Brickweg – I provided the July revenue and expense spreadsheets and cash fund report accounts to Council and Administration. The revenues for July were \$6,507,563.79 and the expenses were \$7,370,544.45. Compared to July of 2018, the revenue is down \$1,419,437.81 and the expenses are up \$452,334.05. Year to date the Village has spent \$862,980.66 more than it has brought in.

The Auditor's office prepared two Ordinances for tonight's meeting. Ordinance No. 14, 2019 provides \$10,000.00 in an additional appropriation to General Fund A-A-2, the Safety Center Maintenance and \$10,000.00 to General Fund 58-19 for the Event. This will allow the Auditor's office to pay the invoices from the Luau revenue that were deposited into the Event.

Ordinance No. 16, 2019 is \$50,000.00 from General Fund 6-A-1, Police, into General Fund, 6-A-1-A, Police Overtime.

As many of you saw firsthand, the St. Bernard Luau was a great success. We were very blessed with great weather and the gathering of great friends. The Luau finances are very close to being finalized. We are still waiting on a few credits from the vendors. The revenues for the Luau, including the sponsorship was \$45,324.00 and the expenses were \$36,862.31 leaving a balance of \$8,461.59. I don't believe there is a price you can put on the great time the residents and former residents had at this event. I cannot thank enough Jonathan Stuchell, Chris Sauer, Kevin Geraci, Paul Schildmeyer, Alan Siefert, Kelly Chastain, Mike Wiedmann, Brian Young, Mike Simos and the three departments. In addition to the many others that made this Luau a success. Without all the help this event could never had been such a huge success.

DIRECTOR OF LAW, Mr. Peck – Absent.

TREASURER, Mr. Ungruhe – This evening I show \$3,510,074.26 and we had a withdrawal of \$500,000.00.

SAFETY DIRECTOR, Mr. Stuchell – I have the monthly report for July for the St. Bernard Fire Department: Fire incidents; 7 structure fires, 2 other fires, 2 vehicle fires, 9 auto accidents, 1 hazmat incidents, 24 service calls, 14 fire alarms, and 10 TMS assists. Mutual aid given; 3 to Norwood, 2 to Elmwood, 3 to Little Miami, 1 to Lockland, 1 to Springfield Twp., 1 to Green Twp. Mutual aid received; 1 from Elmwood Place and 1 from Cincinnati.

EMS incidents; 71 transports and 44 non-transports. Details of interest; 3 non-breathers, 3 unconscious, 13 auto accidents. Mutual aid given; 30 to Elmwood Place, 2 to Cincinnati, 2 Springfield Twp., and 1 to Lockland. Mutual aid received; 2 from Norwood, 1 from Lockland and 1 from Green Twp.

All units participated in Active Shooter Training with Norwood FD. They also hosted Cincinnati, Elmwood Place and Little Miami for Flow Path Training. As you are aware, we are making more EMS runs to Elmwood Place which needs to be addressed. Little Miami Joint Fire District is having the same issue as well since the majority of the runs when dispatched for ALS or when the Elmwood Place station is not staffed is being absorbed by SBF and Little Miami. I had to deal with this once before early in my term as Safety Director so I am going to be working with the Chief, the Law Director, the Auditor, and the Finance Chair to try to come up with an equitable solution. Our mutual aid agreement with Hamilton County requires us to respond when their squad is on another run but we need to research our obligation to respond to provide a level of service that their department is not able to provide which is being researched by the Law Director. The mutual aid agreement does not address EMS billing and suggests that it should be handled by individual agreement between jurisdictional parties where needed. We will be reporting back as this evolves.

Also, with respect to the transfer of funds for Police overtime, just so you are aware, had not been because of a frivolous use of overtime, just so everyone is aware we do have regular police details at the Friars Club. Also, we have regular details for the Wiedmann boxing event so, all those funds that are made payable to the Village don't get redirected back to the overtime line item. So, it has been exhausted. Not because there haven't been some times where we were short before we got up to full staffing, but again just explaining, if you need the Chief to speak on this, he would be glad to.

