

COUNCIL MEETING

March 15, 2023

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

Ms. B. Van Dike asked everyone to join her 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 live-streamed on Facebook.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Mr. C. Yoho, Ms. B. Van Dike, Mr. M. Raddish, Mr. J. Tonsic, Ms. K. Miller, and Mr. W. Bauer. Mr. R. McDowall was not present.

Others Present: Mayor Rick, Council Clerk Rachel Osborne, Clerk-Treasurer Scott Varney, Assistant Law Director Natalie Rothenbuecher, and Village Engineer Matt Glass.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second by Mr. C. Yoho for the approval of the agenda as presented.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Police Department Award Ceremony – Chief Higgins gave awards to some Police Officers and people in the community.

Motion by Mr. M. Raddish, second by Ms. K. Miller to adopt the minutes from March 1, 2023, Council meeting. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON PENDING LEGISLATION – No Comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

UTILITIES – Mr. Bauer had no report.

SAFETY – Mr. Yoho had no report.

PARKS – Mr. McDowall – not present.

PLANNING AND ZONING – Ms. Miller had no report.

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

STREETS – Mr. Tonsic reported he has one piece of legislation to read.

Council President Mr. Raddish announced the next Work Session will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. with all committees reporting.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS –

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Ordinance 2023-24 sponsored by Finance as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER

31, 2023, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. B. Van Dike 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 Ms. B. Van Dike to adopt Ordinance 2023-24, a second was made by Ms. K. Miller. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. J. Tonsic presented Resolution 2023-**25** sponsored by Streets Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE 2023 CHIP AND SEAL STREET REPAIRS PROJECT TO GEAUGA HIGHWAY COMPANY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK-TREASURER TO ENTER INTO A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH GEAUGA HIGHWAY COMPANY TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR SAID PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. J. Tonsic made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Ms. B. Van Dike seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Tonsic to adopt Resolution 2023-25, a second was made by Mr. W. Bauer.

Mr. Raddish asked Mayor Rick if Geauga Highway was the same company that did the last Chip and Seal Project.

Mayor Rick stated yes.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Ms. B. Van Dike presented Resolution 2023-**26** sponsored by Finance as follows:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RATES OF PAY FOR THE PART-TIME PARKS AND CEMETERY EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. B. Van Dike made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Mr. J. Tonsic seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. B. Van Dike to adopt Resolution 2023-26, a second was made by Mr. W. Bauer. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS from the Public: Tracy Wagner, 3773 Prospect Street, asked the council if they could get a committee together to put up Christmas lights on the poles downtown.

Mayor Rick stated they would look into that.

Carl Housley, 67 First Avenue, asked the council what was said at the last work session regarding the evacuation plan Mr. Mencer inquired about a few weeks ago. Housley was concerned about the Hazmat's involvement in an evacuation.

Mayor Rick stated there are several evacuation plans for different situations. Mayor Rick stated he will have Fire Chief come to the next meeting to explain as much as he can.

COMMENTS from Council: Ms. Miller congratulated the Police who received an award this evening.

Mr. Tonsic stated the Police Award ceremony was nice and he enjoyed it.

Mr. Yoho stated it is good to recognize people doing good in the community.

Ms. B. Van Dike stated it was nice recognizing not only the Police Officers but other people in the community.

COMMENTS from the Law Director: No Comments.

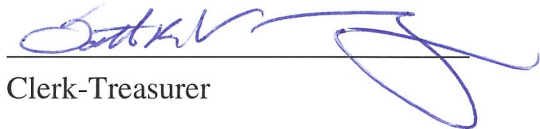
COMMENTS from the Village Engineer: No Comments.


COMMENTS from the Clerk-Treasurer: No Comments.

COMMENTS from the Mayor: No Comments.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Attest:


Clerk-Treasurer

 4-5-22

Mayor Date