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Minutes of **VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL**

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held _____ July 1, _____ 20 19 _____

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on July 1, 2019 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, Luke Knapke, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson and Al Post.

Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, Erin Abels, Jared Laux, PG Jellison, Neal Spencer and Leslie Gartrel.

Reports to Council: VA Report, 2020 Budget

Minutes: Wendel made a motion to approve the June 17, 2019 minutes, which was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Poll Visitors: Nothing to report

Jared: Tomorrow we will have a cruiser for the Library Program behind FS diamond. We will be at the July 20th St Clair Run, National Night Out will be 7/21, Bible School is 7/23 and the Tractor Pulls the last weekend of July.

Staugler: We have the 2020 Budget for the second Reading, if there are no questions, we need a motion to pass it to the final reading. Post made a motion to pass to the final reading on July 15, 2019, seconded by Pearson. Vote all yes.

May Bank Reconciliation was also presented for approval.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION 2019-11 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2019 APPROPRIATIONS. PEARSON MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES SECONDED BY SCHMITZ. Vote all yes. FIELY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SECONDED BY POST. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION 2019-12 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$25,000 FROM GENERAL FUND TO SCMR FUND. PEARSON MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES SECONDED BY SCHMITZ. Vote all yes. FIELY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SECONDED BY KNAPKE. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION 2019-13 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$135,000 FROM GENERAL FUND TO SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND. PEARSON MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES SECONDED BY SCHMITZ. Vote all yes. POST MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SECONDED BY PEARSON. Vote all yes.

Diller: Projects: Diamond Grant: We are down to installation of lights and dirt work which will wait until fall. Lights will be worked on this month.

Broadway St: We received official notification that we were funded for a \$500,000 grant and a \$250,000 loan. We received the agreement which needs signed. We should know first part of August if the CDBG Funding is approved, after which we can move to bid the job.

Pavilion: The open house was held on June 23rd; it went well. We are open for business and it is being used. We are finalizing things to get bills paid. Pearson: How long out will we take reservations? Diller: We will currently do through 2020. Pearson: Is there cash left to do more to the pavilion? Diller: Final bills are coming in; they owe the village for tables and miscellaneous items at approximately \$33,000. There is approximately \$30-45,000 in the fund. The Foundation does not like to have funds sitting there not being used. We could potentially move it to another project. At this point we will sit on it for a while. I don't know if there could be a maintenance fund, could we add something or could we go to year-round

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rentals? Will it be necessary? We won't know until we go through a winter. All four rooms have their own heaters, where all the water is. The big room will be set as low as we can to keep it from freezing. We will set up rent thru the end of November and beginning the first of April. We did send thank you notes to the committee members; we will send notes to all non-village people. As far as we know, the committee's job is completed.

Nature work: The new fence is done around the pool; we just need to finish seeding. It is a nice improvement. The other grant is for signs, bleachers and shade structures. We have a lot of seeding to do when weather permits. Post: Is the scoreboard wireless? Diller: Yes, it is controlled wirelessly. FRYSO got it donated from Mercer Savings Bank. Post: Will we get a second scoreboard for diamond #2? Diller: Yes, it is a possibility, it is not hard to get sponsors for scoreboards.

The Village received a donation from the Community Foundation which was a little over \$40,000. This will be used to pay for the new sign at Fort Site Park and the Shade Structure there. The Park Board decided to add security system at Community Park. We can put the controls in the pavilion. We will need to get an internet system; the Police Department and Randy will be able to see the security video. We have a lot of nice stuff we want to protect it.

Casey's: Obviously they are pouring a lot of concrete which they should finish this week. Schmitz: Are they concreting the alley? Diller: Yes, both alleys. I have not heard anything on the TREX license.