Also, there was a request by Mr. Bob Culbertson to bring the plans for Skyline for anyone that wishes to see how that project is coming, just so you are aware I have the plans back on the table over here so, anyone who wants to see the renderings for the outside of the interior layout, you're welcome to look at that and if you have any questions I would be glad to answer them

SERVICE DIRECTOR, Mr. Paul – As you may or may not have noticed another light pole and tree have been taken out along chili, “time travel” bend on Vine St. Makes me feel good about my decision not to put an expensive item there. Fuel line item #2-O-16 will more than likely need to be addressed. As of today, we have used \$40,000.00 out of \$60,000.00 granted by Council. In my opinion, it is imperative that you use some of the trash fee to purchase the next new packer this year. The trash fee was voted on and passed to keep our service solvent. The new packer would help tremendously. Ordinance No. 15, 2019 is before you tonight. Please pass it.

The past two weeks have been spirit lifting. All that has happened was nearly miraculous. You would have thought that our Service Department was back at 28

employees. But no, we were a mere 13, with lots of man hours. I believe we took them to their limits. I proudly state to the Service Department, job well done, and I am sorry that there are not a few more of you. Also, congratulating you were the red shirts from the big organizations. They were amazed that there were no complaints of having to help and you went out of your way to be even more helpful to them without being asked. They wanted me to pass that on to Council. Then to Council, they wanted to express their thanks for your help and generosity and the wonderful caring you have for your residents. Finally, they wanted to express their gratitude to all the Villagers that volunteered and came to help. Several of the volunteers from the organizations stated that his was by far one of the prettiest renovations they have done to date.

My mind turns when I look over the renovations that will need attention. We may need help. Perhaps if you were blessed with the gift of green thumb, you might donate a moment for a weed or two. It was brought to my attention that maybe some wine and weeding sessions might occur. Tell me that doesn't bring a smile to your face. The work will continue until completion. The pace a little slower now. Remember they have Bellevue to dedicate next week. We have not been given up on.

I am looking into security for the Village. Already there has been an attempt to vandalize home plate. An officer was on hand to prevent it. Cameras will help with our parks and the buildings. There are too many keys floating around. I would like to have keyless entry to control entrance into our buildings. I am researching all avenues. We have to do something and of course this will be another expense. Surveillance is not cheap.

To My Community

I would like you to reflect on togetherness. This past week was nothing short of pure people power. This togetherness works with no limitations. From a couple, such as a family, friends, to many individuals as in volunteers and organizations. Set your goals or finish lines, convince your group of the possibilities, then come together and move forward with a positive outlook. Good things will happen.

TAX COMMISSIONER/ADMINISTRATOR, Mr. Moore – I put the July figures in your mailboxes. If you have any questions, let me know, I'll be glad to answer.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE, Mr. Tobergte – Chief Simos will be attending the next COW meeting to discuss the cruisers.

I want to thank Mr. Paul and Mr. Schildmeyer for their work on the Frank Robinson Field project.

Also, thanks to the St. Bernard German Luau Committee for their work on the St. Bernard German Luau.

The Police and Fire Steak Fry will be held in Vine St. Park, September 13 from 4:00 until 7:00. The cost for dinner is \$20.00

I have reserved the main level of the Municipal Building on Thursday, September 19 for a meet the candidate night. This will start at 7:00pm. All Council candidates along with School Board Candidates will be invited.

I would like to thank Doug Roll for his 33 years of service to the Village.

SAFETY, Mr. Ray Culbertson – The next Block Watch meeting will be Thursday, August 15 at 6:30pm in the Safety Center.

I have the Police Department report for July: there were 2 DUI, 6 noise complaints, 44 parking complaints, 22 suspicious people complaints, 28 suspicious vehicle complaints, 13 thefts from vehicles, 36 traffic violations and 33 traffic warnings.

I, too, would like to thank Alan Siefert, John and Betsey Newberry, Paul Schildmeyer, Peggy Brickweg, Jonathan Stuchell, Keith Geraci and Chris Sauer for all their hard work they put in for the German Luau and help make that a big success.

Also, congratulations to Doug Roll on his retirement from the Police Department.

