

May 21,2024

7:00pm the meeting of council was called to order by Mayor Plyler:
followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members answered roll call: Thomas Richter, Bob Miller, Wayne Troyer, Mia Lane, Present Attorney Doug Frautschy, Garrett Kurtz, sworn in.

Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting by: Tom Richter. 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Motion to pay bills totaling \$166,742.48 subject to a recount for clarification by Tom Richter, 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Motion to accept financial report by Tom Richter and 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Motion: to accept the nomination of new council member Garrett Kurtz by: Wayne Troyer, 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

VISITORS:

Ruth Plyler, Steph Stein, Mark Heiner (Running for State Representative)

FIRE: Garry Stein, late, Steph Stein in place

Estimate for new UTV, which the Fire Dept is paying for this themselves through the Betty Balder funds. Quote was in packets from Addy Polaris in amount of \$39,296.55. Received quote from Heritage Fire Equipment for the bed and pump that holds 70 gallons of water for the UTV in the amount of \$7,306.50.

Contracts with Clark Township is going up \$2,000 for a year for next 5 years for Fire and .50 cents a year for 5 years for EMS.

901 is coming back Wednesday May 22,2024.

Dora the Explorer needs a couple thing done and going to cost \$1,376.49 which includes axel shaft, front end alignment.

Motion: to pay to have Explorer repaired by Tom Richter: 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Tanker needs work done to it to but not sure if it just needs an alignment or steering arms done. Waiting on Quote for that.

V.I.T: A deposit of \$67,581.48 was made May 1st and of this amount \$45,147.48 represents the ½%. The deposit for May 14th was made in the amount of \$17,285.63 and of this amount \$11,595.61 represents the ½%.

ORDINANCE #2021-1282... ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 138 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALTIC TO ADD A NEW SECTION 138.20 TITLED “ADULT USE OF CANNABIS OPERATIONS”: AND DELCARING AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION: to suspend by Bob Miller: 2nd by Garrett Kurtz: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

MOTION: to adapt as emergency by Tom Richter: 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Attorney Doug got some information from Jody Salvo, who is on the Drug Board for Tuscarawas County, and they are reminding the villages, cities and townships and county that they have the ability under Issue 2 of recreational marijuana use with the past and default. That you can regulate sales within your village. There are some statics that Jody Salvo gave for Village of Baltic on Issue 2 voted 66.6% against Issue 2 and 33% voted for. The village overwhelmingly voted 2/3rds against that. Attorney Doug asked Mayor Doug about preparing an Ordinance as consideration. The Ordinance is prepared off the City of New Philadelphia is doing.

ORDINANCE #2024-1283.... ORDINANCE APPOINTING BOARD MEMBER POSITION 3 TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TUSCARAWAS WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT.

MOTION: to suspend by Mia Lane, 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

MOTION: to adopt as emergency by Tom Richter, 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

STREETS: Tom Richter, Chairperson

Keith gave Tom a list of things that are going on and that are going to need done in the village.

Streets are ready for paving, except the catch basins on Maple St and N. Butler that need done yet before paving. Yoder Excavating trying to get in next week, weather permitting, to do the catch basins. After

they are doing that, they are going to start on the retaining wall at the cemetery.

There are quotes provided in packets about stump removal and stump grinding. One is from Cline Brothers and other was from Yoder Tree Services. Both the quotes are quoted both ways. Tree Commission voted on the just trimming the Elm tree and not having the tree removed.

Motion: to have Yoder Tree Service to trim the Elm tree at the park and remove the Maple tree by Tom Richter and 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Quote for doing some sealing on the roads for Dunker and Buena Vista for \$1800. This was the only quote that we received for this project.

Motion: to approve seal coating from Holmes Sealcoating by Bob Miller and by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Keith and Richard would like to purchase a handheld leaf blower for \$260 from Yoder's Small Engine called an Echo Gas powered, premium grade. The blower that they have now is a backpack leaf blower. The reason is if we go into contract with mowing the water/sewer they would like to have that and put it on the mower whenever they go and be able to blow off the sidewalks and the road whenever they were done.

Motion: to approve to get the leaf blower from Yoder's Small Engine by Mia Lane: 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

They would also like to purchase a jack hammer for around the catch basins. Basically, they have the bits for one but don't have the actual tool. This would be able to use around all the catch basins to break up the asphalt. Right now, they have a big jack hammer to use but it takes 2 people to use. This would cost anywhere from \$250-\$700. Tom recommends on tabling this until next month meeting so he can talk to Keith about which one he wants and get a quote on that exact price.

