

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY COUNCIL

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800 325-8094 FORM NO 10148

Held July 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on July 19, 2021 at 7:30 pm in the Village of Fort Recovery Council Chambers to conduct regular business.

Roll call was conducted with the following Council members present: Erik Fiely, Cliff Wendel, Luke Knapke, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson and Al Post.

Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, Erin Abels, Leslie Gartrel, Bailey Cline, Neal Spencer and PG Jellison.

The mayor led with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Reports to Council: VA Report.

Minutes: Wendel made a motion to approve the July 06, 2021 minutes, Knapke seconded the motion. Vote all yes.

Mayor: We had an ambulance meeting last week. We passed the 2022 budget for the Ambulance District just like we did here at the last meeting. I also stopped at the National Night Out; looks like they had a good night.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES
None

Staugler: I have the June Bank Reconciliation for council approval.

Abels: I did get the vote in on the Perdue Pharmacy bankruptcy plan. I was able to get through some of the sidewalk policy. I also reviewed the garbage contract with Mahargs.

Diller: Projects:

Broadway / Elm Street Project update: We are down to the final draw request. The seeding and fertilizer will be done this fall. We did spray for weeds on a cool day after talking to Eric Jutte. I encourage you to tell anyone you talk to keep mowing. A great example is the Stammen and Metzger yards; they kept mowing and it almost looks like good grass. We ordered some blinking lights for the stop sign; we will get them up when they arrive.

Lime Sludge: I attended the webinar and will submit the paperwork; I will work with Choice One to complete the necessary information. The permit will be to land apply; anyone with an ODA fertilizer license can spread it on the ground

Lime Feed: The delivery is still on schedule. We will get it installed and submit it to EPA.

Water Department: Meters: These are being ordered should be coming. Fire Hydrant: They have received the wrench, as soon as they get caught up from vacations this will be completed.

Water tower maintenance: Randy talked to the guy from water tower maintenance, with the rain days we have had they said it should happen at the end of July or early August.

Sidewalk: I will finish up now that Erin has clarified the legalities of the policy. We will present to council for you to look at and review.

Tap Grant: ODOT has not gotten back with me yet. Their idea is maybe we can break the project into three phases. On one we would not get much ODOT help, the others we would. Kaup: I have not talked to Randy Chevalley, director of ODOT District 7. Diller: I put a call into Blake from ODOT today. More information will follow as we work through this.

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GIS System: They are coming July 26th to finish up mapping.

Rail Road Crossing: Randy reached out to the new contact, and he has not gotten back with him yet. I would like input from them on projected use of the tracks in next 10 years.

Paving: The milling company will not be able to be here tomorrow as originally planned. Date will be rescheduled.

Tax Levy: All necessary documents have been filed. The Levies will appear on the ballot in November. The next step is for them to give us the ballot language to review.

Mahargs: We currently have a 3-year contract with Mahargs with the ability to extend which was up in March. The current per bag fee is \$1.45 with 20 cents of that coming back to village to offset leaf and brush pick up. The prices have been the same for six years. Mike approached the mayor about changing the price. Mike kept telling me he was going to stop in to see me in the meantime he crossed paths with Dave. We have not signed anything to extend the existing contract. He said he needs to get more out of the garbage bags. He proposed we not raise the bag fee but that the village would get 10 cents less. The 20 cents we currently get generates close to \$6000 per year. It does not pay for brush and leaf pick up, but it is a help. Is it a requirement? No. There has been no change in 6-years, prior to this it was \$1.40 and it was raised a nickel.

Jared Laux arrived.

After talking to Erin, this is not a contract that costs the village money. We took quotes three years ago. Four companies picked up packets with only two returning them. Rumpke did but they left the bid for bags blank because they want to pick up with bins. The problem with that is everyone gets charged the same amount. A family of six gets charged the same as a widow lady. With 50% of our households having 1 to 2 people we feel like the bags are a fairer way to go; pay for what you use. Rumpke is not interested in bags. I am going on the impression they still don't want to do bags.

Pearson: Is this a new contract? Diller: Erin says if we want to change terms, we need a new contract. Mike has been doing the job for 30 years. They do a great job including the spring clean-up. Question is how do we want to go forward. Wendel: I know I have gotten charged \$7.50 for five bags. Diller: I have told him he needs to go back to the merchant to let them know that can't happen and instead he should give them a concession on the dumpster prices. Over the years I have seen different prices in different stores. I told Mike they can't do that when you have an agreement. I don't want the village to have to be the sales place. I think it is easier to go to the carryout to pick them up. Wendel: I don't think we should reduce what we take in, I think we should increase the price. Pearson: I second that too. I will give Mike a call and tell him to stop in. I agree, for 18 years we have collected the 20-cent fee. Kaup: He would like to keep the price the same so people didn't have to pay an increase. My opinion is it can go up but it is up to council. Pearson: I would question a 3-year contract with a 2-year extension. Diller: We can change the contract to allow for there to be a pricing change if signed before it expires. This time he was supposed to be in before the end of March. Schmitz: Is it in the terms that stores that sell, must sell for that price? Diller: The contract says the price, he must go back to the merchants and work a new deal. He sold 29,750 bags during 2020. Post: Can you raise the recycling bag fee? Diller: It is 70 cents a bag which we feel is enough to encourage people to use recycling bags. Kaup: He never said anything about raising those. Wendel: Does he get paid for those items? Diller: He took care of what he could and sells the rest to the recycling center. Aluminum, metals, and cardboard sometimes there is money to be made on those items. I question that since he uses garbage truck to pick it up. If that is everyone's preference I will sit down with Mike. Council was in agreement.

Park Board: Ball leagues are finished with the exception of Friday Men's softball, there is a tournament this weekend. All other ball teams are done.

Correction:
8/12/21
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Pool Operations: Things are going good; lessons are being conducted and there are pool parties being held.

Important Dates: Next Council Meeting. August 2, 2021 at 7:30pm.
We are coming to the end of our Sunday concerts. The final August 1st night is recognition night for the Community Foundation. Bill Bechtol will represent the Park Board.

Diller: We need an executive discussion to discuss employee wage reviews.

Chief: I was just at the WOW meeting talking about safety. The Tractor Pulls are July 30th. I also just conducted two one-hour sessions on reasonable suspicions for Cooper Farms.
Wendel: I heard a lot of compliments from employees, you did a good job. Laux we also completed some Air Soft training.

Poll Council: Fiely: We have noticed a lot of people going through the stop signs near our house with all the high school sports and lifting. You might want to watch it especially during lunch time.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss Personnel Reviews in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code 121.22(G)(1)

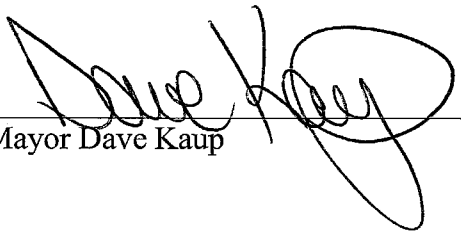
Knapke made the motion to enter into executive session seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Fiely made the motion to exit executive session which was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

Pearson made a motion to give all regular employees a 1.0% raise effective July 10, 2021, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes. Randy and Erin will provide the necessary ordinance at the next meeting.

Council reviewed invoices #30403 to #30430 including then and now certificates, inter-departmental transfers and memo expense 210054 to 210061. Knapke made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

Wendel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fiely. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.


Mayor Dave Kaup


Roberta Staugler