SERVICE, Mr. Siefert – I have the Service Department report for July, 2019; there were 23 trucks placed at residences, 25 dumpsters placed at residences, 263 special puck-ups at residences and 194.68 tons of garbage taken to the landfill. For recycling; 28.91 tons of recycling material and 5,250 pounds of scrap metal.

I also received the Waste Collection Fees from Cincinnati Water Works. For the month of June, 2019 the Village will receive \$25,452.93.

What an amazing weekend for St. Bernard beginning with the dedication of Frank Robinson Field at Ross Park, the Procter & Gamble Community Makeover, and culminating with the three fantastic days of the German Luau after a 35 year hiatus. There was excellent media coverage of the event as Local 12 was there Friday night to capture the ceremonial keg tapping that kicked off the Luau. Cincinnati.com and WCPO.com had the Luau as one of the top things to do in Cincinnati this weekend. We were also featured on citybeat.com. For weeks I told folks to pre-order your German Luau Power Packs, those that didn't find out that the Luau beer steins sold out by 7:15 Friday night and the famous Luau beer buckets sold out by 8:00pm on Friday night. Count yourself lucky if you got one! Here are some interesting Luau notes by the numbers. We had over \$8,500.00 returned to the Village Recreation Department as profit. There was 312 pounds of pork roasted and served. Almost \$8,000.00 was provided to local non-profits via revenue sharing agreements. 12 total local businesses and non-profits participated

in the event. 33 half barrels of beer, 479 glasses of wine and cocktails, and 3,548 cans of beer were sold.

I want to thank all guests, residents, past and present, for your attendance. Given the layout of the event there was no accurate way to measure attendance, however through the distribution of beer bracelets and ride bracelets, we've estimated the weekend attendance to be 2,180 with actual numbers being much higher. I've had the fortune to work with a wonderful committee that has a love of our Village and shared the same vision for the Luau. Ever since our first meeting almost a year ago, we hit the ground running and never looked back. It's been a fantastic journey to work along-side these folks to bring the nostalgia of the Luau back to our Village. I'd like to recognize and give a BIG thank you to my fellow committee members. Peggy, Kelly Chastain, Keith Geraci, Betsy & Jon Newberry, Chris Sauer, Paul Schildmeyer & Jonathan Stuchell.

Special thanks to Police Chief Mike Simos, Fire Chief Brian Young and their crew for providing a safe and secure festival for our residents and guests, as there were no arrests made during the event and very few incidents requiring officer involvement. I'd like to thank Heidi and Ray Culbertson for security and clean up Saturday night. I'd like to thank our sponsors; Wiedemann Brewery, St. Bernard Pub, Wyoming Air and Cinfed Credit Union, plus all of the other Recreation sponsors.

And finally, a HUGE thanks to Mike Wiedemann, Ed Kallmeyer, Don Middendorf and the Service Department for going over and above the call of duty these past few days. Thanks again for everyone's help in making the 2019 St. Bernard German Luau a tremendous success.

There are definitely lessons to be learned as well as adjustments to be made as we plan for next year's Luau. The Luau Committee would love to hear your input and how to make it better for next year. There is a link at the top of the Village webpage called, News. Click on that link and it will take you to the St. Bernard German Luau Feedback Survey. Please fill out the survey with your comments and suggestions.

Planning for next year's German Luau is right around the corner. If you would like to volunteer your time to be on the German Luau Committee, which involves, planning as well as working before, during and after the Luau and even getting your hands a little dirty please email me at ward1@cityofstbernard.org.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, Mr. Bob Culbertson – The next CIC meeting is on August 20 in the lower level.

Just a big shout out to everybody involved over this last month. It really made me proud to be a part of this community.

The Luau was a big success, the dedication of the park was a big success. Let's not forget the Fresh Market was a big success. I know a lot of people are looking forward to the next Fresh Market.

This brought the community together and it really showcased why people want to move to St. Bernard and it's hard to find a house in St. Bernard during these times. I've also reached out to the City of Glendale and I'm waiting to hear back from them because I believe the Auditor mentioned they painted some squirrels and did some things, so I was kind of looking at going that way for the dogs around the Village. I'm looking to get calls about how they went about that. So, when I get more information, I will bring that to the next COW meeting.

