

Regular Council Meeting
12/30/2020
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/GEPHART: Motion to excuse Chad Hollon from the meeting. All voted yea.

Reilly requested to add Future Maintenance Position under new business. Mayor requested additional changes to the agenda: 1) Old Business: Drafted Lease Agreement; 2) New Business: Ordinance 2020.032.

HOPKINS/GEPHART: Motion to accept agenda with suggested revisions. All voted yea.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from 12/10/2020 and 12/18/2020 meeting were presented to Council.

BRUMBAUGH/GEPHART: Motion to approve minutes from 12/10/2020 and 12/18/2020 meeting as presented. All voted yea.

APPROVAL OF BILLS/ADJUSTMENTS

Bills and adjustments were presented to Council. Mayor clarified that #8 on bills list, \$181.57 of the total was paid out of CARES Act Fund, and items #10 and #17 were paid from the Legacy Grant Fund even though they are listed as paid under General Fund.

**ADJUSTMENTS FOR 2020 APPROPRIATIONS
PRESENTED TO COUNCIL 12/30/2020**

FUND/DEPT	UJAN ACCT #	FUND
ZONING PERSONAL SERVICES	1000-410-100	(\$11.49)
ZONING OPERS	1000-410-211	(\$40.56)
ZONING MEDICARE	1000-410-213	(\$2.94)
ZONING CONTRACTUAL	1000-410-300	(\$46.00)
ZONING SUPPLIES	1000-410-400	(\$131.87)
SOLID WASTE PERSONAL SERVICES	1000-561-100	(\$655.77)
SOLID WASTE OPERS	1000-561-211	(\$24.96)
SOLID WASTE MEDICARE	1000-561-213	(\$19.78)
SOLID WASTE CONTRACTUAL	1000-561-300	(\$37.88)
SOLID WASTE GARBAGE AND TRASH REMOVAL	1000-561-398	(\$5.85)
SOLID WASTE SUPPLIES	1000-561-400	(\$81.07)
SOLID WASTE DEPOSITS REFUNDED	1000-561-610	(\$58.38)
MAYOR SALARY	1000-710-161	(\$0.08)
MAYOR'S STAFF SALARIES	1000-710-162	(\$229.24)
MAYOR/STAFF OPERS	1000-710-211	(\$46.16)
MAYOR/STAFF MEDICARE	1000-710-213	(\$1.88)
MAYOR CONTRACTUAL	1000-710-300	(\$39.35)
COUNCIL SALARIES	1000-715-111	(\$20.00)
COUNCIL OPERS	1000-715-211	(\$4.00)
COUNCIL SOCIAL SECURITY	1000-715-212	(\$3.00)
COUNCIL MEDICARE	1000-715-213	(\$4.40)
FISCAL OFFICER SALARY	1000-725-121	(\$1.28)
FISCAL OFFICER'S STAFF SALARIES	1000-725-122	(\$8.59)
FISCAL OFFICE OPERS	1000-725-211	(\$17.97)
FISCAL OFFICE MEDICARE	1000-725-213	(\$4.06)
FISCAL OFFICE CONTRACTUAL	1000-725-300	(\$229.25)

FISCAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	1000-725-400	(\$51.52)
LANDS/BUILDINGS CONTRACTUAL	1000-730-300	\$1,110.00
LANDS/BUILDINGS SUPPLIES	1000-730-400	\$267.33
OTHER FINANCING BANK FEES	1000-990-990-0005	\$400.00
TOTAL GEN FUND		\$0.00
PD PERSONAL SERVICES	2906-110-100	(\$2,371.00)
PD CAPITAL OUTLAY	2906-110-500	\$2,371.00
STREET HEALTH INSURANCE	2011-610-221	(\$3,000.00)
STREET SUPPLIES	2011-610-400	\$1,500.00
STREET CONTRACTUAL	2011-610-300	\$1,500.00
STREET PERSONAL SERVICES	2011-610-100	\$523.72
STREET HEALTH INSURANCE	2011-610-221	(\$304.19)
STREET STREETS, HIGHWAYS, CURBS AND SIDEWALKS	2011-610-396	(\$219.53)
PARKS PERSONAL SERVICES	2042-310-100	\$304.12
PARKS HEALTH INSURANCE	2042-310-221	(\$304.12)
PARKS MEDICARE	2042-310-213	\$1.63
PARKS HEALTH INSURANCE	2042-310-221	(\$1.63)
CHERRY STREET PHASE I ENGINEERING	4905-800-346	\$7,038.90
CHERRY STREET PHASE I ENGINEERING	4905-800-346	\$3,519.45
CHERRY STREET PHASE 1 CAPITAL OUTLAY	4905-800-500	\$935.55
RESERVOIR 3 IMPROVEMENTS	4909-800-346	(\$45,776.06)
RESERVOIR 3 IMPROVEMENTS	4909-800-500	(\$570,100.00)
CENTER MAIN PROJECT	4906-850-710	(\$4,500.00)
CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND PD SALARIES	2151-110-110	\$84,000.00
CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND OTHER FINANCING	2151-990-990	(\$84,000.00)
PARKS PERSONAL SERVICES	2042-310-100	\$100.00
PARKS MEDICARE	2042-310-213	\$50.00
PARKS HEALTH INSURANCE	2042-310-221	(\$150.00)
EMPLOYEE TRUST CLAIMS	6901-780-669-0011	(\$150,082.56)
EMPLOYEE TRUST PREMIUMS	6901-780-669-0012	(\$37,143.24)
EMPLOYEE TRUST CONTRACTUAL	6901-780-669-0013	(\$44.65)
TOTAL OTHER		(\$796,152.61)
TOTAL GEN FUND+OTHER		(\$796,152.61)

