

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
May 23, 2023**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Peter Wilson

**PRESENT:** Cox, Temple, Darcy, Donnalley, Hiner, Thomas, and Beech

**ABSENT:**

The regular meeting on May 23, 2023, was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Peter Wilson presiding.

Mayor Wilson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING MAY 9, 2023**

Donnalley made the motion to approve the minutes from the 5/9/23 regular meeting.

Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Darcy made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$79,891.34

Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

Darcy made the motion to pay payroll for PPE 5/13/23 in the amount of \$62,890.74.

Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

**GUEST (S)**

Angelina Lewis, a Sr at Lisbon David Anderson High School, was present at the meeting. Ms. Lewis, before reading a prepared statement on bullying, thanked Mayor Wilson for the invitation to attend this council meeting. Ms. Lewis had previously attended a school board meeting. She said the culture can't be removed but can be replaced with a safe and healthy culture. The copies of stories about bullying and flyers on evidenced based education programs were left with the fiscal officer to be filed. She asks that the council and the mayor work directly with the school board on implementing these programs. In her statement she in detail explained the bullying she went through while attending Boardman Schools, she did not want this to happen to anyone else. After finished Council woman Donnalley has if things had gotten better at the school, she herself had not been back since she was a Senior however her friend called one day from the bathroom at the school crying. Council President Thomas explained there is not much council can do, however but bullying is not something condoned by those on council even though it happens everywhere. She suggested that to continue to make an impact as a young adult to become involved with some organizations that deal with bullying. Mayor Wilson asks School board member Marti Grimm if the school has done anything since the last meeting. She replied that conversations have been had and will continue. This is something the board takes seriously, and they appreciate Ms. Lewis speaking to them. Mayor Wilson suggested since there are open seats on the school board maybe Ms. Lewis should consider running for one of those open seats.

Matt Brophey Scout Solar was present to discuss possible solar solutions to electric cost for the village. Prior to Mr. Brophey speaking Mayor Wilson questioned both Council man Cox and Council President Thomas for working on a project without following procedures, he had to ask council if the lawyer for the class action suit against Norfolk Southern could come to a meeting. This led to heated comments from council members and the mayor. Mr. Brophey explained to those in attendance the village had 4 meters, water plant, wellfield, and village hall both heat and lights where this program is possible. The others are not because of real estate issues with property needed. The program would eliminate current supplies of electric and Scout Solar being the new supplier. The electricity would come from solar structures being built at the location to provide electricity. Mr. Brophey explained the sizes

needed, and programs in brief if the village would decide to move forward. An informational packet was left with each council member and the mayor for review. Council woman Temple questioned if there is enough sun to power these places with solar, since Ohio has less sun than some states in the south the equipment is built bigger to make up for the less sunshine according to Mr. Brophy.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RE: UPDATE STREET DEPARTMENT ROOF MAINTENANCE**

There were no new updates on this project. The contractor has been busy but will get the contract prepared according to Council man Cox.

**RE: UPDATE FIRE DEPARTMENT CEILING**

Mayor Wilson questioned Chief Hall if he was satisfied with the work Boak and Sons did on the ceiling. Chief Hall said after reviewing the contract they did the work as described. Council woman Hiner explained the details in the contract and even if the work is not cosmetically appealing the job was done as described. Mayor Wilson did not agree saying this is tax payer money it should have been better. Ms. Hiner explained the ceiling and beams could be painted black to make it look better, if there are any contractors interested in submitting a quote.

Hiner made a motion to pay the invoice to Boak and Sons as presented.

Darcy 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes, with Thomas abstaining.

Motion Passed

**RE: UPDATE OPWC FUNDING S MARKET (GRANT) ST BRIDGE**

Mayor Wilson reported the village has been awarded the OPWC funds in the amount of \$245,360.00. He also went over the funding already received as in previous meetings. The Right of Way acquisition is moving forward, construction is expected to begin in April 2024.

**RE: UPDATE ON PRITCHARD AVE BRIDGE**

Mayor Wilson explained with the Pritchard Bridge how ODOT is expected to increase the village award to one million, it is currently around \$700,000.00. As the Grant St project cost have increased so ODOT is increase grant awards to reflect the construction prices. ODOT is also making available a grant program to assist municipalities with engineering and environment costs up to \$200,000.00, according to the mayor this would cover all the engineering and part of environmental studies.

