

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

May 6, 20 19

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on May 6, 2019 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, Luke Knapke, Greg Schmitz. **Absent:** Scott Pearson and Al Post.
Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, PG Jellison, Neal Spencer and Leslie Gartrel.

Reports to Council: VA Report, April FINX, Tax and Police reports.

Minutes: Wendel made a motion to approve the April 15, 2019 minutes, which was seconded by Knapke Vote all yes.

Mayor: I attended the Boy Scouts Program Sunday where four young men became Eagle scouts. The new Eagle Scouts were Dustin Kaiser, Chris Knoth, Brendon O'Dell and Preston Hoying. It was a very nice program.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION 2019-07 A RESOLUTION APPROVING RATIFICATION OF THE MERCER CO SOLID WASTE PLAN. Third and final reading. Wendel made a motion to pass the resolution, this was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.

ORDINANCE: NONE

Diller: We passed the Ambulance Contract at the last meeting. We were notified after the meeting that it was determined that we didn't need it. Randy talked to Erin, she said there is no harm in passing, it did clarify some things; we will leave it on books.

Staugler: April Bank Reconciliation was presented for approval.

Diller Project: Ball Diamond Improvement Grant all I can say is rain, rain, rain. They did work on it today. We need one more good drying day; then they will be able to lay sod. The concrete pad for diamond two is poured, we will work on the pad for diamond three as weather allows. Bleachers will be placed on the pads as soon as we are able. We will move the smaller bleachers around. We have had requests from people to have hand rails on bleachers, the new ones have them. Everything else is in the works.

Natures Work: We started putting the first shade structure up in Fort Site Park. Boring is done for lighting and the scoreboard. We hope to install the scoreboard in the next few weeks. The signs at the entrance to the parks and pool are up and look nice.

Broadway: We will know May 9th if we are approved for funding. Working with Jared Ebbing, it looks like we will go after a \$400,000 Critical Infrastructure Grant and a \$160,000 Local Allocation Grant. We have also applied for a \$500,000 Grant from OPWC. If OPWC is approved, we also will have a \$250,000 loan available if needed. In working through the numbers Jared Ebbing thinks we should split the project to look better for the CDBG funding. I think we will split the applications out, and hope the same contractor gets the contract. He is pretty positive we stand a better chance of being funded. This means Choice One will now need to split the package up into two projects. Mayor: What are odds of two different contractors getting the job? Diller: It is possible. Mayor: If the numbers are close could we still give it to one? Diller: We can't bid the job together. For us to spend the extra money in engineering I believe it is worth it for the \$560,000 in available grant money. I will be working with Choice One to get the extra information put together. Jared thinks this is best way to get funded. I wanted to have one more discussion with council, unless council has a problem with it, Jared thinks it is the way to go. We have done similar things in the past. Mayor: Will one of those meet the full funding? Diller: No, the Broadway Street portion estimate is \$1,000,000 and Elm Street is \$400,000+. These are both engineer estimates. The

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good part about separating the projects is the CDBG funds can only be spent on Broadway Street and OPWC funds can be spent on both projects.

Utility: Steve Harris has promised a written analysis by early this week detailing what he thinks of different aerator options, including what the long-term approach is. If we need more aeration in the future, we could add to it. The option we are looking at is a little under \$50,000 which is less than the \$120,000 or more we were looking at.

Water Dept: The caustic soda tank is set and plumbed in. The soda cost is cheaper to buy in bulk. It should be loaded here in the next week. The tank installation will fulfill EPA's requirement. We will notify EPA when we have it up and running. The guys will finish up the caustic tank building as time allows.

AI Post Arrived.

Pavilion: The masonry is completed. The floor will be completed as humidity allows, with plumbing being installed after. The dirt work will be done when weather allows. Things are looking really good. We stopped tonight to see how much Kaitlyn did on the floor. Randy is working with Park Board on a rental contract, when we have a better draft copy, we will place it in drop box. Schmitz: What is the rental cost? Diller: We are looking at \$150. Schmitz: Is that too cheap? Diller: We will see how it goes. We will make sure we are covering the cost and building a pot for the future. Most people think that is pretty reasonable. Post: I don't think we need to go over that amount.

Casey's: This project is moving along pretty quickly. Kaup: I met with a gentleman who is from Jackson Center. He is in charge of all of the Casey's north of I70 in Ohio and Michigan. Casey's began in 1959. Now there are over 500 in Iowa, 500 in Illinois and over 1,000 stores in 21 other states. He asked the Mayor if he had any questions about Casey's being in town. Mayor said I am not sure we need another convenience store in town but I can't stop it. Mayor asked him to have Casey's get involved with organizations such as local youth sports etc. The projected opening is July 27th. The district manager likes to be in new stores for a couple of weeks.

Mahargs: Diller: Clean up went well. I have not yet spoken to Mike. I will thank him for another job well done.

