

08/26/2021

Special Council Meeting

7:00 PM

Meeting held via Zoom teleconference and streamed live on the Village of Blanchester Facebook page

Gary Bauer, Harry Brumbaugh, Don Gephart, Reilly Hopkins and Richard Simpson were present. Mayor John Carman presided over the meeting.

**HOPKINS/BAUER: Motion to excuse Chad Hollon. All voted yea.**

**BAUER/BRUMBAUGH: Motion to approve agenda as presented. All voted yea.**

Mayor presented the opportunity to apply for House Bill 168 grant funding for various projects. Ram Reddy shared information on each project which will be applied for including Orchard View, East Fancy Street, Lazenby Street, and Vine Street. Once projects are awarded, they will be revisited for the match and repaving surfaces.

**BAUER/SIMPSON: Motion to authorize Mayor to apply on behalf of the Village of Blanchester for H.B. 168 grant funding for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects. All voted yea.**

Orchard View Project: Replace water main and install fire hydrants. 5% local match totaling \$37,110.00 with 75% from the Water Operating Fund and 25% from the Sewer Operating Fund.

**BAUER/BRUMBAUGH: Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer to certify funds for the Orchard View Project. All voted yea.**

Lazenby Street Project: Replace waterline and install fire hydrants. 10% local match totaling \$38,995.00 with 75% from the Water Operating Fund and 25% from the Sewer Operating Fund.

**BRUMBAUGH/BAUER: Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer to certify funds for the Lazenby Street Project. All voted yea.**

East Fancy Street Project: 5.82% local match totaling \$30,260.00 with 100% paid from the Water Operating Fund.

**BAUER/SIMPSON: Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer to certify funds for the East Fancy Street Project. All voted yea.**

Vine Street Water Tower Replacement Project: 5% local match totaling \$58,750.00 with 100% paid from the Water Operating Fund.

**BRUMBAUGH/GEPHART: Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer to certify funds for the Vine Street Water Replacement Tower Project. All voted yea.**

Mayor introduced Resolution 2021.024 for application to Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC). The application will be for the Vine Street Water Tower Replacement project as an alternative to the H.B. 168 funding should that not be approved.

**BRUMBAUGH/BAUER: Motion to authorize Mayor to apply on behalf of the Village of Blanchester for OPWC funding for the Vine Street Water Tower Project. Roll call was made. Gary Bauer, Harry Brumbaugh, Don Gephart and Richard Simpson voted yea. Reilly Hopkins voted no.**

**BAUER/BRUMBAUGH: Motion to authorize the Fiscal Officer to certify the fund amounts for the OPWC application match. All voted yea.**

Mayor introduced Resolution 2021.025 granting the Fiscal Officer permission to apply for funding available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

**HOPKINS/GEPHART: Motion to authorize the Fiscal Officer to apply for the ARPA funding. All voted yea.**

**HOPKINS: Motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.**

Approved: 09/09/2021

Mayor: John M. Cannon

Attest: Demetrius D. May