

PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Joe Bourne, Ed Steffek, Nate Penrod, Steve Adams, Michelle Green

ABSENT: Brandie Bourne

OTHER ATTENDEES: Rick Swiger, Donna Meek, DJ Meek

VISITORS: Nancy Bourne, Kevin Meek, Chris Smith

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 Ed Steffek to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes from regular meeting held September 21, 2021. All council members present were in favor.

VISITORS

\*Residents Kevin Meek and Chris Smith issued a complaint concerning the zoning regulations of installing fencing. Meek indicated that he complied with the zoning regulations of installing his fencing 3 foot from the property line. However, his neighbor (Hursey) did not comply with the 3 foot regulation and has placed their fencing onto his property. Zoning Inspector DJ Meek has spoken with Meek and Hursey's numerous times concerning the issue. Nothing has been resolved.

PAY BILLS

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

FISCAL OFFICER

\*Heard that F.O. contacted the Baker Attorney Firm concerning the eligibility of the American Rescue Funding Projects. As of date, the attorney's firm has not issued an opinion letter for the proposed project. But via email the firm stated that the village projects were a go and we could proceed. Councilmember Joe Bourne will proceed with the project to replace the generator in the Fire Dept./Village Hall.

POLICE

\*Was informed that 14 tickets have been issued in the last three months by patrolman Bishop.  
\*Heard that patrolman Lopez will be resigning; as he is moving out of the village corporation.

STREET

\*Was informed that the new Christmas Lights have arrived and are in the Street Dept. Garage.

ZONING

\*Was reported that two permits have recently been issued.

COCHRAN

\*No Reporting - Absent

INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR

\*Reviewed the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Municipal Incomed Tax Report with \$103,926.86 received to date for year 2021. \$28,826.43 was received for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Heard that \$4394 is outstanding and owed for 2019 and \$4770 is outstanding and owed for 2020.

MAYOR

\*Council President Bourne; opened two sealed bids for the sale of the vacant lot at 105 W. Main Street. \$11,100 from Tony Martin was accepted as the high bid. Bid of \$10,525 was received from Ed Steffek.

\*Discussed the removal and trimming of trees on the village lot at 105 W. Main and trees at the Cemetery. No action was taken.

JOE BOURNE

\*Bourne will handle the American Rescue Project for the purchase and installation of a new generator. The second project for the restroom addition at the Street Dept. Garage will be completed next year.

\*Reminder issued that the Square Dance will be held at the Fire Station – Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

\*Heard that the next Fire Dept. Breakfast will be Saturday – Nov. 13th at 8am.

STEVE ADAMS

\*Discussed the possibility of a flashing sign with speed notification to drivers. This would slow traffic on Main Street/Rt. 36.

NATE PENROD

\*Discussed the procedure in issuing Notices for Junk Vehicles.

BRANDIE BOURNE

\*No Reporting - Absent

MICHELLE GREEN

\*Green distributed the invitations for the Dedication & Open House of the Union Hall Third Floor and Spiral Staircase. The event will be held on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> from 2-5pm.

\*Heard that Wendy Thornton would be interested in an open council seat when one becomes available.

ED STEFFEK

\*Steffek reported a complaint from resident Marcie Smith concerning an issue from the recent East Ohio Gas Project. The contractors left items on Smith’s property. Mayor Gardner indicated that he spoke with Smith and advised her that it is a civil issue and the village cannot get involved.

TREASURER’S REPORT

\* **Motion made by Joe Bourne** and seconded by Ed Steffek to accept the September 2021 Treasurer’s report with the following: \$440,869.28 General Fund, \$84,318.17 Street Construction, \$2,819.30 State Highway, \$2,693.42 Cemetery Fund, \$32,642.45 Permissive Vehicle Tax, .84 Coronavirus Fund, \$29,592.46 ARPA Fund, \$2,317.34 Capital Project, \$1830.00 Mayor’s Court. With a total of all funds \$597,083.26. Reports included the bank reconciliation report, bank statements, detailed receipt report, fund report, appropriation status report and payment listing. All council members present were in favor.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting will be October 19, 2021 at 7:00pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date  
Thomas J. Gardner, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_ Date  
Darissa R. Lute, Fiscal Officer

**RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

**Motion moved** by Michelle Green and seconded by Joe Bourne to pass as emergency basis **(RESOLUTION 20-2021)** for the amending of the 2021 Appropriations. All council members present were in favor. **Motion moved** by Steve Adams to enact said **RESOLUTION 20-2021** as stated. Motion was seconded by Michelle Green and all council members present were in favor.