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COUNCIL MEETING

Held August 3, 2021

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The Council convened at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Office. Mayor Jim Nelson called the Council session to order with the following members present:

COUNCIL: Jim Nelson, Mark Wicker, Elaine McFarland, Cheryl Friend, Jym Longstreth, Harry Strain, Jesse Mann

Guest: Sean Root - OHM, Ameer Sword, Sheila Hiddleston, Liz Barker, Zachary Thatcher

Abs: David Lockhart and Renee Rarick

The audience and council were reminded to silence all cell phones. The audience was informed that they were to state their names any time they wanted to talk during the community comments and requests section of the meeting or at any other time during the meeting.

Council was reminded to state their names when making a motion and when they seconded the motion. The person making the motion would write the motion down so it could be read again prior to a vote and then the written motion would be given to the Fiscal Officer for the record.

MINUTES

Cheryl Friend made a motion to approve the July 6, 2021 meeting minutes. Mark Wicker seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jim Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0**

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Sheila Hiddleston is here to discuss some general updates. Overdose fatality report is up 25 from the year before. Olentangy river clean up flyer to pass out. Flyer for kids left in cars. Discussed covid numbers and vaccination numbers. Jim Nelson brought up the suicide rate has gone up. Sheila stated that they have not completed that report to see any numbers yet.

Ameer from the library mentioned they would be at the corn show to sell books.

Sean Root – mentioned that we could get chip & seal \$10 sq yd. Grants apps due 8/27/21. New grant American rescue plan act. Sean will get with Renee on this. Nomination starts 8/27/2021. Will be nominating the design for the WWTP. Jesse mentioned they are getting ready to pass the transportation bill. Should we hold off on this until we can see about getting the grant money. Sean mentioned that more competitive and lots of other agencies going after this money. Jesse ask about refinancing our currently loans in to new loans. Sean will check into that.

Mitch ask Amy if she filled out the application for the sign. No she hasn't but she will get that done. Mitch ask Jim ask if he received an application from the beverage barn or the dairy barn. They have new signs on the side of their building. Waiting on application from Joe from land plan.

FISCAL OFFICER

Cheryl Friend made motion to approve the June 2021 bank reconciliation, Elaine McFarland seconded.

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Appropriation Ordinance 2021-006

Mark Wicker moved to suspend the rules, Elaine McFarland seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jym Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0 abs.**

Harry Strain moved to declare an emergency Cheryl Friend seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jym Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0 abs.**

Elaine McFarland moved to adopt, Jym Longstreth seconded

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
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Cheryl Friend explained the Financial worksheet for 2022 Estimated Revenue.

Cheryl Friend made a motion to accept the estimated resources for 2022 that is due to the auditors by August 15, 2021. Jym Longstreth seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jym Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0 abs.**

POLICE –Zach is here to fill in for Chief Santos. Schedule is set for corn show coverage. Mike Baker has resigned from a full time officer to an auxiliary. Two pamphlets have been created by the police. We will be passing these out at the corn show. Still waiting on new police vehicle. We are still working with the Delaware County prosecutor on 17 W. Vine Street. Zach talked about a few break ins happening on Shoemaker Road. Couldn't go into too much detail.

PERSONNEL – Renee added to the agenda for merit raises for office and maintenance employees. Jim ask when do we give out raises and Cheryl indicated it is in the winter. Cheryl ask if they have hired anyone to fill in for Randy while he is off. Yes, we have hired a guy named Jeff Hunt and Randy is not very good on passing on his knowledge. Cheryl wanted to know if there is a chart on the employees like she presented for the police. Jim thought she has one for the office and maintenance employees too.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS - We still have the state coming to do some paving on 229. We purchase the materials and they will do the work.

PARKS & RECS – There have been some issues with the lifeguards. They have commitments and they say they can't work. So those days we have to close the pool. Elaine is ready for the season to be over. Elaine is going to try something different next year to try and get reliable lifeguards. RayJean Brown is interested in running the pool next year. So this will be a plus.

SAFETY/STREETS/ALLEYS – The guys have been doing a little patching and trimming some trees in alleys. We have 3 residents we are moving meters from inside to out. Junk man is going to get new service there. Finally getting water service after 4 years. So he is buying one tap. Randy is changing out the other line because it is a mess.

Jesse Mann volunteered to go to the August 26, 2021 Regional Planning Committee Meeting.

Update from TJ on the sewer plant. We received the new bulbs. The box was damaged and TJ is getting

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what was damaged replaced. He has ordered some valves.

Ordinance 2021-004 – Shortcuts through Lots (2nd Reading)

Ordinance 2021-005– Litter Removal (2nd Reading)

We have a letter from the Legion to close the streets for the corn show.

Jym Longstreth made a motion to approve the street closing for the Ashley Corn Show. Mark Wicker seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jym Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0 abs.**

Resolution 2021-011 – Approve the OHM Design Proposal WWTP Phase 2

Jym Longstreth moved to suspend the rules, Mark Wicker seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker - yes, Elaine McFarland - yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Jym Longstreth – yes, Harry Strain – yes, Motion Passed 5-0 abs.**

Elaine McFarland moved to declare an emergency Cheryl Friend seconded.

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The language from past resolution for the police levy is incorrect. Employee vs. Employer. It was brought up to the secretary of state on the error and they were fine with it but it needed to be voted in that is an error. Delaware county was going to have a meeting and amend the resolution but they cancelled that meeting. This needs to be done and submitted by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow. Amending is probably the clearest was to do this. Another issue is when a resolution is passed the fiscal officer needs to sign and our fiscal officer is on vacation. It was decided to amend the resolution to have Cheryl from Finance sign the document. Cheryl called Renee to see if she was able to receive a document thru docu-sign. Renee has her laptop and is able to receive an email to do this.

Res 2021-012 – Resolution to amend resolution 2021-012 the clerical error. Read by Jesse Mann.

Cheryl Friend made a motion to amend section 3 to include the mayor, Mark Wicker seconded.

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Jim Nelson indicated Cheryl is requesting an audit on the water deposits account. Cheryl thinks they can

All formal actions of the Meeting for Council of Village of Ashley concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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complete this audit in about 30 hours. Mark suggest if they can look at just 2020 and figure how an amount then give us a quote and go from there. Cheryl will get back with Jiallian & Grube.

Jerry Graham stopped in and wanted to know if the property we have north of town if he could hunt on it. Jim does not think it would be a good idea to allow hunting.

Mark Wicker made motion to pay the bills, Harry Strain seconded.

Elaine McFarland made the motion to adjourn until September 7, 2021, Jym Longstreth seconded.

Jim Nelson, Mayor

Renee Rarick