

COUNCIL MEETING

December 1, 2021

Council met in session at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Rick presiding.

Mr. C. Yoho asked everyone to join him in a moment of reflection for their own intentions. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all.

Council Meeting was held in Council Chambers. The meeting was open to the public and face masks were required by all.

Present in Council Chambers was Mayor Rick, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer Rachel Osborne, Council Members: Mr. M. Raddish, Ms. B. Van Dike, Ms. K. Miller, Mr. J. Tonsic, Mr. R. McDowall, Mr. R. Schrock, Mr. C. Yoho, Clerk-Treasurer Scott Varney, Village Engineer Matt Glass, and Law Director Marshal Pitchford.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second by Mr. R. Schrock for the approval of the agenda as presented.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second Mr. R. Schrock to adopt the minutes for the November 17, 2021, Council meeting. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON PENDING LEGISLATION – Noris Hale, 204 S Cleveland Avenue, asked Council to take the time to think through the TIF Agreement. Hale states it will affect many of the residents on a limited budget, and she thinks now is not a great time with the economy about to teeter totter into a recession. Hale said though property values might be expected to increase, they might decrease and will affect the bonds that are going to be sold to fund this TIF agreement. Hale states the Village is not taking into effect the inflation cost and is not sure it is going to stay the same for fifteen years. Hale asked if the Village has a reserve for the “what ifs” or is it just the one million for the infrastructure?

Village Engineer Matt Glass stated the person on the hook is the developer and the developer is at risk of any inflation, not the Village. The Village will lose no money and Testa would still be required to do improvements.

Hale said that even though the Village says we are going to stay whole, it will only be whole on the land portion of the taxes and not the improvements. Hale said the Village will not see any additional funds from the improvements on the land.

Law Director Marshal Pitchford stated that he disagrees with Hale’s comment and that is not true. He stated that is not how the legislation is written, and the Village will still receive one hundred percent of its share of taxes on any improvements to the land and the buildings.

Hale said that was not the way it was explained at the public hearing.

Pitchford stated that was exactly how it was explained at the public hearing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

UTILITIES – Mr. Tonsic had no report.

SAFETY – Mr. R. Schrock reported he has three pieces of legislation to read.

PARKS – Mr. McDowall had no report.

PLANNING AND ZONING – Ms. Miller had no report.

FINANCE/AUDIT – Ms. Van Dike reported she has three pieces of legislation to read.

STREETS – Mr. Yoho had no report.

Council President Mr. M. Raddish announced the next Work Session will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. with all committees reporting, and asked Assistant Clerk-Treasurer to send out a reminder next week to the committees.

OLD BUSINESS- None.

NEW BUSINESS- FIRST READINGS

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Ordinance 2021-61 sponsored by Finance Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE NORTH CLEVELAND AVENUE INCENTIVE DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Ordinance 2021-62 sponsored by Finance Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND TESTA MOGADORE, LLC CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Ordinance 2021-63 sponsored by Finance Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (“TIF”) INCENTIVE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42, AND 5709.43 OF THE REVISED CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. R. Schrock presented Ordinance 2021-64 sponsored by Safety Committee as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE AUXILIARY POLICE PROGRAM WITHIN THE MOGADORE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. R. Schrock made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Mr. C. Yoho seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. R. Schrock to adopt Ordinance 2021-64, a second was made by Ms. K. Miller. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. R. Schrock presented Resolution 2021-65 sponsored by Safety Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO PLACE A TAX LEVY FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT THE TAX RATE OF 3.5 MIL AND REQUESTING THE PORTAGE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE VILLAGE AND THE

DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THIS REPLACEMENT LEVY,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. R. Schrock presented Resolution 2021-66 sponsored by Safety Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO PLACE A TAX LEVY FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT THE TAX RATE OF 3.5 MIL AND REQUESTING THE SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE VILLAGE AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THIS REPLACEMENT LEVY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

COMMENTS from the Public: Vicki Henico, 3773 Argonne Street, thanked Mayor Rick for providing informational updates on the Village's webpage. Henico asked how long is leaf pickup going on?

Mayor Rick stated the Street Department will continue to make their rounds throughout the Village till the middle of December.

Michele Housley, 67 First Avenue, Housley asked Mayor Rick what the S.A.F.E.R. Grant is that was previously passed for the Fire Department.

Mayor Rick stated it's for salary to pay full-time firemen to help staff the Fire Department.

COMMENTS from Council: Mr. Tonsic thanked everyone for coming out.

Ms. Van Dike thanked everyone for coming and letting us know what's going on.

COMMENTS from the Law Director: Marshal Pitchford followed up with further comments to Noris Hale. Pitchford referenced Legislation 2021-63, pages 309-310 section 6, regarding the TIF Fund. Pitchford said that it says after the schools are kept one hundred percent whole, the Village will also keep it's full share. Pitchford told Ms. Hale he would be happy to discuss further with her if she has questions after the meeting.

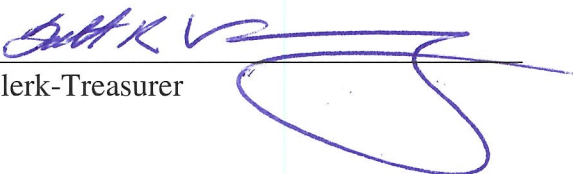
COMMENTS from the Village Engineer: No comments.

COMMENTS from the Clerk-Treasurer: No comments.

COMMENTS from the Mayor: Mayor Rick announced Christmas in the Village will be Saturday, December 11th from 2:30 p.m. till 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Attest:


Clerk-Treasurer


Mayor

12-15-21
Date