

**SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2014**

The Safety Committee meeting was held on November 18, 2014, at North Royalton City Hall, 13834 Ridge Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Dan Langshaw, Vice Chair Steve Muller, Gary Petrusky; Council: Larry Antoskiewicz; John Nickell, Dan Kasaris, Paul Marnecheck; Administration: Mayor Robert Stefanik, Fire Chief Robert Chegan, Safety Director Bruce Campbell, Police Chief John Elek, Finance Director Eric Dean, Community Development Director Thomas Jordan, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, Building Commissioner Dan Kulchytsky.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Muller, seconded by Mr. Langshaw to **approve the October 21, 2014 minutes as received.**
Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Oil and gas appeal update**

Mayor Stefanik said that there is no new information at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Regional Deer Control**

Mr. Langshaw asked for an update on this issue. Mayor Stefanik said that he will be meeting with the Mayors and Managers Association on December 4, 2014 and this will be a topic of discussion at that meeting. He said that the association has sent a letter to the ODNR in Columbus. He said that they are still working on getting a Resolution passed by the Mayors and Managers Association. He said that Mayor DeGeeter from Parma has reached out to the head of the ODNR to speak to the association. He said that he will advise as information is received. Mr. Langshaw said that this committee fully supports the efforts being made. Mr. Kasaris said that he sent an email to the Safety Director and Chief Elek asking for statistics relating to the deer population for 2014 to be gathered and discussed at a future meeting, possibly as early as January.

2. **Handicap Parking at new City Hall**

Regarding the handicapped parking at the new City Hall, Mr. Kasaris asked if we need to have signage on poles as well as painting on the asphalt designating the spots. Mr. Jordan said that the poles and handicapped parking signs have yet to be installed but they are coming.

3. **Wildlife Conference**

Safety Director Bruce Campbell said that he attended the Ohio Community Wildlife Cooperative on November 13, 2014 sponsored by Ohio State University. They had a variety of topics regarding wildlife. He said that he attended a presentation by Wildlife Services out of Colorado regarding deer contraception. The current product on the market is called Gonacon, and is not practical because it requires a hand given immunization requiring the capture of the deer and three rounds of immunizations over the course of a year to become 100% effective. He said that this method only works with a closed population, where the animals are easily identified and accessed, and where lethal methods cannot be used. He said the immunizations are only \$75 for all three doses, but where the real cost comes in is in the capture of the animal, the consultation with wildlife biologists for a plan, and the submission of a proposal to State Fish and Wildlife. He said that the drug must be registered in the state and Gonacon is not registered in Ohio at this time. He said that there are studies being worked on to make this a medication that they can safely administer orally with bait.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Petrusky, seconded by Mr. Muller to **adjourn the November 18, 2014 meeting.** Yeas: 3.
Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.