LAWS, CONTRACTS AND CLAIMS, Mrs. Bedinghaus – The Laws, Contracts and Claims Committee did meet tonight. Just a little bit of background since it's been a little while since we did meet. The Laws, Contracts and Claims came back together to discuss again if there would be a non-discriminatory Ordinance that would be part of our Village Ordinances. That would include the LGBTQ community. Mike Peck was going to be here but he had an event today that he forgot about and had to go to. I just want to read a little bit of what he said and then we will be having another meeting. Where we had left off when we last met relative to the Civil Rights Ordinance, wondering if we could partner with the City of Cincinnati in the enforcement of such an Ordinance. I did have a discussion with a lawyer for the City of Cincinnati's Law Office and I can say that there is no interest on their part in partnering with us to enforce this. That is to combine with the help for a committee or a council. I came away with the impression that there is no interest regionally as well. If we want to pass this Ordinance we will be on our own in enforcing it through a committee or commission. I will note that this Ordinance will be the first time the Village would be entering into the Civil Rights arena with has thus far been left to the State and Federal government. If the Committee has any further questions, please let me know. This did raise more questions from the committee members as well as audience and we have decided that we are going to have another meeting and I will call Mike Peck and make sure that he can be at that meeting because we do need him here for questions. Again, I want to thank everybody for everything over the last couple of months with St. Bernard, it has really been great from the Luau, the baseball field, the Fresh Market. It really makes me feel good that I still live in St. Bernard.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, Mr. Burkhatdt – I have no report under Business and Industry but I too would like to thank everyone for their dedication to St. Bernard with the Fresh Market, the Ross dedication and the Luau. The Luau was

amazing. I saw people I hadn't seen in 30 years down there and that was really cool, it was like a reunion. I just want to thank everybody for their hard work.

MARKETING, Dr. Chastain – I'll try not to echo too much, but it's hard not to. The last month has been amazing. Fresh Market and the Ross dedication and the Luau. I guess I'll speak to the residents because what a huge part they played in everything. With the Fresh Market, Jennifer Rutherford basically recruited her whole family and they were doing different parts of the job. Lala Helton was amazing with the advertising. Keith Geraci driving around on a mule carrying things. Chris Sauer carrying some light posts. So, I think that sometimes the expectations that we all have the residents were all over this. The Fire Chief was not in uniform, I saw him carrying things. The Police Chief was not in uniform and I saw him carrying things so, Alan, I saw him one time carrying a garbage bag and then the next time I saw him carrying a camera. So, what a huge input. Heidi and Marissa Culbertson. Residents keep doing that. It was an awesome month so, thanks to the Service Department and talk about carrying things, they were operating heavy equipment, carrying huge chunks of concrete. So, above and beyond. I could go on but thanks to everybody for that, it's just been amazing.

Committee of the Whole
July 25, 2019

Roll call showed that six members were present: Mr. Tobergte, Mr. Bob Culbertson, Mrs. Bedinghaus, Dr. Chastain, Mr. Ray Culbertson and Mr. Siefert. Mr. Burkhardt was absent.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to approve the written minutes of the July 11, 2019 Council meeting
Mayor, Mr. Estep – Thanked the St. Bernard Fire Department for showing up at Franklin Park to help with the refurbishing. Also thanked Bobby Hausfeld and Bill Burkhardt for their help. The Park is getting closer and closer to being finished.

Auditor, Mrs. Brickweg – Gave Council an update. The \$500,000.00 was cashed in and put into the General Fund.

Jake Johnson started on Tuesday and is doing very well.

The Professional Services line item will be monitored closely. Most of the audit is finished. We will probably know if it will last the rest of the year by October.

Law Director, Mr. Peck – Was asked about his Professional Services line item and reported he was hopeful he wouldn't need anything from it.

Safety Director, Mr. Stuchell – Just to give you an update on the shopping center, the CIC has granted a 45 day extension to the developer. The original plans for a closing to be scheduled for August 6. There is no need to be worried; we are still on track for this to be finalized.

