

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:30 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Members answering roll call were Liz Dreher, Martin Zehnder, Dustin Briggs, Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, and Don Wallick. Others present were Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Legal Counsel Richard Fox, and Jerry Schultz.

A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2020 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

The February financial statement, the February Unified Bank Statement, the February SSB worksheet, and the list of bills was presented and reviewed. A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Jeff Smith to approve the February financial statement, the February Unified Bank Statement, the February SSB worksheet, and the list of bills in the amount of \$ 198,489.21. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Mayor Steve Smith asked residents to please listen to the CDC on the request to self-contain and social distancing. Mayor Smith thanked Cross Café and Shy Cellars for providing free meals to the children of the village and thanked everyone for all that they have done to help in this difficult situation. Mayor Smith handed out information regarding loans for small businesses and application information on filing for unemployment. Mayor Smith noted that he will be attending a meeting with the Tuscarawas County Health Department and the Mayors in Tuscarawas County regarding any questions regarding the Covid 2019 pandemic. Mayor Smith noted that the next Planning Commission meeting has been changed from April 2, 2020 to April 9, 2020, and that the public hearing will be held at 6:00 and council will hold their public hearing on April 21,2020. Mayor Smith noted that he was approached on the topic of changing the start time of council meetings to 6:30. A brief discussion was held and a motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Jeff Smith, to change the start time to 6:00 pm starting with the first council meeting in May 2020 At roll call, all members voted approval. .

ORDINANCE O-07-2020

Ordinance O-07-2020 was given its third reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-07-2020, AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-08-2020

Ordinance O-08-2020 was given its third reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-08-2020, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FEE TO BE CHARGED FOR CHECKS RECEIVED BY THE VILLAGE FOR PAYMENT OF SERVICES WHICH ARE RETURNED BECAUSE OF NON-SUFFICIENT FUNDS, OR ANY OTHER REASON NOT CAUSED BY THE VILLAGE. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-12-2020

Ordinance O-12-2020 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Dustin Briggs, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Liz Dreher, to approve Ordinance O-12-2020, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF JERRY WADE II BY THE STRASBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SERVE AS PART-TIME FIRE FIGHTER AND AS AN EMT, PENDING COMPLETION OF HIS HIRING REQUIREMENTS, EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-13-2020

Ordinance O-13-2020 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Dustin Briggs, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Liz Dreher, to approve Ordinance O-13-2020, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF MYLISSA STOUT BY THE STRASBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SERVE AS PART-TIME FIRE FIGHTER AND AS AN EMT, PENDING COMPLETION OF HIS HIRING REQUIREMENTS, EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2020

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately

ORDINANCE O-14-2020

Ordinance O-14-2020 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Dustin Briggs, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Liz Dreher, to approve Ordinance O-14-2020, AN ORDINANCE HIRING HOUSTEN T. HALE, IV AS A PART-TIME POLICE PATROLMAN FOR THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO, EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Police Chief Dave Warrick noted that he would like to sell or auction the 2009 police cruiser and read resignation letters from Taren Mitchell and Brian Dalton. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Dustin Briggs, to accept the resignations. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Village Administrator Ron Lambert reported to council that for the three-phase power, the poles have been set, a fair amount of line has been strung, and the transformers will be installed. Lambert reported that we had the bid opening for the chlorine booster station and that this project will be part of the loan for the project. Lambert noted that the Engineers recommendation is to accept the low bid of Stanley Miller Construction of \$ 98,527.00 for general contractor and Wood Electric of \$ 17,047.00 for the electrical contractor. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, to accept the recommendation of Engineer Don Dummermuth and authorize Legal Counsel Fox to draw up an ordinance to enter into contracts with Stanley Miller Construction and Wood Electric for the installation of the Chlorine Booster Project. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Council reviewed the paving estimate from the county. A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Liz Dreher, to accept the estimate from the county deleting the Wooster Avenue portion of the estimate and participate in the county paving 2020 program. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Council held a lengthy discussion regarding staffing, cleaning, and other issues regarding the shelter in place order that has been issued through the State of Ohio for the Covid 19 pandemic. Mayor Smith noted that he will get more answers at the meeting at the health department and noted that Village Hall will be closed to residents starting on Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday, April 3, 2020. Council held a brief discussion on meter reading for April and also the income tax deadline.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to enter into an executive session at 8:38 pm to discuss police department personnel and utility department personnel. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:52 pm. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to adjourn at 8:53 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY