

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 25, 2020

PRESIDING: Mayor Peter Wilson

PRESENT: Temple, Darcy, Donnalley, Berg, Thomas, and Beech
ABSENT:

The regular meeting on August 25, 2020 was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Peter Wilson presiding. The meeting was held at the Lisbon High School Auditorium.

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

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Cox made the motion to approve the minutes from the 8/11/2020 meeting.

Darcy 2nd

All Ayes with Thomas Abstaining
Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Darcy made the motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount \$48,761.12 of and payroll for PPE 8/8/20 in the amount of \$47,955.68.

Thomas 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

RECOGNITION OF FIRE CHIEF PAUL GRESH

Fire Chief Paul Gresh is retiring from the fire department effective August 28th after 40 years of service. Mayor Wilson presented Chief Gresh with a Proclamation and in recognition of his dedicated service to the Village. The department presented Chief Gresh with an engraved ax for his service and leadership throughout the years. All those in attendance gave Chief Gresh a standing ovation. Chief Gresh thanked each Council member and those in attendance stating to those from the department in attendance they were the best fire department ever and he will miss serving with them.

GUEST (S)

Doris Hayes from the Lisbon Chamber Beautification Committee was present at council to request permission for the use of the Gazebo Square for the month of October. The committee would like to have a scare crow contest for anyone interested in participating, there will be prizes award in various categories at the end of the month. The committee will be advertising and outlining the guidelines for the decorated scare crows.

Cox made the motion to allow the use of the Gazebo square for a scare crow contest during the month of October.

Darcy 2nd

All Ayes
Motion Passed

Ms. Hayes mentioned that if there is not trick or treat in the Village with COVID19 this year, they would like to solicit donations for treats than have a parade from McKinley School up Lincoln Way to the square. Council stated this is a good idea; they will be deciding in the next month about trick or treat.

OLD BUSINESS:

RE: GRANT STREET BRIDGE UPDATE

Mayor Wilson reported the application for the ODOT Municipal Bridge Grant has been completed and turned in, the estimated cost of the bridge replacement is \$1,878,734.00. Mayor Wilson read a prepared statement stating his belief this replacement should have been anticipated and done prior now maybe the cost would not have been as high. Mayor Wilson, Plant Operator Chris Peterson and Engineer Jon Vollnogle will be presenting to ODOT on Sept 12th. Grant awards are expected in December 2020 with projects in 2022. There is a water line located on the bridge from the reservoir to town which will need to be rerouted for the duration of the project. The proposed detour currently is SR 164 south to Mattix RD back to Steubenville Pike.

RE: STREET SIGNAGE

A comprehensive list of must need signs, missing signs, post, and inventory needed for signage and not high priority signs was presented to Council in their packets. The total cost for the entire list is \$4,664.98. Mayor Wilson stated he has thought about the directional signs which cost an estimated \$130.00 near the bike trail directing to restaurants is needed and he would like to personally donate. Council woman Donnalley stated she had investigated the Chamber contributing however with their finances they are unable to contribute, she is willing donate half of the cost with Mayor Wilson. Mayor Wilson stated that he feels the Village and Chamber need to work together not work against each other as has been done in the past.

Cox made the motion to purchase the list of signs as submitted at a cost of \$4,664.98.
Donnalley 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

RE: SUMMIT AND PENDLETON ST DRAINAGE ISSUE

Street Supervisor Oliver reported the project is complete except for a few tree stumps to be removed and fill to be added at the front of the property. This work should be completed tomorrow weather permitting. It was reported the Muntean's indicated they were happy and appreciative of the project.

NEW BUSINESS

RE: ORDINANCE NO. 2076-2020 CEMETERY PRICES

Gene Krotky representing the Cemetery Board reported to Council the board has not adjusted pricing for cemetery plots/other services for the Cemetery since 2016. The cemetery expenses have been exceeding the revenues therefore they felt it necessary to adjust pricing but not price themselves out of business. The new ordinance has a two-tier pricing for in-town residents and out of town residents. The board feels the in-town residents also pay the levy.

Cox made the motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 2076-2020 Price list for Sale of Cemetery Plots and Other Services for the Lisbon Cemetery.
Berg 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

RE: COUNCIL MEETING LOCATION

Until further notice the council meetings will be held at the Fire Station.