**RE: BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS**

Mayor Wilson said he is still looking for one member to fill this board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RE: ORDINANCE NO. 2151-2023 – AMENDED 2023 APPROPRIATIONS AS AN EMERGENCY**

Thomas made the motion to suspend the rules and regulations for passing an ordinance.

Hiner 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

Hiner made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2151-2023, 2023 amended appropriations for personnel expenses and all other expenditures in the swimming pool fund.

Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

#### **RE: HIRING OF LIFEGUARD CAMI FREELAND**

Pool manager Jayce Frank explained lifeguard Kyle Rohm has taken another job, he still would like to work weekends and pool parties when needed. The schedule for the summer will not work with only seven lifeguards, he would like to have the eight.

Donnalley made the motion to hire Cami Freeland.

Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson questioned if the pool was going to open on Saturday as said. Mr. Frank said it is moving in that direction.

#### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

The following reports were submitted to council in their packets: May month end fund summary. All vouchers were presented prior to the meeting for review and signatures. A finance committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

#### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The street department report was distributed to council in their packets for review.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Hall reported the certification inspections for the pumpers have been scheduled. The flashover training was a success, the department would like to have more attend when possible. Driver simulator training has been scheduled for July.

#### **PARKS DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Council woman Donnalley reported on the bulk tank system to be used at the pool this summer, the chemicals are to be delivered by the end of the year per Sr Plant Operator Chris Peterson. The pool is losing approximately 9000 gallons a day, since this report was written some pipes have been plugged. The leak is believed to be skimmer everything repaired last year is holding. There was a discussion on the current pool pass prices approved in January, Pool manager Jayce Frank would like council to reconsider those prices. He feels they are too high compared to other pools in the area he called. After some discussion council agreed to change the prices. Council man Cox reported the diving board is not here as of yet. He also had a quote from Esterlee Fence for fencing in the amount of \$3,978.00.

Donnalley made the motion to pool pass pricing age 17 and under \$60.00, 18 and over \$80.00 and a family up to 5 \$135.00 with each additional person \$25.00 each.

Temple 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Thomas made a motion the fencing be paid from the already approved \$15,000.00 with those projects coming in under budget any additional funds for the fencing to be paid from the capital improvement fund.

Darcy 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

**BPA REPORT**

Chairman Hoover reported the scadia computer at the plant, which is 7 years old, will need to be replaced sometime in 2024. The cost for both new software and a computer, the current software is not compatible with newer computers, is going to be between \$20,000.00 and \$30,000.00. The department did some jetting on N. Market St with a sewer back up, there was some grease found in the line. The department also answered a call regarding sewage in the creek near the Ohio Edison substation, there was nothing found. The caller did indicate while the department was there, he had actually seen something a couple days prior to calling.

**ZONING REPORT**

The most current approved zoning applications were distributed in their packets. Zoning Inspector Barkley reported the revision of the zoning ordinance has been distributed to the zoning committee. He mentioned that after this was sent a question on how the committee could tell what was being changed from the most current ordinance to these proposed changes, Mr. Barkley said with all the changes being made red lining out would be a lot. There was discussion on the best way to explain the changes with such a big rewrite, it was decided for now a summary of all the proposed changes would be written and given to the committee. The committee is asked to have their comments back to Mr. Barkley prior to June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The next step in the process will be the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission.

**CEMETERY REPORT**

Board member Wendell Cole reported Pat McAleese has been hired as the clerk for the cemetery, his first day will be June 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Cole stated the cemetery is in good shape for the holiday weekend, they appreciate all the help from the other departments and residents who volunteered.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Wilson passed on thanks from McKinley School administration for the use of the park at the pool and how nice it looked. Bike Safety event is being held May 28<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am until 2:00 pm, a ceremony to return a found purple heart is scheduled for 3:00 pm that day. The purple heart was found at the Rogers Community Sale, the family has been located and the purple heart will be given to them. The Memorial Day parade is scheduled for Monday at 9:00 am. Everbrite had been in town sweeping the streets prior to the holiday weekend.

With nothing further to come before council, Mayor Wilson adjourned the May 23, 2023, meeting at 8:10 pm.

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Mayor Peter Wilson

**ATTEST:**

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Tracey Wonner, Fiscal Officer