

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on August 11, 2021. Meeting Held via Electronic Communications – Zoom Meeting

Mayor Myers began the Council Meeting at 7:02 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken. Mrs. Brady, Mr. Williams, Ms. Meister, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Burns and Mrs. Peter were present. Village Administrator Rahall and Solicitor Nicholas were also present.

Motion to Approve Tax Budget Meeting Minutes from July 14, 2021 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mrs. Brady. ALL IN FAVOR.

Motion to Approve Previous Council Meeting Minutes from July 14, 2021 with the correction of Lt. Stuckey, not Sgt. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR.

A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #8-2021 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mrs. Brady. ALL IN FAVOR.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Chuck Birkholtz asked the following questions:

Mr. Birkholtz asked, do we have a Sheriff's car 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the Village? Lt. Stuckey explained that the Village contracts for a 12 Hr. a day and the other 12 Hrs. are covered by the Sheriff. Mr. Birkholtz asked if there was ever a time a car was not in the Village. Lt. Stuckey replied that there is always a car available to respond to the Village, even if the Village car is on another detail either in the Village or outside the Village.

Mr. Birkholtz asked, about a time on July 25, 2021 when the records show the 9V12 car was called to 10463 Howard Rd. Lt. Stuckey said she was not familiar with that particular call and could not address what was happening at that time. She noted that if the car assigned to Cleves is on a detail, in or out of the Village, backups are available from the Miami Twp. car and the 2 Western cars that cover the adjoining Townships. She said it is almost 50/50 on our cars going to the Twp. runs and theirs to our for mutual aide because runs are now 2 car runs.

Mr. Birkholtz stated a number of Mayors Court cases, as he had determined, were dismissed. He stated he understands the Sheriff's Department will likely not dismiss as many charges. Mr. Birkholtz asked if the Sheriff can issue citations for violations of local ordinances, for example Zoning violations? Mr. Rahall explained that the Sheriff can cite violators to Housing Court in Hamilton County. He explained that the Village had cited people to other courts even when the Mayors Court was operating. He provided the example of having several cases of illegal dumping assigned to other courts.

Mr. Pat Bradley asked if there was a Village ordinance regarding parking vehicles in yards and on streets for extended times. Mr. Rahall said he would have the Zoning Inspector and Sheriff look into the address Mr. Bradley was asking about.

Ms. Carrie Bernard, Hamilton County Public Library – Miami Township discussed the branches extended hours. Unfortunately, Ms. Bernard's connection to the zoom meeting was not working well. She said she would email the other library updated to Mrs. Myers.

Ms. Judith Boyce spoke in support of the Sheriff's policing in the Village. She stated the Community Policing was vastly improved over the Village Department's. She also stated that the Web Site provides excellent information and looks very professional.

SPECIAL GUESTS

NONE

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 16 – 2021 - AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONE OHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

Mr. Rahall explained that we received the information on the Settlement late last Thursday. He apologized for the last-minute distribution of the information, but explained that by the time he and Fiscal Officer Jim Brett had researched the issue, it was a last-minute addition.

Mrs. Myers moved to Approve Resolution 16-2021: seconded by Mr. Williams.

ALL IN FAVOR

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE

Lt. Stuckey attended and provided the following information. The statistics for July, 2021 included 192 calls for service bringing the total for the year to 1,087. Of the calls 52 were non-billable, bringing that total to 370 for the year.

FIRE

Fire Chief Brien Lacey provided the Department run totals in the Village for July as follows: 3 Fire details, and 33 EMS details. The Chief said the Department's training over the past month included swift water rescue. He also announced that Air Care had approved 3 landing sites including the site in the Cleves Park. The Chief announced that Business Fire Inspections were under way. He said the Business Owners in the Village had been very cooperative and the process was going well. The Chief said the New Station on East Miami is expected to be completed in February, 2022. Chief Lacey thanked Service Director, Mr. John Knuf, for his assistance in the demolition of the collapsed property on Lower River Rd. Chief Lacey also shared the Proclamation the Department received from the Hamilton County Health Department for their work during the past year associated with the Covid-19 Crisis.

SERVICE

Service Director Knuf asked Chief Lacey about the Air Care Site in the Park. They discussed several improvements and repairs to the site which would be helpful. Mr. Knuf said they continue with pothole repairs and roadside weed cutting. He stated the Soccer Fields had required a lot of effort to keep up with, but they are in great shape.

WATER

Superintendent, Mr. Eric Winhusen stated that 28 million gallons were pumped in July. He also stated that the initial phase of the water meter replacement was complete. He said 300 meters had been replaced. Mr. Winhusen said the Water Tank Rehabilitation Project was on schedule and going well. Mr. Burns asked if there had been any pressure issues with the use of the temporary storage units while the tank work has been going on. Mr. Winhusen said he was actually surprised how well the temporary units were working, saying they had received no complaints. Mrs. Myers asked about a complaint she was aware of. Mr. Winhusen replied that they investigated the complaint and found that the property owner's pressure regulator had failed and needed to be replaced. It was not the Villages' issue.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator, Mr. Mike Rahall stated that repairs and paving on St. Rt. 264 was scheduled to begin sometime in the next few weeks. He said the paving was expected to be completed through October. Mr. Rahall said Soccer Season in the Park was underway. He said the Kickoff weekend tournament had over 100 games. He said the fields held up very well.

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Mr. Rahall announced that August 25 is the date for the 50th Annual Gravelrama Parade. The Parade will start at 6:30 PM and is expected to be larger than normal because of the 50th year anniversary.

Mr. Rahall said the park equipment bids were advertised as of today. He stated that Ms. Joy Pierson, the Community Development Block Grant Coordinator, had resigned to take a position with another community, but he felt our project was in good shape as far as approvals.

Mr. Rahall said the discussion with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department continued regarding the Policing Contract with the Village.

Mr. Rahall discussed the Recycling Dumpsters which are continually overflowing. He said a larger dumpster will be placed at the Service department location and a sign will be placed near the unit at the Administration Building directing people to the Service department location if that dumpster is full. He reminded everyone that home recycling pick-up is available for \$4.00 per month. The service can be added by calling the Waterworks Office.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Myers announce that there were no Committee Meetings held in August, he asked if any Council Members had anything to discuss.

Mr. Burns said he would like to hold a Parks Committee Meeting in September to discuss the Christmas walk.

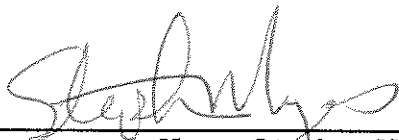
MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor stated he had nothing further to add at this time.

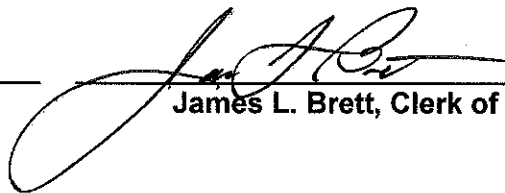
There being no further business:

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:38 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams.

ALL IN FAVOR.



Mayor Stephen Myers



James L. Brett, Clerk of Council