

Health Education & Welfare Committee

Minutes of 10/9/2012

Attendees:

Natalie Wolf, Chair

Tom Muething, Committee member

J.K. Byar, Mayor

Josephine Rosenblum

Ronna Willis

Bill Doering, Council member

Tom Brown

Scot Lahrmer, Manager

Not Present: Ed Hattenbach, Committee Member

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wolf and the minutes of September 24, 2012 were unanimously approved.

Chairperson Wolf announced the annual conference of the Ohio Community Wildlife Cooperative on November 7th where one of the topics is deer management in Solon, Ohio

Mayor Byar asked why the committee was meeting at a time when member Ed Hattenbach could not attend. The Mayor was informed that the committee attempted to schedule a meeting on Oct. 1, 2, 9, 12, and 15th at 10 AM and 4 PM. Because it was already October and the Village needed to establish its deer management policy for the coming winter, it was important to present the policy to Council on the 15th. The committee therefor met with a quorum. However, no new information was presented.

With input from residents, the HEW committee determined that the proposed draft policy (at the time written as an Ordinance, but now presented as a Resolution) was the right direction for the Village to go with regard to deer management. It was suggested that managing Amberley Village's deer, would most likely also have the effect of reducing the impact of deer in surrounding jurisdictions.

Mayor Byar wanted it known that he thought the Village should target a certain number of deer to be ideal within the Village. (125).

Tom Muething moved to recommend the deer policy to Council. Motion passed. (Note: Mayor Byar stated that as ex-officio member of the committee that he was casting a "no" vote for Ed. There was no objection to this as it did not change the outcome of the vote).

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Wolf