**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

Held March 8, 2021, @ 7:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular session with Austin Scheiner, James R. Miller, Andrew Zartman, Lora Lyons, Andrew Head, and Kevin Wannemacher present. Steve Wobler was absent.

Council President Austin Scheiner presided over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Wobler.

Guests Present: Police Chief Rodney Miller, Fire Chief Jesse Hefner, EMS Coordinator Sadie Litzenberg, Assistant EMS Coordinator Travis Zartman, Village Solicitor Matt Miller, Pete Latta from Jones and Henry Engineers and Priscilla Kadolph from the Paulding Progress.

The Minutes from the February 22, 2021, meeting were read, and approved as read.

**EMS: Coordinator Litzenberg** was present and reported the following to Council:

 1. There have been seven runs this month.

 2. The first two gift cards have been awarded as an incentive for the EMT’s.

 3. Lucy Stoller is enrolled in class.

**Fire Department: Chief Hefner** was present and reported the following to Council:

 1. There have been two runs this month.

2. Chief Hefner stated that he attended a meeting where it was announced that the MARCs will be discontinued in 2023. At that time, he estimates $7000 or more will be needed annually for radios.

3. Chief Hefner is purchasing a training system that uses google maps and simulates smoke and flames coming from actual homes and businesses. The cost is $180.00.

4. A new set of landing zone lights are needed to replace a set that has failed. The cost is $239.00 plus shipping.

5. The Fire/EMS Departments are purchasing a Rescue Randy. The cost will be $500.00 for the Fire and $500.00 for the EMS.

6. The pagers that were available on EBay are no longer available. He will continue to look for replacements. Four pagers are have been taken for repair. A discussion was held on whether to consider replacing the VHF radios with MARCs radios. An update on the radios being repaired will be given at the next meeting.

5. The generator at the Fire Station is being repaired tomorrow.

**Police Department: Chief Miller** was present and reported to Council the following:

1. The new cruiser has been taken to Jay Klopfenstein to have the equipment installed inside the vehicle.

**Street:** Council President Scheiner reported to Council the following:

1. The street light on State Route 500 East before the railroad tracks has been reported for repair.

2. The pole for the stop sign at Hyman and Merrin Streets will be replaced when weather permits. A temporary sign is in place.

**Zoning: Inspector Tom Sinn** was not present.

**Committee Reports:** Council President Scheiner reported to Council the following:

1. The Payne Event Committee will be March 16, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

 Anyone is welcome to attend with ideas.

**Correspondence Letters:** There were no letters to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Councilwoman Lyons reported that the paperwork for the Buckeye Park grant is complete and the paperwork is available to sign. Councilwoman Lyons and Solicitor Miller reported that the paperwork states that the Village should have an affirmative action plan. The paperwork will be signed after confirmation that the Village has an affirmative action plan.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Council President Scheiner showed Council a picture of the lettering for the window in the Police Department. West Bend News will install the lettering. Council President Scheiner will ask West Bend News to contact Police Chief Miller to set up a time for installation.
2. Council President Scheiner showed Council pictures of the Village limit signs and Buckeye Park signs that West Bend New has designed. The cost is $3816.00. An installation date will be set later. Also discussed was putting the Raider emblem on the water tower. West Bend News can make the emblem but is unable to install due to lack of insurance coverage. Council asked to have West Bend News give a quotes on a 4’x8’ and a 4’x10’ Raider emblem.
3. Council President Scheiner informed Council that the toilets in the new restroom are broken and cracked from the harsh winter. He showed Council pictures showing that antifreeze had been placed in the toilets but that the winterization was not completed properly. Norwalk Concrete Industries, Inc. has agreed to replace the toilets at no cost. The water has not been connected to the restroom yet. Allen Wobler will help Heidi Kolb complete the connection.
4. Council President Scheiner reported that Lippincott had quoted $22,102.00 to replace toilets, valves and faucets with Cares Act Funds. The Lippincott quote was not high enough for them to complete the work needed at the Village Park concession stand which involves removing brick to get to the water lines. Lippincott has agreed to complete the work for an additional $2898.00, which makes the total expense $25,000.00. Councilman Wannemacher made a motion to have Lippincott complete the work at the Village Park concession stand for the cost of $2898.00. Councilman Head seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Council President Scheiner presented the invoice from V.S. Beck Insurance for the Ohio Plan policy renewal at the cost of $24,151.00 and asked if there were any changes or additions. The policy will be issued for a three year annually renewable term. Councilman Miller made a motion to accept and pay the invoice for the insurance renewal. Councilman Wannemacher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
6. Council President Scheiner informed Council that the Richland Company had updated their quote for the Village Hall roof. The first quote for Richland Company was $35,562.00. Their updated quote on March 5, 2021 is $29,693.00. A quote was also received from Tri-County Roofing for $61, 200.00. After a short discussion, Council tabled the issue.

**BPA:** There was no report for the BPA.

**Good and Welfare:** There was nothing to report for Good and Welfare.

Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented by the Fiscal Officer. Councilman Wannemacher seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Lyons moved to approve the payment of bills presented, Councilman Zartman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Councilman James R. Miller abstaining from voting on any payments to Rodney Miller.

Councilman Miller moved to go into executive session for personnel and legal reasons at 8:00 p.m., and Councilman Head seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Head moved to go back into regular session at 8:31 p.m., and Councilwoman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon return to regular session, Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to offer health insurance to the spouse of any full time Village employee and immediate family of any full time employee. The spouse can be covered assuming the spouse’s employer does not offer insurance and to revise the ordinance to reflect this change. Councilman Head seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further matters to discuss, Councilman Head moved to adjourn, Councilman Wannemacher seconded, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Council President Austin Scheiner Fiscal Officer, Rhonda Stabler