

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Peter Wilson

**PRESENT:** Temple, Cox, Darcy Berg, Donnalley and Thomas

**ABSENT:**

The regular meeting on February 23, 2021 was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Peter Wilson presiding, the meeting was held on zoom.

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

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes from the 2/9/21 meeting.

Berg 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Darcy made the motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount \$18,833.39.

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes

Motion Passed

The payroll for PPE 2/6/21 was processed early and approved at the last meeting.

**GUEST (S)**

There were no guest present at the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RE: GRANT UPDATE – DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION APPLICATION (DERA)/AARP/OMEGA (ARC)**

The DERA deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup>, this application is to replace the water department backhoe. Mayor Wilson will be consulting BPA Chairman Hoover and Water Superintendent Chris Peterson prior to submitting the application. The AARP grant deadline is April 14<sup>th</sup>. The Parks Committee will meet prior to the deadline for discussion on possible projects for the is application. The Village was awarded a \$5,000.00 no match grant through OMEGA to hire a consultant to assist the Village in ways to further incorporate the Greenway Trail into the downtown area. The intent of the consultant will be to help in bringing more foot and bike traffic to the downtown. There was a brief discussion on the unavailability of grants for just public swimming pools, some residents have questioned why there has not been a grant applied for to repair the pool. There are just not any grants out there specific to just public swimming pools, Council man Berg stated that even when the current pool was redone in 1979 to the "L" shape they mentioned not having any grants for these types of projects.

**RE: RESIDENT SURVEY**

The resident survey was discussed, when first talked about there were several questions covering several different topics. Some on Council felt this survey was only to discuss the pool, which Council members Donnalley, Darcy and Cox agreed with. They would like to see just the one question on this first survey. Mayor Wilson feels a survey with multiple questions would be a good opportunity to see what the residents want done in the Village. Council members Berg and Thomas mentioned that many of these questions were items that Council has already decided they do not want to pursue, Mayor Wilson stated those were previous Councils not this Council. Council man Cox feels this why the meetings are a public forum where if residents want to voice their concerns, they can attend any meeting. After some discussion it was decided a question on the pool only with a yes or no answer as to repair or not repair depending on cost which could range from \$50,000 to \$500,000.00 will be on the survey. Mayor Wilson will send the exact question to all of Council after this meeting. The question will be distributed with the monthly water bills in Feb and March with the answer available in April. A notice will be placed on the website that for those who receive their water bill via email, the Village notes, and survey question are available at Village Hall.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RE: HIRING OF PART TIME POLICE OFFICER**

Council President ask if Mr. McCoy is related to anyone who works in the department currently. Chief Abraham stated he is not; he has experience in St Clair Township and is friends with some in the department.

Thomas made the motion to hire Justin McCoy as a part time police officer.  
Cox 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

### **RE: LISBON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE JOHNNY APPLESEED FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 18 & 19, 2021**

The Chamber sent a letter requesting the above dates be approved for the 2021 Johnny Appleseed Festival. Thomas made the motion the Johnny Appleseed Festival be approved as requested for September 18 & 19, 2021 if there are no restrictions on Festivals for the upcoming year with the pandemic.

Darcy 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

### **RE: RESOLUTION 2088-2021 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE VILLAGE OF LISBON AS A TRAIL TOWN**

Council man Cox ask for clarification on if another trail association has the same request how could it be handled and is there any cost to the designation. The North Country Trail runs directly with any other trail that could ask, for example the Buckeye Trail of the Greenway Trail. There is no cost for the designation.

Berg made the motion to approve Resolution 2088-2021 a resolution designating the Village of Lisbon as a Trail Town for the North Country National Scenic Trail.

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

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

A fund summary was submitted to Council in their packets.

### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The report was submitted to Council in their packets. Mayor Wilson thanked the Street department for the work they did during the last snowstorm. Street Supervisor Jim Oliver will be attending a virtual traffic light class offered ODOT, the class is free if all 4 hours are attended. The streets being considered from the 2021 chip and seal program are Churchhill Rd, Thomas Rd, Exchange St, Cross St, and the upper parking lot of Village hall. Mr. Oliver will measure all of these with an estimated cost for the next council meeting.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chief Hall stated the department would like to take the truck to Calcutta for funeral services for Gary Amato a long-time member of the West Point Fire Department, Council has no issue with the truck being taken for the funeral services. The fire safety meeting is scheduled for Thursday Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm at the station. The truck is ready for delivery 75% of the purchase price has been wired to Outback from the finance company, the remaining balance will be sent once the truck is delivered and passes inspection. Campbell signs has pictures of the truck for ideas on the lettering, the truck will be taken to Campbells for a final decision.

### **PARKS DEPARTMENT**

Parks Supervisor and Council man Berg explained how they would like to be able to have virtual walk thru tours of Willow Grove Park. Tad Herold at the economic development believes this type of tour can be included on the county GIS system with a link on the Village website directing those interested to the tour. Council has no issue with this project, there will be little to no cost associated with virtual tour. Council man Cox questioned what the plan for Willow Grove is where the old playground equipment was removed. The parks committee is obtaining prices and ideas for new equipment at the Park. The area may be smaller than the old playground. The committee is waiting to see if the Western Reserve Conservatory easement is approved and how the money will be used if so. The Lisbon All School reunion is planned for July 2023. The food pantry downtown has been renamed the Kevin Farrow Memorial Pantry.

**APPROVED ZONING APPLICATIONS**

The approved zoning applications were included in the Council packet. The first round of citations has been prepared in accordance with the vacant building ordinance. Solicitor Beech has those citations. The pending cases on the maintenance ordinance are moving forward.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Council President Thomas reported that she has spoken with Mr. Cusick who lives on SR 154, he had contacted council about the drive which leads to his property. Mrs. Thomas explained to him it was discussed at the last meeting and was found to be a private drive per the tax maps. Mr. Cusick had no further questions.

With nothing further to come before Council the meeting on February 23, 2021 adjourned at 7:17 pm.

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Mayor Peter Wilson

**ATTEST:**

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Tracey Wonner Fiscal Officer