

PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: Steve Adams

OTHER ATTENDEES: Rick Swiger

VISITORS: Jacquie Price, Nancy Bourne

PLEDGE

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

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

**Motion was made by Brandie Bourne** and seconded by Michelle Green to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes from regular meeting held July 6, 2021. All council members present were in favor.

VISITORS

\*Resident Jacquie Price updated council on the fund raising of Christmas Lights for the village. She indicated that there are 11 sponsors to date. A sponsor is \$500 for one pole light.

**Motion made by Michelle Green** and seconded by Brandie Bourne to approve additional costs for added lighting for the Christmas Lights for the village. The village will pay the costs for the lighting during the holiday season. All council members present were in favor.

PAY BILLS

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

FISCAL OFFICER

\*N/A

POLICE

\*No Reporting

STREET

\*Heard that a public entity may be interested in purchasing the old street dept. truck. If the entity does not approve the purchase within the week, the village will advertise the truck for sealed bids.

ZONING

\*No Reporting-Absent

COCHRAN

\*No Reporting – Absent

## INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR

\*No Reporting -Absent

## MAYOR

\*Discussed a request of the vacating of an alley for BL Companies for the construction of a new store in the village. Mayor Gardner indicated that BL Company will need to survey the alley. BL Companies will need to approach council for the request of the vacation. Council will then vote on the vacation of the alley. At that point an ordinance accepting the closing of the alley will be drawn up and passed. The ordinance will then be recorded at the court house for the vacation of the alley.

\***Motion made by Brandie Bourne and** seconded by Michelle Green to approve the posting for 30 days of silhouettes for the Substance Prevention Services in the vicinity of the cannons in the town square. The silhouettes will be posted from August 31<sup>st</sup> through October 1<sup>st</sup>. All council members present were in favor.

\*Reviewed a quote from A.R.C. (Dave Menefee) for the construction of a bathroom at the Street Department Building. The quote was for \$17,855.00. This project will be submitted for American Rescue Funding. The quote does not include the well or sewer hookup.

**Motion made by James Thornton and** seconded by Brandie Bourne to accept and proceed with the above stated quote when the American Rescue Funding is available. All council members present were in favor.

## JOE BOURNE

\*Heard that a public entity may be interested in purchasing the old street dept. truck. If the entity does not approve the purchase within the week, the village will advertise the truck for sealed bids.

\*Bourne inquired to whether American Rescue Funding could be used to purchase a new generator. As the current generator is old and parts for repairs are becoming a problem in obtaining. The generator is a necessity in order to keep power restored to the village hall and the fire department to operate during emergency situations. Residents obtain water from the fire department when needed during emergencies and the building is used as a disaster location for emergencies.

## STEVE ADAMS

\*No Reporting - Absent

## JAMES THORNTON

\*Thornton indicated that he will be moving outside of the village in the near future. He will officially submit his resignation as requested. Heard that Thornton's council seat will be open for appointment by council. Thornton's term will expire Dec. 31, 2021.

BRANDIE BOURNE

\*Bourne indicated that she received a quote from Seth Morrison for some concrete work in front of the village hall and fire department. The quote was for \$4200 and work would be completed sometime this fall. Salem township would assist in the sod removal and hauling of concrete.

**Motion made by Brandie Bourne** and seconded by Michelle Green to approve and proceed with the project. All council members present were in favor.

\*Bourne indicated that complaints about pot holes on Lincoln Drive as well as vehicles traveling too fast. Street Supervisor Swiger will check out the complaint and see if there is a resolution to the problem.

MICHELLE GREEN

\*Heard a request for the handicap parking signage to be repainted. The handicap parking is located in front of the Historical Society Building.

\*Green indicated that the WiFi at the park is almost ready for installation. Mayor Gardner will be the contact for this project.

ED STEFFEK

\*No Reporting

TREASURER'S REPORT

\*No Reporting

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting will be August 3, 2021 at 7:00pm.

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

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

**RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

**Motion moved** by Brandie Bourne and seconded by Michelle Green to pass as emergency basis **(RESOLUTION 11-2021)** for the amending of the 2021 Appropriations. All council members present were in favor. **Motion moved** by James Thornton to enact said **RESOLUTION 11-2021** as stated. Motion was seconded by Ed Steffek and all council members present were in favor.

**Motion moved by** Ed Steffek and seconded by Joe Bourne to pass as emergency basis **(Ordinance # 2021-6)** for the sale of vacant lot 105 W. Main Street (Ugly Mug Property). All council members present were in favor. **Motion moved** by James Thornton to enact said **Ordinance # 2021-6** as stated. Motion was seconded by Michelle Green and all council members present were in favor