

VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

November 21,

2016

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on November 21, 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, Ed Gebert and Nathan Rubbelke. **The Mayor led with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Reports to Council: Village Administrators report; October Finance Reports & Police Stats. **Minutes:** Fiely made a motion to approve the November 7, 2016 minutes seconded by Post. Vote all yes.

Mayor discussed options for the Village Christmas Party with Council. It was the consensus to schedule a party for December 12th. The Mayor will also sponsor the Annual Village Christmas Home Decorating Contest on December 23rd.

Chief Laux asked if anyone had questions for the police dept. Jared and Erin then discussed submitting an application under the Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program for a police cruiser. This grant is to provide funding for police, fire, and EMS. There are \$10 million dollars available under this grant. The application deadline is January 6, 2017. Erin talked with the Mercer County Commissioners. They agreed to submit an application for an ambulance that would be used by the St. Henry EMS. Erin is currently waiting on a quote from the ambulance vendor. This grant is focused on collaborative projects. Applying for a police cruiser is not a collaborative project which leads her to believe that we do not stand a good chance of being funded but she feels that we should apply as we have nothing to lose. Jared compiled quotes for three different SUVs and a truck, including options for needed equipment on each. Council reviewed all four options considering cost and gas mileage on each vehicle. Replacement of the 2008 Trailblazer is scheduled for 2018, so if we are able to obtain the grant it would offset money that will need to be spent in the near future. Council decided to apply for funding to purchase a Dodge Ram with the Village offering a cash match of \$5,000 plus equipment cost. Erin has also informed Kim Day (Southwest Mercer Fire District Chief) of the grant. She asked him to get back with her by December 1st if the Fire Department is interested in applying for the grant also.

RESOLUTION 2016-35 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Garman. Vote all yes. Post made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

ORDINANCE 2016-15 AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTIES ABUTTING ELM STREET BETWEEN WIGGS AND MILLIGAN. Pearson made a motion to pass the ordinance on to the third reading seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 2016-17 AN ORDINANCE TO RE-APPOINT ERIN MINOR FOR A TWO YEAR TERM. Fiely made a motion to pass the ordinance on to the second reading seconded by Pearson. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 2016-18 AN ORDINANCE FIXING PAY SCHEDULES OF ALL SALARIED AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES. Pearson made a motion to pass the ordinance to the second reading seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Roberta Staugler: Two notices were received from the Ohio Department of Commerce-Division of Liquor Control. Thienman's Sports Bar & Grill has applied to transfer their liquor license to Brick Street Bar & Grill & Patio. Council had no objections to the transfer and instructed Staugler to sign the documents and return them to the Ohio Dept of Commerce-Division of Liquor Control.

October Bank Reconciliation was presented for approval.

Erin Minor: Nature Works Grant. We applied for a NatureWorks grant through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. We requested \$15,883 to install rubber safety surfacing around the fort playhouse and merry-go-round at Community Park and to purchase Expression Swings.

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We received the grant. The total project costs are estimated to be around \$40,000. The Village has requested \$20,000 from the Cooper Family Foundation. If approved, we will use the funds to complete the project.

Capital Budget Bill Grant: This grant is for the construction of tennis and basketball courts. Erin is waiting on ODNR to finalize the contract and hopes to have documents at the next Council meeting for authorization of signatures. We have placed a link on the Village Face Book page requesting input on four color options for the proposed courts. Erin also plans to attend a boy's and girls' basketball game to seek input from the community on the color of the courts as well as other park projects.

Sharpsburg Road Annexation: Erin filed the ordinance with the Mercer County Commissioners stating the services to be provided to the new annexed area. Minor expects the Commissioners to pass a resolution approving the petition tomorrow (November 22, 2016) and plans to pick up a copy of the record on Wednesday. This will begin the 60 day waiting period. Council can then pass an ordinance accepting the annexation and establishing the zoning classification of the territory; the ordinance will likely be presented to council at the February 6, 2017 meeting. If passed, the annexation would become effective thirty days thereafter.

State Route 49 Annexation: Randy is in the process of getting signatures on this petition and hopes to have completed soon.

Randy Diller Project updates: Recreational Trail: Tom's Construction is done for the season. We are in the process of installing the lighting. The light bases have been poured. We hope to have the lights put together and installed and the trail lit up in the next week. The striping on Milligan Street for a cross walk, as well as the seeding, will be done next spring.

Restroom Renovation: Construction is underway. Chuck Kaiser will begin laying the block in the next couple of weeks. Village employees will finish the inside of the restrooms over the winter.

Lagoons: The curtain project is out for bid. The bid opening will be December 1st at 11:00 AM. The engineer's estimate is \$156,000. Village employees will borrow a raft and install the equipment unless the cost is low enough to justify paying a contractor to install it. This project will be done late winter to early spring.

Water Department: We had a boil alert beginning this past Friday and ending around noon on Sunday. We noticed a small leak for about ten days. We dug up three service taps. It turned out to be an area where the pipe was hooked into the main. It settled and pulled apart. It was close to blowing. This required a boil alert until two tests came back negative for bacteria.

Budget: Randy is still waiting on final input from departments to put together a priority list.

OPWC: The district meeting is being held this week. We should find out soon if the Williams Street Reconstruction Project will be funded.

Poll Council: Wendel: Have we have received the Community Plan? Randy said it is in the process of being finalized by Lorri Kaup. Hope to have it soon. **Post:** Will the speed limit sign by the school be repaired soon? Randy said he has requested prices on new signs.

Council Reviewed Invoice #26498 to #26556, Memo expense 201654-201656 and interdepartmental transfers. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Pearson made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Fiely. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

Mayor Dave Kaup

Roberta Staugler