

VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

OCTOBER 17,

2016

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on October 17, 2016 at 7:30 pm at the Village of Fort Recovery Council Meeting Room to conduct regular business.

Roll call was conducted with the following Council members **Present:** Erik Fiely, Cliff Wendel, Al Post, Dave Garman, Scott Pearson and Dave Bretz.

Also Present: Randy Diller, Erin Minor, Roberta Staugler, Neal Spencer, PG Jellison, Jared Laux and Nathan Rubbelke. **The Mayor led with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Reports to Council: Village Administrators report and September Police Stats & FINX Reports.

Minutes: Wendel made a motion to approve the October 3, 2016 minutes seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Chief Laux: Reported Westgerdes is working well. Having the additional officer allows police dept. to cover school hours.

Staugler: Presented Bank Reconciliation for approval.

Erin Minor: Ohio Public Works Commission: We submitted our application for OPWC “regular round” grant funds to Mercer County Engineer Jim Wiechart. He said it has been forwarded to District 13 Chair. We should receive a letter from District 13 before the end of the year to see if they recommended our application for approval. Jim W said he has never seen an application that was recommended by District 13 that was denied. If we get the grant, the funds will be used to complete the William Street Reconstruction Project. **NatureWorks:** We should be notified about our grant application in the coming weeks. **Capital Improvements Grant:** We received the contract today. We expect to present an ordinance at the next meeting to authorize Dave Kaup to sign. **Annexation Litigation:** The Settlement Agreement was recorded in the Mercer County Recorder’s Office and filed with the court. The Weitzel’s, Schultze’s, Thiens and Gibson Township have dismissed their appeal. The Annexation Petition has been withdrawn from the Board of Commissioners. We are in the process of annexing properties on State Route 49 and Sharpsburg Road. Once the Petitions are filed, it will take about four months until the annexations become effective. The only party that can object is the township. However, the township agreed not to object in the settlement agreement.

Randy Diller: Elm Street Reconstruction: All payments have been made. We have assessment paperwork to send out.

Lagoons: We have not seen the guys we hired to agitate our lagoons. We met with Ryan Lefeld on the final specs for the curtains. It will probably go out to bid in the next 3-4 weeks.

Recreational Trail: Trail has been cut in. They just finished installing the retaining wall beside the baby pool. The drainage work was done today. They are finishing up sidewalk work. They plan to blacktop on October 26th or 27th. They will fix issues on State Route 49 when they are here.

Sharpsburg Road Utility Extension: The final plans have been reviewed and bid opening will be on November 3rd. The contractor will have until June 2017 to complete the project.

Restroom Renovation: The footers have been poured. The walls will be done tomorrow and then the floor. We are moving as we can.

Committees: Planning Commission: We need to schedule a meeting for action on the pending annexations. **Tree Commission:** We have a Tree City Application to complete. **Research Committee:** We have a 5 year plan. We are waiting on comments from Department heads.

Finance: We need to meet before the next meeting to work on year end numbers. The next meeting will also have potential litigation presented for the tax department.

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FEMA: Randy and Erin will attend a Hazard Mitigation county wide planning meeting for Mercer County. All Council Members are invited to attend next Wednesday here in Council Chambers at 1:00 pm.

Farm Lease: The current lease is up for the 13 acres we own next to the lagoons. It is out for bid now for the next three year period. We will have the option to cancel the contract if necessary.

Business Enterprise Center: We have been making an annual donation of \$250. We recommend the center to new businesses. **Fiely made a motion to make a donation of \$250 to the Business Enterprise Center seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.**

Storm Tile Work: The plan is on hold. The bid came back in high at \$315-\$330,000. They are looking at other alternatives.

Upcoming Events: October 30th will be Trick or Treat for the Village from 4pm – 6pm. November 13th is Christmas Open House.

Council Member Reports: None

Council Reviewed Invoice #26394 to #26454 and Memo expenses and interdepartmental transfers. **Wendel made a motion to approve as presented seconded by Pearson. Vote all yes.**

Pearson made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Post. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Mayor Dave Kaup

Roberta Staugler