

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 27, 2021

PRESIDING: Mayor Peter Wilson

PRESENT: Temple, Darcy, Cox, Donnalley, DeCort, Thomas, Solicitor
Beech

ABSENT:

The regular meeting on July 27, 2021 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.

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Darcy made the motion to approve the minutes from the 7/13/21 regular meeting.

Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Darcy made the motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$28,373.95.

Cox 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

Darcy made the motion to approve the payroll for PPE 7/10/21 in the amount of \$65,869.83

Thomas2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

GUEST (S)

Tom Butch Columbiana County Parks District was present at the meeting to discuss long term plans for the bike trail. The parks district will be using the ODOT right of way from Bluff to the current park and ride on the north side of SR 154. The proposed plan for the in-town section entails Maple St, North on Market St, East on Washington St, North on Jefferson St, East on Chestnut St to Moore Ave than back onto Lincoln Way heading East. The parks district plan for in-town is signage only no markings. Mr. Butch mentioned how the ODOT engineer mentioned the bridge on SR 154 (Lincoln Way) needs repair, the bridge according to the engineer present will be put on the ODOT list. There was some discussion on the amount of traffic on Chestnut St than adding bicycles.

Eileen Dray Barden was present at the meeting to discuss the new Columbiana County Visitor's Bureau that has been established, this has been talked about for several years. There has been a board seated so they are now ready to begin marketing Columbiana County with all it has to offer. They are accepting members with special pricing to start; the Village can be a Charter Member for up to three years at a cost of \$25.00 per year. Council had no issue with the Village becoming a member of the Columbiana County Visitor's Bureau.

Bill Hoover, Chair of the Board of Public Affairs, informed Council there were eight applicants for the shared position between the Water and Street department all eight were called for an interview, two did not show up for the assigned time. The BPA have hired Laura Wilson at 92% of the base of a Maintenance II position. Her official start date will be August 9, 2021.

Bill Hoover requested that during the Doowop Concert on Friday that the car club he belongs to be permitted to have a mini car show during the concert. Council feels this is a good idea, Chief Abraham will block the appropriate parking spots on Nelson Ave.

Jason Leggett was present at the meeting regarding possibly naming the downtown squares after Lewis Kinney, Mr. Kinney laid out the original boundaries of the Village of Lisbon and there is nothing named after him. Council directed Mr. Leggett to the County Commissioners since they own the land where the downtown parks are located. Mr. Leggett also talked about some ideas on honoring other dignitaries from the Village with statues or plaques. He also spoke about how if the pool was enclosed at some point this would be nice so the pool could be used all year round generating more revenue for the parks. Council man DeCort ask if he thought the Village, or the Community should take the lead on these statues or plaques? Mr. Leggett thought that probably both should be involved.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE: CHICKENS IN THE VILLAGE

Council President Thomas stated that during the Council of the whole work session on Thursday prior to this meeting the topic of chickens was discussed in length. During the work session it was decided that the current ordinance in addition to other municipality ordinances should be reviewed then work with our zoning inspector for what would work in the Village. The agenda item of chickens in the village will be removed until there is more to bring back to Council.

RE: BANNERS FOR STREETLIGHT POLES

The banners were also discussed during the work session. Council man DeCort and Council woman Temple are looking at idea of Veterans for the banners. This is a little more complicated than first anticipated, East Liverpool was contacted they have an entire venting process that is not done thru the city. Mr. DeCort has spoken with three different vendors Troopvendors.com, Military Tribute Banners and Hometown Hero Banners. Each can do these types of banners with each offering close to the same kinds of service and cost comparable to each other. Hometown Hero Banners is the only company who does not do the artwork for the banner. All of Council agreed that if this were something the Village would want to pursue it would be in the best interest to partner with the VFW or turn the entire project over to them. Mayor Wilson indicated that East Liverpool City is not involved in the banners it is outsourced. The banners will also be taken off the agenda until there is more information.

RE: RESOLUTION #2098-2021 – FIRE SERVICE AGREEMENT

Solicitor Beech after review made a few minor changes in language, with these changes Council tabled this Resolution until Center and Elkrun Townships can review.

RE: PLACEMAKER GRANT UPDATE

There were four other communities which applied for the Placemaker grant in the County and surround area as reported by Mayor Wilson up to \$370,000.00 is available. The award date reported by Mayor Wilson is sometime in September or October.