Cemetery: There is a state law that included a snippet about cemetery rules, now every cemetery has to submit their rules and regulations to the state. The last full set of rules our Cemetery Board approved was in 1931. We have updated parts over the years. We are working on a new comprehensive set of rules and regs. Randy will have it at the Cemetery Board meeting next week to put final touches on it. We have to have to the state by July 18th. It will be put in drop box for council to review.

Property Casualty Insurance: We had a small increase of approximately \$1,100 which does include the addition of the Pavilion and two properties.

Cooper Farm: The annexation has been filed. The Cooper and J & M properties are now annexed into the village. We will be submitting plans to OEPA for the PTI on the utility extensions.

Resurfacing Project: We had the bid opening where we received two bids; from Wagner Paving and from Buehler Asphalt. They were both just slightly under the bid. Wagner was low on both bids at \$134,528. for the parking lot and for the alternate bid \$214,057. Buehler was \$136,336 and for the alternate \$221,360.75. Wagner was the lowest. We originally appropriated \$100,000 for the resurfacing project. This won't quite get it and with the aeration project we decided we should do the base bid and put Sharpsburg Road on the list for next year. We thought by throwing Sharpsburg in the alternate would come back lower. They took the base bid and moved it to the alternate. They did not give us any breaks. Diller recommend Council award the base bid to Wagner in the amount of \$134,528 which takes care of the parking lots. Some of the properties will be paying us back for the small areas like the flower shop. We will be calculating all those. Some additional spots will be paved while they are here; SR119 in a couple of places and on SR 49 they will run the paver over the top to last until next year, to get us through winter. Wendel: Will the Cooper Annexation underground work happen in 2019? I knew we would do the aeration but the Cooper project I didn't know. Diller: Yes, we are looking at \$150,000ish. Wendel: When I look at last several years general funds depleting and with another \$35,000 over for the street project and \$100,000 for aeration. I am concerned our nice buffer is going downhill, but I know it needs done. Diller: It is nice to have buffer, there are things we didn't appropriate, but we also won't spend all the other appropriations. Some equipment purchases yes, if we need them done, we will if not we won't. At some point we will have to. Mayor: We have had

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worse roads than Sharpsburg. This Spring with all the water, it wasn't good for the streets. Diller: It is a huge truck route. We need to stay ahead of it. Mayor: What does everyone think? Wendel: How bad is uptown? I know it was on hold from last year. Diller: It is time, it is now 28 years since it was done. Schmitz: I think it is doable. With the Taste of the Fort and Farmers Markets, people are walking around downtown we want it to look nice. Post: Do we need a motion? Diller: Yes.

Fiely made motion to award the Street Overlay Bid of \$134,528 to Wagner Paving. Post seconded the motion. Vote all yes.

Diller: Lagoon Aeration: As you know we have been working on this for a long time. I have learned it is possible for 5 companies to have the best technology. We talked to Steve Harris, who is very knowledgeable. At end of the day, he felt we needed to do something with newer technology and this was the best opportunity to make improvements planning down the road for things EPA will require us to test for. We are 3 years away from our permit renewal. We could have gone with a \$50,000 system which would offer us no opportunity to treat other things with proven results a better system would. It came down to the fact that Triple Point provided us with the best price and future equipment needs. They came highly recommended and did a lot of research on our lagoons, also considering if we would have growth. The system could handle 200,000 gal a day; we are currently treating 80,000 gal a day. It will give us room for new company increases. If so the percentage of loading will be high. All three companies had similar type technology with micro bubbles, either down low like we currently have or spinning into the top surface. What we have worked and gave us time to make other changes. We have one now which works most of the time; we will need aeration to keep DO numbers where they need to be.

