

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 23, 2021**

PRESIDING:
Mayor Peter Wilson

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

The regular meeting on November 23, 2021, was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Wilson presiding. Mayor Wilson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING November 9, 2021

Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes from the 11/09/21 regular meeting.

Temple 2nd

Darcy abstained
All Ayes
Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Darcy made the motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$24,312.47 and payroll for PPE 11/13/21 in the amount of \$61,972.78.

Donnalley 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

There were no guests from the floor to be recognized.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE: IBI ENGINEERING FOR THE GRANT ST. BRIDGE:

Mayor Wilson updated council after the meeting with IBI earlier in the week, Ms. Wonner was in attendance. IBI will start the surveying within the next few weeks, with the money being due in July 2022. Councilman Cox had a question regarding the dollar amount, as to what it was going to cover, asking that no other monies would be due at that time, which Council had not accounted for in their budget. Councilman DeCort stated it was a general survey, nothing to do with bridge design. The cost was strictly for surveying. Mr. Cole had worked on that bridge in earlier years, he had a question on why redesign the style. Mayor Wilson's response is that the one span design will save money and would be more efficient than in years past. Councilman DeCort made a motion to accept the cost proposal from IBI to start the surveying of the Grant St. Bridge.

Cox 2nd

All Ayes
Motion passed

RE: PRITCHARD AVE. BRIDGE UPDATE:

Mayor Wilson stated the Pritchard Ave. Bridge had been awarded \$691,000.00 grant designated to begin in May 2025. Councilwoman Thomas wanted to be made aware if this would be a matching grant or a loan to be paid back. The mayor was hoping the OPWC grant would cover the cost and not to be a loan, would know the outcome in January 2022. Councilwoman Thomas was in favor of the bridge repair but was cautious of the expense to the Village.

RE: WILLOW GROVE BRIDGE UPDATE:

Mayor Wilson explains this is planning and engineering phase a truss is not needed.

RE: ODOT ROAD SAFETY GRANT UPDATE:

Mayor Wilson stated the \$30,000.00 has been granted for road work in the Village. The money will be used to update the safety of the streets, lighting, signage and cross walks in the Village. There are 12 cross walks on top of the list to be updated, especially around the schools within the Village. This grant will not have a matching cost.

RE: JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

Councilwoman Thomas has given the final draft to Solicitor Beech for his review. One of the edits being made will be moving the drug testing as part of the employee's job description. Drug testing will be in a different section of the policy procedure manual. Ms. Thomas will have the final draft available before the next meeting in December. No motion is necessary until the personnel handbook is finalized.

NEW BUSINESS:

RE: POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL:

Chief Abraham asked council to accept the resignation of Jon Leisure a PT dispatcher. Councilman Cox made a motion to accept resignation.

Darcy 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

Chief Abraham asked council to consider the hiring of a new PT dispatcher Tiffany Baker. Councilman Cox made a motion to accept the application of Tiffany Baker to PT dispatcher.

Donnalley 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

Mayor Wilson asked the Chief if he had a response from the grant for body cams for the police dept. Chief Abraham stated he has not had any response from the application, the mayor hasn't received an answer from the grant he completed, either.

RE: T-MOBILE GRANT:

The mayor asked council for permission to apply for a grant from T-Mobile for \$50,000.00. The grant is available to communities to upgrade the WIFI in parts of the Village where large groups of people would gather for social events. It is for entertainment and recreational upgrades. Councilwoman Thomas has a concern if it would interfere with our existing cable companies in the Village. No towers were required, or additional cables according to Mayor Wilson. The chair from the BPA, Mr. Hoover had explained he had tried for that type of grant in the past, stating a very detailed plan/space must be in place before applying. It was determined thru discussion on what part of the Village would benefit from this grant and was decided the Parks Committee would meet on December 6th after the Finance Committee meeting at 5:15 pm on Monday. Councilwoman Thomas made the motion to meet on December 6th to bring it before the next council meeting on December 14th.

Temple 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: The reports were included in the Council packets.

MAYOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT: The report was included in the Council packets

STREET DEPT. REPORT:

Councilman Cox stated the leaf pick up this year was moving slowly but steady considering the equipment breaks and having personnel out on leave. Discussion on a new engine for the truck was being done by Chris Shivers but wasn't priority since the Village had enough trucks for everyone and three for plowing the snow. Councilman Cox thanked Chris Shivers and Greg Shive with their help in the hunt for another truck. Councilman Cox had a few trucks VIN numbers he was waiting to hear back on them. The Street Dept. reports were included with the council packets.

FIRE DEPT. REPORT: The report was included in the Council packets.

PARKS REPORT:

Councilwoman Donnalley had pictures for a safety parking bumper to be placed in front of the new handicap accessible swing in the park. Phil Barthlomew had donated the swing and felt the bumper would keep those safe using the swing. Mr. Barthlomew would be providing that safety feature too.

BPA REPORT:

Mr. Hoover stated the new meter replacement project is moving steadily. There are a few residents who still need new meters, but it is getting close to the end. The Water Dept. will be billing monthly in January 2022, and readings in gallons. Councilwoman Thomas asked if the back flow problem was fixed at the Fire Dept. Mr. Hoover's response was it had been fixed.

ZONING DEPT. REPORTS:

Approved zoning applications were included in the Council packets

MISCELLANEOUS:

The Village will be working on the downtown in preparation for all the festivities that will be taking place on Saturday December 4th organized by the Lisbon Area Chamber of Commerce and the Lisbon Beautification Committee. A schedule was provided.

Councilwoman Thomas reminded those in attendance of the Photos with Santa at the Fire Dept. taking place on December 12th from 4:00 pm to 6:00. An unwrapped toy donations are being accepted but not necessary.

With nothing further to come before Council the meeting on November 23, 2021, adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Peter Wilson

ATTEST:

Barbara Crane Mayor's Secretary