

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY COUNCIL Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held November 06, 20 23

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on November 06, 2023 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, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson, and Al Post. Luke Knapke absent.

Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, Bailey Cline, Leslie Gartrel Klosterman, Neal Spencer and Jared Laux

The mayor led with prayer and the pledge of allegiance. *Luke Knapke arrived.*

Reports to Council: VA Report, October Income Tax, Police and Finance Reports.

Minutes: Wendel made a motion to approve October 16, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Knapke seconded the motion. Vote all yes.

Chief: Call Records are in drop box. We continue to work with the school on projects.

Pearson: Is Haiden on day shift? Yes, I have taken him to reintroduce at school. I left notes on good spots to sit for traffic.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

RES 2023-25 A Resolution to Amend Appropriations. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules which was seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes. Post made the motion to pass the resolution which was seconded by Pearson. Vote all yes.

ORD 2023-08 An Ordinance to amend Sec I. of Ordinance 2022-09 as previously amended with 2023-01, 2023-03 and 2023-06 to adjust the pay schedule for police department. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules which was seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes by roll call vote. Post made the motion to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Staugler: If you recall Randy has discussed the ORC 731.21 changes on publication of zoning and legislation. We will continue with the same zoning notification. Currently we post complete copies of the legislation at the banks and library. We are now permitted to post a summary on our website and Facebook. We would like to do this if ok with council. There were no objections. Erin will prepare the resolution to change our publication policy.

Abels: I might add the legislation will be posted twice on social media and website and I have prepared the final ordinance on the annexation.

Diller: Ryan Thien has submitted his resignation effective this week. Aidan and Mitch will carry on.

Utility Dept: The DO at the effluent is 11 here lately and we require 5. So, things are settling back in, and are going well. The last sludge judge was black and thick, we plan to do another test to see if it is fluffy and brown again. Still looking at solutions more permanent for air. We have installed two air lifts from Melvin right at the influent, creating minor smell but you don't smell it 30' away.

Waste Water Plant Study: Report made up of a whole lot of numbers. I am trying to get a digital copy to pass on to council. We will go through and make final changes.

Water Plant: Jenn is working to see if there are any other grants available and researching to see if we can qualify. We are also working with Marvin on a RFQ package. Will have to take a look and see which way to go.

Well Study: Eagon & Associates and Ortman Drilling have submitted proposals for researching for a third well. Get through to see what makes the most sense. Stan called and

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St Henry will drill a couple of test wells to see what the prognosis is. They don't need our approval but don't want to be fighting us. If tests are positive, we will need an in-depth report to any impact to our wells

Water Tower: Received plans for the location of the tower and the water line coming into town. Where they want to put it there are two gas and communication lines. We will work with ODOT.

Elm-Butler: Bid opening on Thursday November 9th. We have a pretty good list of potential contractors. We will see where they come in at.

Systemic Funding ODOT Trails: Letters have been mailed out; public notice was in the newspaper. It has generated a few comments. Still a couple of years from actual construction.

Important Items: Jenn attended a grant meeting; one was on the school transportation program. She learned some things that might help us. OPWC grant application for 2 blocks of Butler district meeting is Nov 14th, we will know more after that. The annexation 60 day wait expires 11/14/23.

Streets: Nov 13th they will be paving. We are going to hold off on the parks until spring; it will just make it a better job. They will be covering some areas on Butler and Caldwell near George St and on Fort Site along Fort Site Fuel. They will also do some work on Natures Court which is not our work but we will send them the bill.

Legislative: They are proposing a law to raise Police pension from 19.5 to 24 %. Bert has replied to a questionnaire to OML regarding our take on the possible change in PERS from 14% to 18% which hits us harder. The change from \$50,000 to \$75,000 bid requirements has not passed yet. The senate will hopefully vote in next couple of weeks.

Rec Trail: The lights have been installed and we have received compliments from those that it works. Randy took a look and the lights do go together. The lights are up and ready at Wabash and First, waiting on AES to hook them up.

Important Dates: Bid Opening will be Thursday and Merchants Open House Thursday through Sunday.

We need Executive session for possible Real Estate purchase and Personnel.

Poll Council: Knapke: Seeing directional signs for Wenning's, does seem to keep trucks off of UC Road. Diller: Traffic is down? Knapke: Yes, wondering if we should make our own sign, normal route turn here. Diller: We have the truck route. Schmitz: A Wenning sign at Wayne/Milligan pointing them. Diller: We have had them on our street when they realize they can't get there. I will take a look.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss employment and compensation in accordance with Ohio Rev Code 121.22(G)(1). and also, the possible purchase of real estate in accordance with Ohio Rev Code 122.22(G)(2)

Knapke made the motion to enter into executive session with a second by Schmitz. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Knapke made a motion to exit executive session which was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

Council authorized Randy to advertise for the Utility Superintendent position and prepare the Wage Ordinance to be read at the next meeting.

Council reviewed invoices for check 32307-32346 also including then and now certificates, electronic payments 108-2023 – 160-2023, inter-departmental transfers

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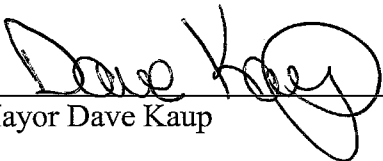
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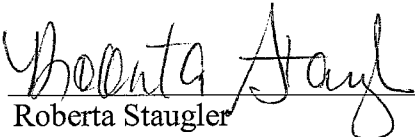
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and expense adjustments 66-2023. Knapke made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

Knapke made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Wendel. Meeting adjourned at 9:54pm.



Mayor Dave Kaup



Roberta Staugler