Council has the proposal of all equipment we need to get up and running. They propose 35 units now and say we should add another 4 down the road if we see the need. The original proposal came with a second blower, EPA will want us to have an extra blower, which we don't think we need now. The bid is \$192,000 for the full system and provides us a full operating system. The curtains, aeration and the hydraulic work have all put the lagoons in the best shape they can be in. If we continue going down the track with more industrial sewage, we will need to be careful of the track they go, most of time CW give us less than domestic waste. We will continue to work with industry going forward. We are in area to get Cooper type businesses. Kaup: With microbubble you get what you pay for, the same system has been put in somewhere right? Diller: Yes, the technology is used a lot. Kaup: Do you see longevity for this company? Diller: We made calls on them and they all had nothing but good things to say, at the end of day what we want it the company with the best pricing for long term. We counted a lot on what Steve said. The three most reputable companies in the business with some history we will follow up with. We also kept our look at companies with experience in colder areas, not Arizona. They had a lot of places they could send us to. It is ironic though, we bought our current aerators from Lexington, they also put in a Triplepoint system. Post: Were they happy? Diller: Yes, no bad responses on all 3 companies. All have dealer reps in Ohio. Knapke: What is the life expectancy? Diller: They will tell you every system is different with treatment and turn over. When we get all the infiltration out and all we are putting into the lagoons is the waste stream, we will have additional days of retention. With that in mind they should last a long time. Wendel: If it is just a blower there is not much that can go wrong. Diller: The way to deal with piping is it is tougher psi than needs to be, you isolate the issue, jack up the blower and blow it out. We can do some of work ourselves. Knapke: Can you get 20-30 years out of it? Diller: I think yes, the question is what will change from EPA requirements? Will we have to add a chemical? I don't see any problem with this system, replaced some because technology is worth making changes, not because they have to, they wanted to. Wendel: What are the financial consequences? Diller: If not long term, then make changes. If putting something into Wabash makes it inhabitable by fish, will work with us. Kaup: What about the electric consumption? Diller: New system: now only running one, which is not to stay. Blower 40 hp motor, we can dial it down, blowing 15hp? Whatever we decide we need. Kaup: Same money as far as electric. Diller: What we have monthly costs from \$1,100. to \$3,500. That

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is why we went with a variable speed drive, if we can save money we will. He sees no reason why we would need a 3rd lagoon. We will probably have a little over \$400,000 in the last 6 or 7 years, but if last 20-40 years it is worth it. Kaup: How soon does it need done? Diller: The price will continue to change; we are down to one aerator. Fiely: I think you guys have talked this to death, I think you want to get done before we have issues. Diller: CW is adding some things which will be better for our system and easier for them.

When we talked about the potential for phasing in the project, the redundant cost adds \$15 000 over two years, they would rather loan us the money for the whole thing. We know we have Broadway Street out there pending. Kaup: If you install in 2019, are there no internal expenses? Diller: We will have to pour a concrete pad; Mitch will do some wiring and some trenching with materials supplied. It is quoted with us providing those items. Knapke: How long is the guarantee on the equipment? Diller: All material has a one-year guarantee; piping is a 10-year guarantee.

Wendel made a motion to purchase the aeration system for the lagoons from Triplepoint. Post seconded the motion. Vote all yes.

Diller: We will have to go through a process because we did not go through the bid process. This is hard to do because everything was all over the board. We ended up with six or seven proposals.

Important Dates: St Clair run July 20th 8:00am.

Poll council: Pearson: There is a street light out by Tobin's, my brother-in-law. Diller: We will report it. Schmitz: Were the street lights struck by lightning? Diller: We do not know, there were four or five in the same area not on the same circuit. They were under warranty and have been replaced.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss the employment matters in accordance with Ohio Rev code 121.22?

Wendel made a motion to enter executive session as requested by the mayor, this was seconded by Knapke vote all yes by roll call vote.

Wendel made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes


Knapke made a motion to hire Alex Schoen as new full-time police officer subject to him passing employment requirements and request Erin Ables amend the wage ordinance. Post seconded the motion. Vote all yes.

Council reviewed invoices #28740 to #28771 including then and now certificates, inter-departmental transfers and memo expense 190037-190044. Knapke made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Fiely made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Wendel. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.



 Mayor, Dave Kaup



 Roberta Staugler