

WESTERN RESERVE MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOCIATION

Monday, July 23, 2012

Daniel's Park

President Hennigan called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m., with the following **members present**:

LaVette Hennigan, President, City of Ashtabula
Lisa Benedetti, Vice President, City of Mayfield Heights
Rosie Hakola, Treasurer, Village of Grand River
Tiffany Mekeel, Secretary, Village of Middlefield
Mary Beth Betsa, Village of Mayfield
Lisa Stefaniak, Village of Timberlake
Janet Mulh, Village of Waite Hill
Jennifer Bell, City of Painesville
Jennell Dahlhausen, Village of Burton
Jean Buchak, City of Highland Heights
Shirley Fees, Retired, City of Painesville
Loretta Radebaugh, City of Willoughby
Special guest, 5 week old Hunter Mekeel ☺

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The May 14, 2012 meeting minutes were presented for approval. Ms. Benedetti moved, Mrs. Stefaniak seconded; motion APPROVED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Hakola presented the Treasurer's report. Thirty-one dollars (\$31) was received since the last report (\$1 from President Hennigan for name tag cost; \$30 for Patti Fisher membership). The following expenditures were reported:

\$119.56	Name Tag
\$ 35.75	Check Reorder
\$ 6.00	May and June bank fees

There are 2 - \$200 outstanding donation checks for the communities of Joplin and Tuscaloosa. The available Association balance as of June 30, 2012 totals \$1,254.43.

Treasurer Hakola asked if she should call Joplin. Joplin's city hall had no damage, but the community did, and our check was to be used for a Joplin clerk. In Tuscaloosa, there was no damage to the main building, 45 million dollars damage to the city, with the only loss being to the records storage.

President Hennigan asked if we still want to send the donations given the time lapse. Vice President Benedetti said the intent of the donations were to be used on a municipality structures, the clerk, or for general operations; and was to be sent directly to the clerk's office to be placed in the general or miscellaneous fund.

President Hennigan suggested that because it has been over one year since the storm and even more since the Association voted to send the donations to help out, and because Joplin had no damage, and because of the wide scope of Tuscaloosa's damage, that the donations be redirected to storm damage recently sustained in Cambridge, Ohio.

ACTION: Mrs. Mekeel moved, Ms. Radebaugh seconded to redirected the donations; motion APPROVED.

President Hennigan asked for a status update on the attempt of Treasurer Hakola, with the assistance of Mrs. Stefaniak, to secure an association tax I.D. number. Mrs. Stefaniak reported there to be no update at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vice President Benedetti reported on the Ohio Municipal Clerks Association (OMCA) response to member Cendroski's resolution, and our Association's petition in support of the resolution requesting support of the repeal of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) requirement that a Clerk maintain IIMC membership, by paying annual dues, in order to retain their Certified Municipal Clerk or Master Municipal Clerk accreditation, and retain the privilege of using said designations. The OMCA Board determined they should not pursue the repeal of this requirement.

OMCA President Tracey Wonner will send President Hennigan a letter of denoting their decision. Discussion of the topic pursued, and it was noted that Mrs. Cendroski plans not to renew or use the designation, for it is part of a moral decision of protest. If she pays her dues her privilege to use her certified designation would be immediately reinstated without further action required.

Treasurer Mekeel needs a copy of the CMC & MMC "How to" documents. Mrs. Stefaniak will email them to her.

NEW BUSINESS

President Hennigan announced there will be no meeting in August (which is customary), and the next meeting will be held in September.

A presentation from the Cleveland Red Cross may be next month's meeting guest.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Treasurer Hakola distributed resolution and ordinance samples to use as reference material, which President Hennigan had previously provided association members.

ADJOURNMENT

President Hennigan adjourned the meeting at 1:24 p.m.

Scribe: Lisa Stefaniak, Village of Timberlake.

September 24, 2012

Date Approved

LaVette E. Hennigan
LaVette Hennigan, MMC, President

Lisa Stefaniak
Lisa Stefaniak, Acting Secretary