I also have a reminder about the road closures during the German Luau. From early Saturday morning through cleanup Sunday evening. Vine Street will be closed from Washington to just in front of the entrance to Wendy's. All southbound traffic on Vine will be detoured to Tower Avenue to Washington and then Vine. All north bound traffic will be detoured to Washington to Tower and then to Ross. McClelland will also be closed from Girl Scout Lane and Bank will be closed at the entrance to the shopping center. Residents needing access can use the Vine entrance to the shopping center to pick up Bank or go around the south side of the building to pick up Andrew. I have been assured that all emergency vehicles will still have the same accessibility should there be a needed response. Friday night, Washington will be closed from Vine to the entrance of the School Board Office.

Service Director, Mr. Paul – The dedication ceremony for Frank Robinson Field is Thursday, August 1 at 12:30pm. All are welcome.

Delmar project is completed.

Thanked Don Tobergte for removing a stump so quickly.

Line item A-A-2, Safety Center, had an overhead door repaired for \$837.60. Then the AC system went out and was cleaned and maintained for \$1028.00 so that line item is depleted. Now the compressor is bad and that's \$3911.32.

Recommendation is to put \$10,000.00 into that line item, A-A-2, for the maintenance of that building.

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to put an Ordinance on the table for additional appropriations of \$10,000.00 for Safety Center building maintenance. Motion passed 6-0.

Would like to order the new packer so it will be here by the end of the year. The cost would be \$164,635.83 with a trade in of \$6,000.00 to \$10,000.00. With this new packer we should be set for 7 years. The newly promoted have done a great job repairing the 12 year old packers and probably saved \$3,000.00.

Questions concerning the financing of the packer were raised and how many packers the Village owns and their usage and their age. There was a recommendation to purchase the packer while we can.

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to have the Service Director order a new packer. Motion passed 6-0.

Tax Commissioner/Administrator, Mr. Moore – July figures will be prepared for Council by the next Council meeting.

Finance, Mr. Tobergte – Thanked Chief Simos and Chief Young for their help during last week's cooling at the Safety Center.

Safety, Mr. Ray Culbertson – Thanked Tom Paul and Paul Schildmeyer for all the work they put into the Reds project.

Service, Mr. Siefert – Reminded all residents to mark their calendars for the return of the historic German Luau Friday, August 2 from 6:00pm until 11:00pm on Washington, Saturday, August 3 from 1:00 until 11:00pm and Sunday, August 4 from 1:00pm until 9:00pm., both Saturday and Sunday on Vine St.

The presale of the limited edition German Luau Power Pack, which includes a 2019 German Luau t-shirt, beer mug and beer bucket for \$40.00 cash will take place this Monday, July 29, Tuesday, July 30, and Wednesday, July 31 from 6:30 until 7:30pm at the recreation office.

The next German Luau meeting will be Tuesday, July 30 at 7:00pm in the lower level of City Hall. All are welcome.

All expenses for the set-up etc. have been tracked.

Public Improvements, Mr. Bob Culbertson – The next CIC meeting will be August 20 in the lower level at City Hall at 6:00pm. Some residents have requested to see the new design for the new Skyline project at the shopping center. They will be available at the next CIC meeting and the next Council meeting.

They are on track to open around Thanksgiving.

Laws, Contracts and Claims, Mrs. Bedinghaus – At the August 8 Council meeting, prior to that at 6:30pm, there will be a Laws, Contracts and Claims meeting where we will discuss the potential to have the discrimination Ordinance that was brought up a while ago.

Marketing, Dr. Chastain – The St. Bernard Fresh Market was a huge success. Everything sold out within the first hour, except the hot peppers, understandable. Vendors had a great day. Hopefully this event will continue. It can only grow. We want to be a buying community because that is a great attraction for large scale

growers. The next market is Saturday, September 21 from 9:00am until 1:00pm. New vendor and food trucks will be available.

Audience Participation:

A reminder to the City Hall employees that the lower parking lot will be closed starting Monday in preparation for the Luau.

Thanked the Service Department for support and service at Franklin Park.

The Service Department was also thanked for extending the yellow lines at Greenlee.

Ordinances for the next Council meeting.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 12, 2019.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 13, 2019.

An Ordinance for additional appropriations for the maintenance of the Safety Center.

