RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on January 13, 2021. Meeting Held via Electronic Communications - Zoom Meeting

Mayor Myers began the Council Meeting at 7:00 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 Previous Council Meeting Minutes from December 9, 2020 was made by Mrs. Myers; ALL IN FAVOR. seconded by Mr. Williams.

A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #1-2021 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mrs. Brady.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Mayor Myers asked for nominations for Vice Mayor for 2021. A Motion to appoint Mr. Todd Williams as Vice Mayor for 2021 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mrs. Peter.

SPECIAL GUESTS

NONE

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Robert Burwell stated that he had attended the November 2020 Council Meeting to ask about the dedication of an easement for a drainage pipe between his property and his neighbor. Mayor Myers informed him the easement dedication was on the agenda for this meeting.

Mr. John James Clark asked if the Water Works review Board was still in existence. Mayor Myers informed him it was not. Village Administrator, Mr. Mike Rahall, stated that the Review Board was discontinued when he was appointed as Administrator, Mr. Clark asked if he should contact Mr. Rahall with questions. Mr. Rahall answered yes, anytime.

Mr. Clark also asked about the baseball fields, stating he is the TRCAA Baseball Coordinator. He asked about the ballfield dirt purchased last year and what fields it was placed on. He also asked about the FEMA Money and if any of those funds were being used to purchase additional ballfield Dirt. Mr. Rahall responded that he is still investigating what funding is available to the park, what it can be used for and which fields if not all. John Knuf has also already has discussions with Mr. Andy Heckman, our contact for TRCAA, regarding the fields. Mr. Burns asked about the ballfields dirt purchased last year and its condition after the flood. Mr. Rahall replied that it appeared that most of the dirt had survived the flooding because it had not been spread out prior to the flooding.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 1 – 2021 A RESOLUTION CONSENTING THAT THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION MAY COMPLETE THE REPAIR WORK ON STATE ROUTE 264.

After discussing the scope of work and any possible additional expenses to the Village, Mrs. Myers moved to **ALL IN FAVOR** Approve Resolution 1-2021; seconded by Mr. Burns.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 - 2021 A RESOLUTION DEDICATING EASEMENT AT 236 AND 240 NEWPINE DRIVE. **ALL IN FAVOR** Mrs. Myers moved to Approve Resolution 2-2021: seconded by Mrs. Brady.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 - 2021 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO PURCHASE A

SERVICE TRUCK FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Myers moved to Approve Resolution 3-2021: seconded by Mr. Williams.

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POLICE

Sgt. Schlasinger reported the following statistics for December. The Department had 133 billable calls for service, 58 non-billable, 8 cases assigned, 2 cases closed, not stolen property recovered, 12 criminal reports and 2 non-criminal reports, no auto accidents and 30 mutual aide calls. Mr. Burns asked if it was possible to compile a response time for dispatches and if that figure is available, could it be compiled for the Village Police Department prior to the Sheriff taking over. Sgt. Schlasinger said he would see if he could pull that information together. Mrs. Brady asked if we had any records of that in the past reports. Mr. Rahall stated not to his knowledge.

FIRE

Chief Brien Lacy reported the following run totals for December: 4 Fire details, and 19 EMS details, including the delivery of a new resident with the birth of a baby by the EMS Unit. Run totals for the year 2020 were 48 Fire details, and 306 EMS details. As a note, the Chief reported Miami Township was dispatched to 162 Mutual Aid calls in 2020, 80 of which were to Whitewater Township.

Chief Lacy thanked Service Director, Mr. John Knuf, for maintenance inspections and for his quick action in upgrading the signs at the new Fuel Station at the Service Department. The Chief also reminded everyone that they have address signs available at a low cost for residents that are reflective and helpful in locating addresses when looking for them. The Chief discussed painting fire hydrants and recommended the village look into the service Miami Township uses if interested. He also asked who is responsible for maintaining the Air Care Landing area located in the Park. Mayor Myers asked Mr. Rahall if he would ask Mr. Knuf to look into it, what we are responsible for and what needs to be done.

Administrator Rahall presented the Water and Service Department Reports.

SERVICE

Mr. Rahall stated that Service Director Knuf reports that the Christmas Decorations have been removed and stored for next year. The Department assisted North Bend and Addyston in taking down their Decorations as well. The Department has been working on pot holes and has made repairs to a sewer intake, replacing the blacktop surrounding it, on Lower River Rd. Mr. Rahall stated Mr. Knuf was happy to report that there had been no Snow Plowing required so far this year.

WATER

Mr. Rahall stated that Water Superintendent Eric Winhusen advises that the Gum Run and Mt Nebo extension project has been completed, funded by Miami Twp. and we are waiting on the final Pay request to finalize the project. He also said 25.0 million gallons were pumped in December.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator, Mr. Mike Rahall said he must sadly report that long time Village Employee, Ms. Mollie Hill, has passed away. He said she was a special member of our staff and would be greatly missed. Mr. Rahall also added that long time JMA Engineer, Mr. Dan Schaffer, who had assisted the Village on many projects over the past years had also passed away.

Mr. Rahall announced that approximately \$31,000.00 in expenses were submitted to Hamilton County for reimbursement through the Hamilton County CARES Act COVID-19 Funding. He expects the request to be granted

Mr. Rahall noted that services were being planned for Ms. Hill, however with the rising number of COVID-9 cases, he felt reluctant to attend. He asked Fiscal Officer, Mr. Jim Brett, who also serves as a member of the Hamilton County Board of Health, if he could add anything to the current COVID situation. Mr. Brett stated that as much as he would like to attend the service, he could not endorse attending a gathering such as a funeral.

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He encouraged everyone to listen to Governor DeWine's news conference on Thursday, saying he expected the numbers in Hamilton County to take a turn for the worse.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Myers reported that there had been no Committee Meetings due to the resurgence of COVID-19. He asked if any Members had anything, they would like to bring up. No one had anything requiring an update at this time.

Mr. Burns discussed the possibility of adding a Frisbee Golf Course to the Park facilities. He mentioned needing to think about beginning any planning processes soon if we wish to use any of the Grant Money we have applied for to fund different projects.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Report:

- 1. No Service Anniversaries
- 2. Mayor's Court Report December
 - a. Total Received \$1660.00
 - b. Disbursed to Cleves: \$1491.00
 - C. Hamilton County Auditor: \$3.00
 - d. State of Ohio: \$166.00

The Mayor stated Council Committee Members would remain the same for 2021 as they were in 2020. Mayor Myers took a moment to remember Mollie Hill. He stated she was a great asset to the Village as well as a great person.

There being no further business:

A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:32 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Mayor Stephen Myers

Dames L. Brett, Clerk of Council