Annexation: We will read the ordinance at the next meeting; Erin Albers has Erin Minor's draft copy for review. This will finalize the annexation. Randy is working with Jared Ebbing regarding funding. We hope to get moving shortly

Research Committee: Street Overlays: The committee went around and reviewed the streets tonight prior to the meeting. The same streets are at the top of the list as we saw last year. Looking at the parking lots up town; it has been 28 years since they were paved. Before that project occurred, we had serious issues with our parking lots. We created great parking even though we eliminated four spots which no one missed. Everyone was happy because of looks and the usability. We are looking to recreate this along Fort Site and on the east side of Wayne St. We have a couple of streets showing wear. Black Eagle was done in 2000, 20 years is a pretty good life. The cul-de-sac is starting to show the wear. Kaup: One spot I noticed is on the east bound lane on this side of the stop light. Diller: It has been bad for a few years; it has been patched. We can't afford to do more than that. We will need to see if there is a way we can do it. We could have someone dig it out, stone and blacktop the next day. We have found that the bad spots tend to keep moving down the street. State Route 49 has the same issue beside the monument, we will wait to fix it until we see if it is part of the project next spring. Another road high on the priority list is Sharpsburg Road. It is obviously one we would love to do more with like curbs and sidewalks. We may put together some numbers and make it an optional overlay. Knapke: Will the school need to get involved? Diller: They are going to plan a sidewalk out to the road, it needs to be on the east side, which means they need to move some things. We will add the crosswalk from the new

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development to the school. East Center Street is the next one on the list. We also have a couple of small street constructions; the two blocks of Main Street, the blocks on Gwendolyn/Wiggs and the west end of Milligan Street to get rid of the concrete, probably cost a couple hundred thousand apiece. Randy had Bob Spitler from Wagner Paving lined up to take a look at it; I will contact him or someone from Buehler's Asphalt. The other streets are looking pretty good. I have lived here 34 years, when I came the streets were awful. We have tried hard to keep them nice. The sewer separation had trenches down other streets. If you look at those streets, they are not bad, we do want to stay ahead of that curve.

Wendel: The parking lots are at the top of the list for me. **Schmitz:** Parking lots and Sharpsburg Road. **Diller:** I will have the cost numbers put together for review.

Randy reporting for Kate: There is nothing new to report. We are still getting paver sales in as the pavilion is getting closer and we will continue to accept the orders. The committee received an estimated 40-\$500, 40-\$250 and 200-\$100 paver donations. We purchased the pavers from Steve Stone and Erik Brunswick etched them. The Pavilion fund should cover 100% of the cost. We will be holding a dedication, hopefully in the middle of June. We would like to start renting it; we need final approval from the state first.

Diller: We have a request from the Fort Recovery Harvest Jubilee committee to close the 100 block of N. Wayne Street (brick street area) for the annual "Taste of Fort Recovery" event to be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2019. This will be the same set up that has occurred over the previous three events which include food vendors handled by the Fort Recovery Merchants, wine and beer tasting ran by the Psi Iota Xi Sorority, alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks being offered by the Jubilee committee, along with a band sponsored by the Fort Recovery Friends of the Arts.

Wendel made a motion to authorize the closing of the 100 block of N. Wayne Street for the purpose of the "Taste of Fort Recovery-Beer & Wine Tasting" event to be held by the Fort Recovery Harvest Jubilee from 12:00 pm until 11:00 pm on Wednesday, June 12, 2019. This motion was seconded by Fiely Vote all yes.

The Merchants will hold their August 1st First Thursday event which also needs to apply for a liquor license.

Schmitz made a motion to authorize the closing of the 100 block of N. Wayne Street for the purpose of the "Merchants August First Thursday Event" to be held by the Fort Recovery Merchants from 12:00 pm until 11:00 pm on Thursday, August 1, 2019. This motion was seconded by Fiely Vote all yes.

Important Dates: May 10th 6-10pm Merchants Cruise In. We will be working on bricks in street this week. There has been a request from council that we have a water plant tour. Ryan said he will be glad to do it. Council will meet on May 20th at 6pm prior to Council Meeting to tour the plant.

RESOLUTION 2019-08 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS.

Schmitz made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes. Knapke made a motion to pass the resolution, this was seconded by Post. Vote all yes.

Poll council: **Wendel:** Do we watch yards for mowing? **Laux:** I will be talking to them. **Diller:** When the grass is 12" or higher we can give them a seven-day notice, after that time we can mow and charge it to them. **Post:** Can we lower the grass height? **Diller:** When time allows, we need to make some amendments and revisions to our zoning, we can look at it then.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss employment matters in accordance with Ohio Rev Code 121.22(G)(1)? **Fiely made a motion to enter into Executive Session seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes by roll call vote.**

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Fiely made a motion to exit Executive Session, seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.

Fiely made a motion to accept Ledgen Parkers resignation, this was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.

Council reviewed invoices #28587 to #28642 including then and now certificates, inter-departmental transfers and memo expense #190029 to #190034. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Knapke made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fiely. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM.



Mayor Dave Kaup



Roberta Staugler