



RECORD OF REGULAR PROCEEDINGS
February 8, 2021
6:30 PM Via Videoconference

Mayor Carney called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM via Zoom followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were Lauren Giaimo, Sherry Heineman, Shannon Pine, Frank Reed, John Rucker, and Michael Terry.

Village Staff present were Village Administrator Nathan Cahall, Fiscal Officer Renee Sonnett, Police Chief McKee, Solicitor Paul-Michael La Fayette, Zoning Official Taylor Brill and Management Analyst Haley Lupton.

Also Present: Kayleen Petrovia, Leslie Perkins, Tyler Lane, Steve Rice, Bryan Adams, Tim Dawson, Mark Bennett, Joanie Barry

Mr. Terry motioned, seconded by Ms. Pine to approve the January 25, 2021 Council minutes as presented. Six yeas.

Reports

Mayor:

- Thanks to the Public Works team for making sure streets are clear during multiple winter weather callouts. They have corrected several resident issues, as well as a water main break. Thank you for your continued hard work.
- The Mayor is working with Ms. Brill on potential new business ribbon cuttings. Thanks to Taylor for the great job she is doing.
- Working with businesses, trying to get them to the right Village departments for assistance.

Fiscal

- Nothing to report.

Police Department

- Discovery Channel has concluded filming. The episode should air in April and the Chief will let everyone know when.
- Officer Rubio has completed his training program, so he is working on his own.
- The Police Department was the Agency of the Month by the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police due to outstanding community policing efforts.
- Mayor Carney extends thanks to Officer Hogston and Officer Howard for their hard work during last week's fire.

Administrator

- The Noteman Road legislation can be redone, we will be preparing these over the next week. The State of Ohio gave us the wrong legislative template, so we need to change some terms and resubmit the legislation. Staff is in contact with the EPA and both design loans are progressing. The construction loans are in process and staff is working on supplementing information for the EPA.
- Staff has a local firm interested in renting the old Administration building (offices only). They are willing to pledge that it will not be construction storage, it will just be a storefront use.
 - Mr. Terry asked about the length of the lease. Mr. Cahall recommends that we enter a short-term lease (year to year), with a buyout clause included.
 - Mr. Terry does not think this is the ideal company for this spot but does not want to be delayed any more.

- Ms. Pine thinks this building is good for an office spot since that is already how it is built out. The lease should include something about vacating the premise if the building goes up for sale.
- Mr. Reed thinks the Village should put the building to work, even if it is not the optimal business, with a short-term lease (1, 2 or 3 years).
- Staff will further explore the potential lease to this business.

President Pro Tem

- Next work session is Wednesday, February 8 at 6:30pm. There are multiple agenda items, so please expect a long evening.

Solicitor

- Nothing to report.

Capital Improvements

- Joint meeting with Finance was last week. There is not much to update, we are looking for more members.

BZA

- No meetings in January.
- Next meeting is February 16. Two new items for a residency will be presented and a packet will be sent out soon.

Planning & Zoning

- Next meeting is February 17 to discuss Jefferson Apartments final development plan. A packet will be sent later this week.

Parks and Rec

- Meeting tomorrow at 6:30pm.

Personnel & Finance

- A joint meeting was held last week. The key topic was the step increase for the Police Department, which includes the Lieutenants, Detectives, Sergeants and Police Chief. The Department heads are meeting this week to iron out details before writing the resolution. Finance is going to recommend the 8-step increase for the Patrol Officers and the 3-step increase for the Sergeants/Lieutenants/Detective and Chief. Hopefully, this change will help correct some salary problems that the staff has experienced. The resolution should be presented at the next Council meeting.

Fire

- Met last Thursday. There is a new paramedic and one upcoming. The medic is progressing and will hopefully be delivered soon.
- There were several fire responses recently. Unfortunately, there was one loss of life. The fire department's response was very calm and professional and should be commended.

Design Review Board

- Met last Wednesday and reviewed one application. No more information was received for this item and the application had to be denied. Hopefully, the application will be revised and resubmitted.
- Ms. Brill reviewed an issue with one of the uptown area's HVAC unit that had been placed without a permit. It will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Charter Commission

- Meeting this week, February 11. Some members will be joining the Charter Transition Committee. They are going to discuss the educational portion of the Charter.
- Tomorrow is the first day of early voting.
- Final bill for the election costs has not been received yet. Only an estimate (\$25,000) was received and 50% has been paid.

- Ms. Pine asked if a meeting can be put on calendars after Thursday's meeting, if a Charter transition member is decided. The Mayor agreed that that meeting will be scheduled soon.

Old Business

2nd Reading Resolution 02-2021, A Resolution Approving the Madison County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation 5-Year Plan Update

3rd Reading Resolution 01-2021, A Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to Dispose of Village Property No Longer Needed for Public Use

Motion to approve Resolution 01-2021 by Mr. Rucker, seconded by Ms. Pine. Six yeas votes.

New business

- Mr. Terry asked if Absentee Ballots are available for the Special Election. There is not an option on the website for the Board of Elections. Mr. Rucker will mention it to the Board of Elections to see if that can be fixed. Mayor Carney said the Board of Elections suggested printing off Absentee Ballots to keep at the Village Offices.
 - It is recommended that users go to Madison County Board of Elections page to get an absentee ballot.
 - The Mayor will share the Board of Election information with residents, along with copies of the Charter.
 - This November four council members will be running. One spot will have to be voted in for a remaining two-year term. Council will have to determine how this is handled and let the Board of Elections know. This will be dependent on Charter passage.
- 2021 Council goals will be further discussed at the Worksession.

Executive Session

Ms. Pine motioned to enter the Executive Session at 7:01pm, Mr. Terry seconded the motion. All in favor.

Executive Session – Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 G 3 – Conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are subject to pending or imminent court action.

Mr. Reed motioned to exit the Executive Session at 7:12pm, Ms. Pine seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mr. Reed motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:14pm, Ms. Pine seconded the motion. All in favor.

Executive Session – Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 G 1 - To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

Executive Session was exited at 9:17pm. All in favor.

Adjourned at 9:17pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Haley Lupton, Management Analyst