REGULAR MEETING JUNE 1, 2021

## PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

**ROLL CALL:** 

PRESENT: Joe Bourne, Ed Steffek, James Thornton, Michelle Green, Brandie Bourne, Steve Adams

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER ATTENDEES: Rick Swiger, DJ Meek, Donna Meek VISITORS: Nancy Bourne, John Bourne, Jacquie Price

## **PLEDGE**

The meeting was opened with The Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Gardner.

#### PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

**Motion was made by Joe Bourne** and seconded by James Thornton to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes from regular meeting held May 18, 2021. All council members present were in favor.

#### **VISITORS**

- \*Council and Mayor expressed gratitude to Jacquie Price for painting the signs at the corporation limits and her involvement in other community events.
- \*Jacquie Price indicated that the clean-up weekend went well and the food truck was a hit. She expressed that she would like to see a food truck event every third Saturday of the month. The Food Truck would set up at the square in town.
- \*Motion made by Brandie Bourne and seconded by Michelle Green to proceed with the Food Truck Event as stated. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor. The next Food Truck Event would be June 19<sup>th</sup> with Bunker Hill BBQ & Michael's confections participating.

#### **PAY BILLS**

\*Motion made by Brandie Bourne and seconded by Steve Adams to pay bills from respective funds. All council members present were in favor.

# **FISCAL OFFICER**

\*N/A

#### **POLICE**

- \*Heard that Mayor Gardner and Police Chief Stearns interviewed a candidate for a part time patrolman's position. Gardner agreed to appointment and hire Brandon Bishop for the position with council's permission. Bishop has experience with Midvale and Roswell as an patrolman and lives in Newcomerstown. He is willing to work unlimited hours.
- \*Motion made by Joe Bourne and seconded by Steve Adams to hire Bishop as a part time patrolman with a six-month probation period. Roll Call taken as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Steve Adams yay, James Thornton yay, Michelle Green yay, Brandie Bourne yay and Ed Steffek yay.

## **STREET**

- \*Heard that the Community Block Grant Paving Project on St Clairsville Street has been completed.
- \*Was informed that there is a big hole on Welch & N. High Street; caused by the Gas Company while doing the recent gas line replacement. Mayor Gardner will contact the Gas Company to ensure it is repaired.

## **ZONING**

\*Zoning Inspector DJ Meek indicated that no new zoning permits have been issued. However, he has been fielding numerous calls.

#### COCHRAN

\*No Reporting - Absent

## INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR

\*No Reporting

#### MAYOR

- \* Mayor Gardner expressed gratitude for everyone who helped make the Memorial Day a success. He estimated about 300 people were at the cemetery for the services.
- \*Discussed the overflow of the trash dumpster at the village building. Currently, refuse is being picked up twice a month. **Motion was made by Brandie Bourne and** seconded by James Thornton to have Kimble Refuse increase pick up to every week. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.
- \*Discussed purchasing a new sound system for village events. Currently, the village has been using the Baseball League's system. **Motion made by Joe Bourne and** seconded by James Thornton to purchase a new system and a flexible mic. Mayor Gardner will handle the purchase.

## JOE BOURNE

- \*Heard that over 500 chicken dinners were sold within two hours during that Memorial Day Event.
- \*Bourne thanked all the firemen and families for their participation to make the Memorial Day BBQ a success.

## STEVE ADAMS

\*Adams was appreciative of the Memorial Day Events

# JAMES THORNTON

\*No Reporting

## **BRANDIE BOURNE**

- \*Heard that the light on the back of the Fire Station needs replaced.
- \*Discussed community yard sale regulations. The village ordinance states community yard sales can be held on the first weekend of June, and the weekend of Labor Day. The village residents can also have three other days during the summer of their choice for yard sales.

# MICHELLE GREEN

Darissa R. Lute, Fiscal Officer

- \*Heard that the County Library did receive the grant for Wi-Fi Service. The Wi-Fi will be put in the concession stand at Belden Park and will cover the pavilion and bleachers. It will be available from dawn to dusk.
- \*Heard that the County Pop Up Library will begin Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm. This will be held in the old town hall @ 109 E. Main St. Port Washington. Library services will be available for adults and children.

Date

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