

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

February 19, 20 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on February 19, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Village of Fort Recovery Council Meeting Room to conduct regular business.

Roll call was conducted with the following Council members **Present:** Erik Fiely, Cliff Wendel, Al Post, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson and Dave Bretz. **Also Present:** Randy Diller, Erin Minor, Roberta Staugler, Neal Spencer, Jared Laux, PG Jellison, Ray Cooney and Sydney Albert.

The Mayor led with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Fiely made the motion to approve the February 5, 2018 minutes; this motion was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

Reports to Council: VA Report. January Income Tax and Finance Fund and Expense Reports.

Mayor: Dave Garman was on the Income Tax Review Committee, therefore we need a replacement. Greg Schmitz has agreed to replace Dave. Council had no objections to this appointment. The community service award will go to the Fort Recovery First Responders.

Poll Visitors: Chief Laux was present to continue discussion of the 2018 cruiser purchase.

Jared: Buds gave me a trade in value for the 2008 Trailblazer of \$4,500. We would be responsible for the cost of removing the police equipment. Wendel and Pearson stated they were in favor of trading the blazer in lieu of keeping it. **Laux:** Is council ready to authorize me to complete the purchase of the 2018 Ram S15 as presented at the last meeting? **Wendel:** It sounds like a good deal. Wendel made a motion to authorize Jared to purchase the 2018 Dodge Ram S15 as presented and trade in seconded by Post. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION 2018-03 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2018 APPROPRIATIONS. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes. Post made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Minor: Congratulations to Erik on the birth of his son. **Grants:** We will be discussing the Broadway Street Truck Route during executive session.

Park Signage: Our NatureWorks application for new entrance signs for our parks and pool is due May 1. We are working with our vendor on cost estimates and some designs. We plan to get public input on the designs through an electronic survey; a link will be posted on Facebook.

Scotts Field Refurbishment Grant: We were not a recipient of this grant. This grant was geared to underserved youth. They issued five \$50,000 grants to recipients: the Red Sox Foundation in partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston (MA), United Way of Central Georgia (GA), Journey House (WI) and DREAM (formerly known as Harlem RBI) (NY).

DP& L Grant: DP& L is offering a Right Tree Right Place Grant. We could receive funds to plant trees in the parks and downtown. Erin will be working with Roger Broerman who is the Tree Commission chairman to prepare an application. The grant is for \$25,000. Erin asked council for input. Would you like to see trees downtown? **Diller:** The trees that were planted on the corners grew too fast. We cut four down. The two on the east side are 27 years old and getting pretty big and are starting to show stress. I propose we replace all of them. The one by the eye doctor is in the sight line of trucks; it made it hard for them to make a right turn. **Schmitz:** What could we do besides planting trees? Planters? **Diller:** We do have a standing offer from Nature's Green to replace all the old trees if we get the old ones out. **Mayor:** I like how it looks. **Diller:** The Historical Society will replace the sidewalk out in front of Krenning Park. They have requested we do away with the tree in front of the park. **Schmitz:** Do we have issues with roots? **Diller:** We haven't yet. Steve Stone said good luck getting the roots out. **Post:** How do the Merchants feel? **Diller:** The Merchants Association would like the trees be

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replaced. **Post:** I think that is the way to go. **Fiely:** The price is right. **Bretz:** See what the Merchants think.

Minor: We submitted an application last week to the Community Foundation for \$30,000 for the Pavilion. We should hear in May if the request was granted. The Pavilion cost is estimated to be \$225 - \$250,000. So far, we've raised about \$185,000. We also have more donations coming in. The request from the foundation will help bridge the funding gap. The committee will submit the prints to the state for approval in a week or two.

Income Tax: The judge in the centralized collection lawsuit is supposed to be issuing a decision this week on the Plaintiff-municipalities' motion for preliminary injunction. We'll update you on the case at the next meeting.

I would like to request an executive session to discuss the Broadway Street Truck Route.

Randy Diller: Project update.

William Street: Nothing new to report.

Courts Project: Work has started on the storm sewer installation. Weather has shut them down for now. They will be onsite as conditions allow until the project is completed.

Utility: We are working on requirements for the CSO Monitoring Plan and also the Water System Asset Management Plan. We are also working on the lagoons. The aerators will be replaced to save on electricity and the effluent meter will be installed.

Industry: We continue to monitor Wendel Poultry's sanitary flow. Every test has been below industrial strength, nothing over household strength.

Casey's General Store: Casey's has submitted to us a traffic study; we have sent it on to the engineers to translate. We are waiting on final site plans; they needed to make a few adjustments.

Miami Valley Lighting: We recently had a light go out in Monument Park. Al from DP&L first offered to replace it with an LED light and then offered to replace all the bulbs in the park with LED lights. Since those lights are owned by Miami Valley Lighting, I contacted them. They said the bulbs could be changed but our electricity costs would go up. Our current five year contract with Miami Valley Lighting ends in 2019. Since 2014, they have been switching the bulbs to LED. They said that our bill has not gone down because of the cost of the bulbs. With respect to the lights we own, we changed the bulbs to LED and our monthly electricity bill has gone down \$600. MVL proposed a cost of \$25 per light to change all to LED bulbs so our bill would go up slightly and our contract which expires in 2019 could be extended now to 2023. I see no advantage. If we replace MVL lights as we do street projects, at that rate it will take a long time. Originally DP&L put up all the poles and lights. Years ago PUCO ruled that the electric company could not have street lights so they created MVL. We still pay a lease agreement. We can remove their poles and have them taken off the bill. I don't want to get into a new contract now. If we don't renew we will have to pay them to take them down. We will be replacing 4 or 5 street lights on William Street and we will continue to do so as we have street projects. **Wendel:** Should we take them all down? **Diller:** If we remove them and install new before new sidewalks they won't be right. I think we should continue for now. I don't want to switch them all out. We need additional lights on 49 & Sharpsburg by the school and also on Flaler and Fort Recovery Minster Road, areas where we have had some complaints. **Mayor:** Do we have the light poles that have been taken down? **Diller:** We have them stored in the street barn rafters. I'm going to talk to MVL about installing lights on Sharpsburg Road and State Route 49.

Research Committee: Sometime in March Randy would like to meet with the committee members to review the street overlay projects.

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The Chamber Awards Banquet will be held March 11th beginning at 5:30pm. Citizen of the Year: Conner Rammel, Hall of Fame: Pat Diller, Tom Sandrell. Organization Award: Community First Responders, Dan Wendel, Jared Laux, Jerry Byram, Nathan Wendel. Home Beautification: Erick Fiely and Judy Wood. Community Improvement: Paul Staugler Walking Trail.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss the purchase of property in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §122.22(G)(2) and to discuss compensation of an employee in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §121.22(G)(1)?

Fiely made a motion to enter executive session seconded by Wendel. All vote yes by roll call vote.

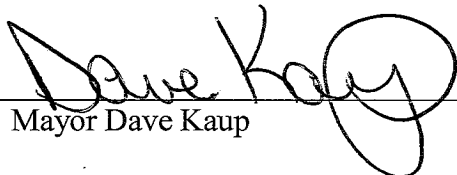
Wendel made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Pearson, vote all yes.

Mayor and Diller will meet with the police department to discuss employee compensation.


Poll Council: Nothing to report.

Council reviewed invoices #027544 to #027558 including then and now certificates, inter-departmental transfers and memo expense #180010 to #180014. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Pearson made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Bretz. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 PM.



 Mayor Dave Kaup



 Roberta Staugler