RE: RCAP UPDATE

The Rural Community Assistance Partnership focus group met at Village Hall; the group will be working on how the Village should promote itself. Mayor Wilson invited anyone interested to attend the upcoming meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

RE: 1st READING ORDINANCE #2099-2021 – 2021 PAYROLL ORDINANCE

Council President Thomas reported the finance committee met, during their meeting they discussed the job title changes with the new job descriptions, these changes are reflected on the new payroll ordinance. The affected employees will be reassigned accordingly after all job descriptions are completed and agreed upon. The pay increase will be retro active until August 1st to stay in line with when increases were given last year. The pay increases were discussed with all employees except the police department receiving a 3% increase across the board. The police department wages were discussed separately, the wages which the majority of the finance committee agreed upon are reflected on the 1st reading of the ordinance. Mrs. Thomas indicated she is not in favor of these wages; she would like to have committee of the whole meeting so all of Council can participate in the wages and proposed changes to the parks department. The meeting on consent of Council will be Thursday July 29th.

Donnalley made the motion to pass the 1st reading of Ordinance #2099-2021.
Temple 2nd

With a non-roll call vote there were three ayes – Temple, Donnalley and DeCort, the three nays were Darcy, Cox and Thomas. Mayor Wilson casted the tie breaking vote of aye to pass the 1st reading of Ordinance #2099-2021

RE: POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND TRAINING

Thomas made the motion with regret to accept the resignation of full-time office and school resource officer Tab Bailey.
Cox 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson stated that Officer Bailey will be missed and how much the school liked him.

Cox made the motion to move Justin McCoy to the school resource officer position and provide the needed training.
Donnalley 2nd

Council President Thomas ask if Officer McCoy has met anyone at the school yet, he has met Superintendent Siefke. The school resource officer training is now available on-line with no travel needed according to Chief Abraham.

All Ayes
Motion Passed

Cox made the motion to hire Bryce Allen as full-time officer.
Darcy 2nd

Council woman Temple asks who if anyone Mr. Allen knows on the department. Chief Abraham answered that Mr. Allen knows Officer Grodhaus however they are not related.

All Ayes
Motion Passed

Chief Abraham explained the SERT team, the Columbiana County Tactical Team, which all municipalities who are members have access to use if a need would arise. He would like to send Office Grodhaus to this training provided by Midwest Tactical at a cost of \$450.00.

Cox made the motion to send Officer Grodhaus to the training.
Temple 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

Chief Abraham distributed the 2020 department stats, with a note indicating there was a system change by the state for reporting and COVID19.

RE: FIRE DEPARTMENT PURCHASE AND APPOINTMENT OF FIREFIGHTER

Chief Hall requested to purchase with the fire levy money a JAWS of life, the current JAWS is 22 years old. The new systems are lighter and portable making it possible to use in a variety of accident situations. Council man Cox ask if the levy monies can support this type of purchase and the firetruck payment. Ms. Wonner indicated that with the current payment amount of the truck purchased and this both can be supported. Chief Hall reported that with a generous donation to the fire association they have been able to purchase other rescue equipment.

Temple made the motion to approve the purchase of a JAWS of Life from Genesis Rescue in the amount of \$38,134.00.
Cox 2nd

All Ayes with Thomas abstaining
Motion Passed

Chief Hall requested that retired Fire Chief Paul Gresh be re-appointed to the fire department as an officer, he has shown an interest in being on the active roster. Mr. Gresh is available through the day, where availability is lower.

Temple made the motion to appoint Paul Gresh Jr. to the fire department roster as a firefighter.
Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes with Thomas abstaining
Motion Passed

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

A copy of the most recent fund summary was presented to Council in their packets.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

A copy of the reports was presented to Council in their packets. Mr. Oliver has spoke to ODOT concerning the timing of the traffic lights. Council woman Temple thanked the street department for the work done on Rose Dr.

MAYOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT

A copy of the Mayor's monthly financial report was presented to Council in their packets.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Hall reported that Columbiana County Fire School will be resuming, the department will be sending personnel to two different classes on Saturday and Sunday. There is no charge for the classes which will satisfy training requirements set by the State. The fair schedule is be set up for the County departments.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Council woman Donnalley reported she has the agreement from Goodwill Industries, the program in which Bill Cloud is sponsored who works in the parks. She will have a copy of everyone at the Committee of the Whole meeting. The grills have been installed at Willow Grove, the donated Christmas lights have been sold 95% of them, the \$1,250.00 was donated to the Brian Severs Foundation as the Bell Family indicated. The Village had applied for an AARP grant for lights on the proposed walking trail, the Village did not receive the grant. The ODNR Nature Works grant was not submitted on time. The pool work will begin in the next few weeks. Mrs. Donnalley will be meeting with Ms. Wonner to start a preliminary budget for the pool and parks.

APPROVED ZONING APPLICATIONS

The approved zoning applications were included in the Council packet.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Chamber Concert in the Square is scheduled for Friday evening from 6:00 – 9:00 pm, the Columbiana County Fair begins August 2nd the Cemetery will be offering parking during the fair.

Council man Cox thanked Center Township for mowing Saltwell Rd with their boom mower prior to the fair.

With nothing further to come before Council the meeting on July 27 , 2021 adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Mayor Peter Wilson

ATTEST:

Tracey Wonner Fiscal Officer