

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION REGARDING THE FUTURE OF POLICE PROTECTION IN THE VILLAGE.

Held at the Miami Township Hall, 112 S. Miami Ave, Cleves OH and via Zoom, August 19, 2020.

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Mayor Myers opened the Public Hearing on the Future of Police Protection in the Village at 6:30 PM. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. Mr. Williams, Ms. Meister, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Brady and Mr. Burns were present. Village Administrator Rahall, Solicitor Nicholas and Captain Butler were also present.

Mayor Myers explained the process for those in attendance to address Council, stating that anyone who wished to speak could sign in on the sheets at the rear of the room. He said they would be called on to speak in the order they had signed in.

Those in attendance asked questions of The Mayor, Council, Administrator Rahall, Captain Butler and Sgt. Habig.

**There Being No Further Business to Come before the Council, Mayor Myers closed the Public Hearing at 8:28 PM.**



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Mayor Myers began the Council Meeting at 8:40 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. Mrs. Brady, Mr. Williams, Ms. Meister, Mrs. Myers, and Mr. Burns were present. Mrs. Peter was absent. Village Administrator Rahall and Solicitor Nicholas were also present.

**A Motion to Approve the Tax Budget Hearing Minutes from July 8, 2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**A Motion to Approve the Previous Council Meeting Minutes for July 8, 2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #6-2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mrs. Brady. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #7-2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mrs. Brady. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #8-2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.**

## SPECIAL GUESTS

NONE

## HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

NONE

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

**RESOLUTION # 6-2020 - A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT AND REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF THE VILLAGE OF CLEVES ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE BORROWER) TO REIMBURSE ITS GENERAL FUND FOR THE MIAMI AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE III, CT14X WITH THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT DEBT OF THE STATE OF OHIO.**

Mrs. Myers moved to Approve Resolution 6-2020: seconded by Mrs. Brady. ALL IN FAVOR.

**RESOLUTION # 7-2020 - TO APPROVE A RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH THE THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT THE THREE RIVERS EDUCATIONAL CAMPUS; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND THE POLICE CHIEF TO SIGN THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE POLICE CHIEF TO ASSIGN A MEMBER OF THE VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO THE POSITION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**

Mrs. Myers moved to Approve Resolution 7-2020: seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.

## DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

### WATER

Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen was not in attendance. Administrator Mike Rahall updated Council on the Water Department. He reported 33.5 million gallons were pumped in July. He shared that the work was in progress on the Miami Township Water Line extensions.

### SERVICE

Service Director Knuf was not in attendance. Administrator Mike Rahall updated Council on the Service Departments activities, which included grass cutting at the drainage swale near Skyline, assisting the Water

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Works with Main Breaks, pot hole patching, general grass cutting and removal of a tree on US 50. He also stated that Morgan Creek had been cut, which Ms. Meister had asked about at the July meeting.

## **FIRE**

Chief Ober was not in attendance.

## **POLICE**

Sgt. Habig did not stay for the meeting after the Public Hearing regarding the Police Department.

## **VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Village Administrator Rahall informed Council that the Petition, which was being circulated during the Public Hearing, would be checked and reviewed when submitted. The dates for the Initiative Process are set by the State of Ohio, and would be followed

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Mrs. Myers, Planning and Zoning:** Mrs. Myers stated the Committee was in discussions regarding the Backscheider Variance, the property owner had a conflict with the previous Planning and Zoning Committee meeting but he did attend this month's meeting. He provided additional background information and the Committee went to the property in order to see the lay of the land, and the proposed improvement sites. He was advised on what could be done without the need for a variance and he agreed to supply additional information for the Planning and Zoning Committee to work with him on the other project items under review. The Quarry property is still looking at options to move forward, and if so, the access road would be coming out into the circle on Cooper. The Access road will be constructed on an easement on the school property. The Holland group is looking into options of tenants but has nothing to discuss currently.

**Mr. Burns, Parks:** Mr. Burns asked if the Access for the Quarry had been cleared by MSD and he was informed MSD had approved the proposed entrance. Mr. Burns reported that the WTFA Soccer Organization was negotiating a partial payment of their normal Fees for use of the fields as a goodwill gesture as soccer has withdrawn for the season. He said the donation was to be earmarked for reseeding and maintenance of the fields. The seeding will be chosen based on the test seeding performed last year. He also reported that the tree-planting project was still being considered. He said Mr. John Knuf was investigating the best type of trees for the park's setting.

**Mr. Williams, Safety:** Mr. Williams reported that Sgt. Habig had updated the Committee on a new combination of Drugs making its way through the area. He said the COVID- 19 pandemic had caused a change in the Departments response with the Fire Department on Life Squad runs. The Police Department is no longer responding automatically on non-life threatening runs. He stated the we have adequate supplies of PPE for our Officers protection. Mr. Williams reported that the Police Budget received the bulk of the discussion. Sgt. Habig discussed the Department's budget and issues in attracting and retaining Officers. The budget amounts recommended by Sgt. Habig to the Committee were \$722,000.00 for the next year. He said they could operate on a minimum budget of \$674,000.00. Sgt Habig requested a meeting with Administrator Rahall and Fiscal Officer Brett, which Mayor Myers and Mr. Rahall said they were glad to set up.

**Mrs. Peter, Finance:** Mrs. Peter was not in attendance. Administrator Rahall reported that the bulk of the meeting was spent on the Police Budget line item discussions as well as options were discussed for funding and the cost of a Village run department vs. a potential contract with the Hamilton County Sheriff were reviewed.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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Mayor Myers announced the following:


**August Service Anniversaries**

- Justin Habig – Police Officer
- Brian Gilligan – Clerk of Courts
- Evan Koons – Police Clerk/Planning and Zoning

**Mayor's Court Report - July**

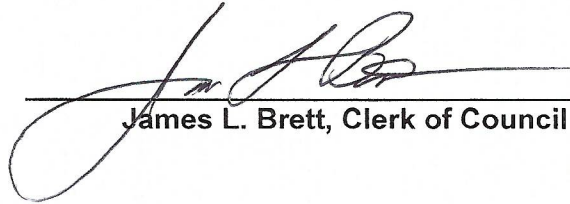
- a. Total Received: \$3,128.00
- b. Disbursed to Cleves: \$2,644.00
- c. Hamilton County Auditor: \$13.50
- d. State of Ohio: \$620.50

**A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 9:03 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mrs. Brady.  
ALL IN FAVOR.**



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