An Ordinance for the purchase of a new packer.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghau, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to excuse the absent member. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Ray Culbertson, seconded by Dr. Chastain to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Members of Council,

Watching the minutes on television brought some things to mind.

When we purchased our home some 40 + years ago we searched neighborhoods for a good school system and other amenities. We came to the conclusion St. Bernard was the best because it had all the qualities we wanted.

If you told someone you lived in St. Bernard they said how lucky we were to find a home in such a great neighborhood.

If you tell them now they say, oh! You must be unhappy to lose all of the good things you once had, no Dial-A-Ride, charge for garbage pick-up, no garbage set out, no garbage bags, very few places to shop, empty lots.

As was stated, we are doing just like other neighborhoods are doing. We were always one step ahead of everyone else. What do we have to do to draw new people to our town. All of the above mentioned things are gone.

We probably have the same as or close to the amount of people. How did we get into such a financial hole?

I know from watching the minutes there usually are not very many people in the stands. Maybe they feel a trip there for a 30 min., and no report meeting isn't worth it. Surely there is or should be more going on than reports that are submitted.

On a lighter note, kudos to the gentlemen who take the time to wear a jacket and tie to Council meetings. It looks professional.

Sincerely,

Jacaqueline Williams
4342 Tower Ave.

REMARKS

Motion by Mr. Burkhardt, seconded by Mr. Bob Culbertson to receive and file the communication. Motion passed 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Mr. Asbach – Before I entertain a motion to read this evening's Ordinances by title only, is there a motion to put Ordinance No. 16, 2019 on the table since it was not discussed at COW?

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to put Ordinance No. 16, 2019 on the table tonight. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded to Mr. Burkhardt to read this evening's Resolutions and Ordinances by title only. motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Asbach – Clerk would we please have the second reading of Ordinance No. 12, 2019.

ORDINANCE NO. 12, 2019. FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE FITNESS CENTER PART-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD WHO STARTED IN THE POSITION PRIOR TO 1/1/2005 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to suspend with the third reading of Ordinance No. 12, 2019.

REMARKS

Mrs. Bedinghaus – Requested more information about more part-time people and when the last time they had a raise. She would like to put it in the budget committee and talk about it more. She will be voting no.

Mr. Burkhardt – Thinks these raises should be looked at when the budget is discussed at the end of the year. Agrees with Mrs. Bedinghaus. Also, thinks it should be a percentage raise instead of a dollar amount.

Mr. Tobergte – Formerly stated he was against this Ordinance and agrees with Mrs. Bedinghaus and Mr. Burkhardt.

Audience – Suggested looking at all part-time employees' wages to determine if they are equitable as some employees may need more than a dollar raise. They're living situations could differ.

The motion to suspend the third reading failed 4-3. Mr. Bob Culbertson, Mr. Burkhardt, Mrs. Bedinghaus and Dr. Chastain voted no. Ordinance No. 12, will have its third reading at the next Council meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 13, 2019. FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE FITNESS CENTER PART-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD WHOSE FIRST DATE OF SERVICE IS AFTER 12/1/2012, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Burkhardt to suspend with the third reading of Ordinance No. 13, 2019.

REMARKS

Mr. Tobergte – Feels the same about this Ordinance as the last one.

The motion to suspend passed 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Burkhardt to adopt Ordinance No. 13, 2019 as read. Motion failed 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 14, 2019. AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 14, 2019.

REMARKS

Mr. Tobergte – Just to let the residents know the \$10,000.00 for the Safety Center is for the air conditioning unit down there.

The motion to suspend passed 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Dr. Chastain to adopt Ordinance No. 14, 2019 as read. Motion passed 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 15, 2019. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHEASTERN EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) GARBAGE PACKER AND CHASSIS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Tobergte to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 15, 2019. Motion passed 7-0.

REMARKS

Mrs. Bedinghaus – Feels this purchase should wait until budget time and will be voting no.

Mr. Tobergte – Feels, even though the budget doesn't look too good, the packer is needed.

Mr. Burkhardt – Would like to wait until closer to the end of the year to decide how the budget is going and will be voting no.

Audience – Hopes Council will consider buying the packer as the garbage fees that have been collected could be used for this much needed piece of equipment. It will benefit all residents. Also, explained the condition and usage of the old packer.