Quote from Winfield Power Equipment for a new mower. The 2 mowers that they have now are working but are not the greatest. They've gone and had some repairs on them. This is basically to look forward to whenever we go into contract with the county and being prepared with that. Even if the county doesn't do a contract with us,

one of the mowers is going to need replaced regardless. There are two different mowers on the quote it just that the drive system is different on them. This doesn't need voted on now just wanted to make aware that they are going to need a new mower soon.

Bids came in from the County about paving.

Motion: to approve the bid for the paving by Tom Richter and 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

PARKS/MAINTENANCE & Community Interest: Wayne Troyer

There is an indent over by the Log Cabin and Keith would like to fill that in and would fill that in himself. It's about 100 ft long.

Motion: to accept Keith filling in the ditch himself by Wayne Troyer: 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Keith mentioned to Bob Miller about the Amish on weekends coming into park and leaving trash on picnic tables. Also been another guy that will be coming in to talk to the park committee John Regula. There was some dispute with him and some other coach having a little dispute about the little league fields. They had put a pitching mound on the field and the Amish removed it. Will have to have a committee meeting to discuss these issues a little more.

Attorney Doug mentioned that we need to make a motion on selling the Berger Building. The closing of it is going to go on next week.

Motion: to approve the sale of the Berger Building and do the paperwork by Wayne Troyer: 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

New building was going to be used to dump brush now since the county will be getting property with the water dept.

Amish charging bikes at park and even local businesses is becoming an issue. Maybe we could put up a sign about not charging their E-Bikes. Mayor gave permission to unplug E-Bikes at park whenever you see them.

FINANCE:

No Business

LANDS, BUILDINGS, DEVELOPMENT/CEMETERY: County didn't know about the loan when they did the feasibility study. There was a

\$40,000 change order. We discussed this at the emergency meeting. We have roughly \$700,000 in our water and sewer fund. Mike Jones and Mayor already talked this over and we are just going to pull from this to make up for the rest of the loan. County didn't want to pay for this. Mayor asked council about pulling from our general fund as a good will or just to take it out of the water and sewer fund. Attorney Frautschey said that water and sewer fund is what that money is used for so that we should just do that.

ZONING: Bob Miller

Provia is expanding in both directions toward Gerbers & toward 93. Variance was given to them to be closer to property line. Little Turtles variance is not in affect that was given about a year ago. Nathan Wagler turned in applications for building 5 homes on Buena Vista and paid all water/sewer tap fees and breaking ground soon.

TREE COMMISSION: Mia Lane

Mayor asked Mia to be rep for the Tree Commission. According to Ordinance members are supposed to be appointed to council. Mayor is going to appoint Lynn Eiler as President. Rose Thomas, Tara Francis, Don Sheetz, Betty Olinger, Lana Guisinger, Greg & Barb Troyer.

Motion: to approve all the appointed members as read for the Tree Commission by Tom Richter: 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Don Sheetz asked if they were covered by our insurance if something would happen while they were out doing work. We will have to contact the insurance company on this and let you know.

REGIONAL PLANNING:

Nothing currently.

SAFETY & WELFARE:

E-Bikes running stop signs are a problem. They have the same laws as traffic laws.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Change Office hours to 4pm on Thursday and Friday.

Motion: to approve the change of office hours to 4pm on Thursday and Friday by Mia Lane: 2nd by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Received the check from Kaufman for the online auction in the amount of \$3,065.05.

MAYOR:

Pre-approve IT expenses to set up a more professional email for Village and unlock laptop and deactivate unused computers. Quote is in packet from Schneider computer.

Motion: to go with the Quote from Schneider Computer to the email update by Mia Lane: 2nd by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Laptop Rose was using is locked out as well and would like IT to have them crack that password. Mayor would like to use that laptop if he needs to when he is away.

Increase in pay for Dena from \$19 to \$20.40 for her role as Fiscal Officer position by Ordinance #2021-1230. Mayor stated this pay increase should've happened a long time ago but didn't happen.

Motion: to change Dena's pay to where it's supposed to be by Mia Lane: 2nd by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Mayor has some improvement projects he would like to do here. List is provided in packets.

Motion: to approve the expenses listed and updates by Mia Lane: 2nd by Garrett Kurtz: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Motion to Adjourn by Bob Miller: 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer