

PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER ATTENDEES: Rick Swiger, DJ Meek

VISITORS: Nancy Bourne, Jacquie Price

PLEDGE

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

SWEARING IN

**Motion was made by Brandie Bourne** and seconded by Michelle Green to appoint Nathan Penrod as a council member. Penrod will fill the empty seat of James Thornton. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

Solicitor Michael Cochran then swore in Nathan Penrod as village councilman.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

**Motion was made by Joe Bourne** and seconded by Steve Adams to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes from regular meeting held August 17, 2021. All council members present were in favor.

VISITORS

\*Hear from visitor/resident Jacquie Price that there is grant available for disabled people under 59. Applicants can receive up to \$6000 in expenses. Inquiries can contact Price for further information.

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

\*Hear that the 2022 Budget hearing will be held at the next regular meeting.

POLICE

\*Hear that village patrolman Bishop has been busy writing speeding tickets.

STREET

\*Hear that there is road damage issues that are related to the recent East Ohio Gas lines installed in the village. Mayor Gardner will contact East Ohio Gas to resolve the issues.

\*Street Supervisor Swiger received the stencil for the RailRoad sign. Swiger will repaint the RailRoad signs.

\*Hear that Mayor Gardner will check with Bates Metal whether signs for the street department are ready.

ZONING

\*Zoning inspector DJ Meek indicated that one permit has been amended.

## COCHRAN

\*No Reporting

## INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR

\*Reminder was issued for all village residents to file 2020 municipal income tax forms.

\*Reviewed a flyer for the proposed ½% increase in municipal income tax; which will be placed on the November Ballot. This flyer will be mailed to all residents encouraging residents to vote yes on the November Ballot.

## MAYOR

\*Heard that the City of Uhrichsville has made an offer of \$15,000 for the 2003 Street Dept. Truck.

**Motion made by Joe Bourne and** seconded by Steve Adams to accept the offer by the City of Uhrichsville for the Street Dept. Truck. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

\*Mayor Gardner asked council to reconsider the donation of the Christmas Tree which will be placed on the square. Council agreed to view the location/placement and readdress the decision at the next council meeting.

## JOE BOURNE

\*Heard that the batteries were replaced in the urinal at Belden Park.

\*Bourne indicated that a opinion letter will be sent from the Baker's Attorney Firm for the proposed ARPA projects. Once the village receives the opinion letter; then the village will proceed with the projects. A restroom project is proposed for the Street Department Building. And a generator is proposed for the village hall/fire department building.

\*Heard that there were 3 calls for the month of August for the Delaware Fire Dept.

\*Was reminded that the fire department will have breakfast from 8-11am on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

## STEVE ADAMS

\*Adams indicated that he is in favor of the proposed ½% municipal income tax increase.

## NATE PENROD

\*Discussed options with sidewalk problems and trees in the village. Agreed to set a tree commission meeting to review the problems and possible options available to resolve these issues.

\*Discussed whether the village would benefit from hiring a company to sweep the streets in the village a couple times a year. Councilmembers were in favor.

## BRANDIE BOURNE

\*Heard that Nate Penrod will replace James Thornton on the Tri County Committee. Penrod will replace Thornton on all other committees as well.

\*Heard that Tri-County is expanding with their transportation contracts.

## MICHELLE GREEN

\*No Reporting

ED STEFFEK

\*No Reporting

TREASURER'S REPORT

\* **Motion made by Brandie Bourne** and seconded by Steve Adams to accept the August 2021 Treasurer's report with the following: \$441,386.13 General Fund, \$66,523.14 Street Construction, \$2,756.23 State Highway, \$2,688.82 Cemetery Fund, \$32,247.14 Permissive Vehicle Tax, .84 Coronavirus Fund, \$29,952.18 ARPA Fund, \$2,317.34 Capital Project, \$0.00 Mayor's Court. With a total of all funds \$577,511.82. 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 September 21, 2021 at 7:00pm.

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Thomas J. Gardner, Mayor

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Date

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Darissa R. Lute, Fiscal Officer

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Date