Dr. Chastain – Expressed he thought Council should give the Service Department the equipment necessary to do their job.

Mr. Burkhardt – Reiterated wanting to wait until the end of the year before the appropriation for the packer. Also, is concerned about the purchase of new cruisers for the Police Department.

Mr. Tobergte – Said the Chief is only looking at maybe one or two cruisers a year.

Mr. Bob Culbertson – Reminded Council of other major purchases (fire truck, etc) that were to be considered and would like to have input from these departments.

Mr. Siefert – Asked Peggy if she was comfortable with this purchase

Mrs. Brickweg – Said that the State Auditor was making sure the collection fee was not spent for any other items. Asked Council to look at the five year projected budget from the departments.

Mr. Tobergte – The fire truck (inaudible)

Mr. Bob Culbertson – Stated that it was just a dream to think we could get a packer, a fire truck and police cruisers all in the same year.

Mr. Ray Culbertson – Stated he thinks the Service Department needs this equipment to do their job so he will support it.

Mrs. Brickweg – Asked about whether there was 0% financing on this type of purchase.

Mr. Paul – Believed, yes there was. Would have to get paperwork out to make sure.

Mr. Burkhardt – Suggested the Ordinance take its regular course to see if Mr. Paul could come up with the 0% financing.

Mrs. Bedinghaus – Would like that also.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Tobergte to adopt Ordinance No. 15, 2019 as read. Motion failed 2-5. Mr. Bob Culbertson, Mr. Burkhardt, Mrs. Bedinghaus, Dr. Chastain and Mr. Ray Culbertson voted no. Ordinance No. 15, 2019 will take its regular course.

ORDINANCE NO. 16, 2019. AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR (TO PROVIDE) TO MOVE APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to amend Ordinance No. 16, 2019 to read “to move” and delete “to provide”. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Burkhardt to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 16, 2019.

Motion by Mr. Burkhardt, seconded by Mr. Bob Culbertson to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 16, 2019 as amended.

REMARKS

Mr. Tobergte – Questioned whether an officer doing special duty if he gets paid overtime, regular rate or what?

Chief Simos – Explained they either get overtime pay, rare, or they get bank or comp time.

Mr. Tobergte – Ask what we charge the people?

Chief Simos – We charge \$45.00 per hour unless it's a school then the rate is \$30.00.

Mr. Tobergte – It costs the Village \$30.00 or \$40.00 to have a guy sit there on an off duty?

Chief Simos - \$45.00 is not for the newer officers. But, yes on a school detail it does take a hit on that.

Mr. Tobergte – Would rather do what Cincinnati does. Explained that would not cause a double hit on this.

Mr. Bob Culbertson – Do we charge the schools or is that provided as a service?

Chief Simos – We invoice the schools and then they pay the Village. The Friars, the boxing event that type of entity is invoiced separately and then they write a check to the Village. It is never put back into the overtime line item.

The motion to suspend passed 7-0.

Motion by Mrs. Bedinghaus, seconded by Mr. Ray Culbertson to adopt Ordinance No. 16, 2019 as amended. Motion passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Tobergte – Asked Mr. Stuhell about the low interest loans, rehab fund.

Mr. Stuchell – Stated that Mr. Stoker is working on that, checking the legality and if money can be re-appropriated after all areas as checked.

Mr. Paul – Asked Mr. Bob Culbertson to continue his research on the sprucing up of the dogs. There will be a sampling of the make-up of the dogs and will get the information to the woman who knows how to work with it. He would like to join him in his efforts.

Mrs. Brickweg – Requested they have personalities such as a Fire Dog, a Police Dog, a City Hall Dog, etc.

Mr. Paul – Would comply.

Mr. Stuchell – Asked what all had to be done to prime the dogs for a general overhauling.

Mr. Paul – Explained that was the reason for the samples to see what process is needed.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

AUDIENCE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None.

Mr. Asbach – The next COW meeting will be Thursday, August 22 at 7:00pm. The next Council meeting will be Thursday, September 12 at 7:00pm.

Motion by Mr. Ray Culbertson seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0.