**ADJUSTMENTS FOR 2021 APPROPRIATIONS
PRESENTED TO COUNCIL 12/30/2020**

FUND/DEPT	UAN ACCT #	FUND
TOTAL GEN FUND		\$0.00
WATER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	5101-531-300	(\$15,000.00)
WATER CAPITAL OUTLAY	5101-531-500	\$15,000.00
SEWER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	5201-541-300	(\$15,000.00)
SEWER CAPITAL OUTLAY	5201-541-500	\$15,000.00
ELEC OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	5301-513-390	\$80,000.00
ELEC CAPITAL OUTLAY AUTOMOTIVE	5301-519-590-0009	(\$80,000.00)
TOTAL OTHER		\$0.00
TOTAL GEN FUND+OTHER		\$0.00

HOPKINS/BRUMBAUGH: Motion to approve bills/adjustments as presented. Roll call was made. All voted yea.

PHIL BLANKENSHIP, AGENT OF RECORD

Phil walked Council through the first quarter's executive summary with Employee Benefit Services. He confirmed it was agreed by Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Sherry Arnold and himself to not increase the Village funding at this point as the Employee Trust Fund was in good standing as

confirmed by the Fiscal Officer. Don observed it was a concerted effort by the Mayor, Fiscal Office and Phil to keep the costs down and thanked all of them for a job well done.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2021 schedules for committees were announced to basically be the same as 2020's schedules. Mayor briefly went through the times and days of the week these meetings will be held.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor requested to handle the drafted Lease Agreement discussion in executive session. Common consent was to move on.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor introduced Ordinance 2020.032. Mayor mentioned the ordinance needed to mention it would repeal Ordinance 2020.020. He explained the responsibility of the property owners will be to repair and clear off the sidewalks in front of their property according to this ordinance. Reilly expressed a desire to put the ordinance in place, but he believed it still needed some revisions. Don stated he believed an ORC mentioned in the ordinance that if after contacting the property owner it is not repaired, the Village would go ahead and repair it and then send it to the county to be placed on the property owner's taxes to be repaid to the Village by the county once the tax is collected. Mayor explained the ordinance was written in accordance to the same manner Wilmington takes care of their sidewalks. Katie stated that the reason fees are in place is mainly for repeat offenders.

HOPKINS/BRUMBAUGH: Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020.032, Providing for the Responsibility for the Construction, Maintenance and Repair of the Sidewalks, Driveways, Specifications and Standards Therefore; and for the Required Cleaning of Such Sidewalks and Driveways Pursuant to ORC Sec. 723.01-1 and Declaring an Emergency, with revision of repealing Ordinance 2020.020. Roll call was made. All voted yea.

SOLICITOR

Katie stated she didn't have anything additional to what would be discussed in this meeting, but is eager to start some new projects at the Village.

Reilly questioned if the maintenance personnel could be discussed in the executive session. Harry stated there were residents asking why there was a lot of dirt being piled at the end of Bourbon/Broadway. Mayor stated that UDF had asked to place dirt temporarily there, but it was probably not permanent. Harry remarked this was a very busy intersection and sometimes difficult to see traffic. Don stated that Tyler McCollister owns that corner and had allowed UDF to place the dirt there temporarily.

FISCAL OFFICE

Jewelie mentioned that the BWC had sent out a third distribution to entities. She also stated that though it may appear the Fiscal Office were in "hibernation", but they were actually very busy with year-end duties and may "emerge around February in time for the audit to begin". She apologized for any delays this may cause with any requests being made at this time. Mayor thanked the Fiscal Office for their hard work.

MAYOR

Mayor reviewed the committee appointments for 2021.

HOPKINS/BAUER: Motion to accept 2021 appointments as presented. All voted yea.

HOPKINS/GEHART: Motion to recess to executive session pursuant to 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official and 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property in accordance with

section 505.10 of the Revised Code inviting Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Assistant Fiscal Officer, and James Bowling to meeting. Roll call was made. All voted yea. Meeting recessed at 7:52 PM.

Roll call was made. Meeting resumed at 8:41 PM.

Mayor recommended moving Stephanie Howard to Step J effective first full pay period in January. Second to move Jeff Hurst to move to Step E.

HOPKINS/BAUER: Motion to approve Steph Howard to Step J and Jeff Hurst to move to Step E effective first full pay period in January (pay period beginning 1/3/21). Roll call was made. All voted yea.

HOPKINS/: Motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Approved: January 14, 2021

Mayor: John M. Carman

Attest: Julie Cartel