RE: EPD ZONING RECOMMENDATIONS SYNOPSIS

Council man Berg updated Council on the past meetings concerning the changes to the zoning code. The Board of Zoning Appeals, Zoning Inspector and Mr. Berg have had various work session starting in 2019. Mr. Berg and Zoning Inspector Barkley are preparing an updated ordinance to be reviewed by Solicitor Beech. AJ Schwartz from EPD reported on the spreadsheet and zoning map distributed to Council in their packets. Mr. Schwartz went over in detail five key recommendations that came from the earlier mentioned meetings: consider rezoning all residential lots in the "Open Area" District to R-1. Otherwise keep the minimum dimensions in the existing zoning code; consider adjusting minimum residential dimensional requirements in the R-1 district to the following C. Min Lot area 11,000 per family, D. Min Lot Width 60 ft F. Min Front Yard 40 ft H. Min Side Yard, Each side 10 ft and I. Min Sum of Side Yards 20 ft; consider rezoning the northern fringe of the R-2 District (see shaded area of map on page 2) to R-1 (group water/sewer), with the minimum dimensional requirements recommended for dwellings listed above. Consider adjusting the minimum residential dimensions requirements in the R-2 District to the following C. Min Lot Area 700 sf per family, D. Min Lot Width 45 ft F. Min Front Yard 30 ft H. Min Side Yard, Each Side 5 ft I. Min Sum of Side Yards 12 ft; consider reducing some of the minimum dimensional requirements for non-dwelling uses in the R-2 District by about half to disincentivize front-facing parking lots C. Min Lot Area ½ acre, D. Min Lot Width 75 ft F. Min Front Yard 30 ft; consider adding the following maximum dimensional requirements in addition to the minimum listed: Max Lot Area 30,000 sf, Max. Lot Width 150 ft, Max Front Yard 10 ft, Max Rear Yard None, Max Side Yard Each Side 10 ft, Max Sum of Side Yards 15 ft.

RE: POLICE DEPARTMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPRECIATION

Council President Thomas read from a card sent by two young girls pulling a horse trailer on their way home from a barrel race show on July 17th how appreciative they were for the Lisbon Police Department. Their trailer lost lights on the way home, Officers Watkins, Perry, and Dobbins had stopped the trailer, during the stop the officer assisted the young ladies in repairing the lights enough to get them home safely.

This last weekend an elderly lady called to express her gratitude towards the Police Department, during the storm her security alarm went off waking her up. The police responded, the lady was unsure why it was going off or if someone had tried to break in. During her conversation she indicated how Officers Watkins and Clark stayed with her until her alarm company could determine why the alarm was going off, this act made her feel safe and calm during the call.

Council President Thomas stated to those in attendance with the events that are going on in our Country with police brutality, she wanted to share that there is still good and some of that good is right here in our village.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The financial report was distributed to council in their packets. The following reports were included: August fund summary. Ms. Wonner reported the 2018 2019 draft audit has been received, the draft report is available for Council to review. Ms. Wonner will be returning the necessary paperwork and audit adjustments to the Auditor who will submit the audit to the State for review and release. The Ohio Plan and Public Entity Pool (PEP) Insurance companies visited for an assessment. The Ohio Plan holds the insurance for the Fire Department, there were two recommendations in their report: a written job description for the Fire Chief and an alarm system at the station. PEP carries the PPL insurance for the village, they also had 2 recommendations: in the parks ground covering and condition of the old metal swings/slide and teeter tots and the metal steps from the upper parking lot to the lower parking lot at Village Hall are beginning to rust.

Ms. Wonner announced the BWC Firefighters Exposure to Environmental Elements Grant (FEEEG) which the Village applied for was awarded in the amount of \$6,750.00. The fire department will be purchasing 54 BarriAire Complete Coverage Hoods and 54 Phoenix Gauntlet Cuff Structural Gloves, the total cost is \$8,100.00.

Ms. Wonner requested a transfer of \$15,000.00 from the General Fund to the Street Operating Fund for general operating expense.

Cox made the motion to transfer \$15,000.00 from the General Fund to the Street Fund.

Temple 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

The street department report was distributed to council in their packets. The Village backhoe's have been repaired and back in service.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The required 36-hour firefighting class will be beginning September 19th, Matthew Wherry will be attending the class. The Safety Committee meeting will be held September 1st 5:00 pm at the station.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Council man Berg made the motion that Parks Supervisor Dana Blackburn be approved to purchase a pair of boots not to exceed \$150.00 for just this year since she has been working more in the parks this year with the closure of the pool.

He felt this is fair because of the circumstances and in line with what the other departments receive.

Thomas 2nd

All Ayes

Motion Passed

Jim Oliver reported that he has been working with Gary Dailey on a quote for the wall of the pool on the swallow on the Cedar St side down the side wall on the parking lot side towards the deep end. The replacement at this moment is approximately \$24,737.00. Mr. Oliver will be bringing a completed to quote to a future meeting.

APPROVED ZONING PERMITS

The most recent approved zoning permits were included in the council packets. Solicitor Beech informed Council that the most recent building citations have been filed for Court proceedings. He also filed at the request of Zoning Inspector Barkley a citation against a business on N Jefferson St who was denied a business in a residential district.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thomas made the motion to adjourn into executive session for the discussion of wages for a public employee.
Temple 2nd All Ayes with a roll call vote
Motion Passed

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Thomas made the motion to reconvene from executive session at 8:25 pm.
Donnalley 2nd All Ayes with a roll call vote
Motion Passed

Thomas made the motion to accept the request of Sgt Kody Watkins to move from Sgt to Patrolman, with his wage at 100% of the patrolman wage as indicated in the payroll ordinance.
Temple 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

Thomas made the motion to promote Patrolman Fred Carlisle from patrolman to Sgt, with the wage set in the payroll ordinance.
Berg 2nd All Ayes
Motion Passed

Thomas made the motion to hire Trevor O'Rourke as a part time patrolman with the wage set in the payroll ordinance.
Cox 2nd Ayes: Darcy, Cox, Donnalley, Berg and Cox
No's: Temple
Motion Passed

With nothing further to come before Council the meeting on August 25, 2020 adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Mayor Peter Wilson

ATTEST:

Tracey Wonner Fiscal Officer