

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Mayor Steve Smith swore in Liz Dreher for her new term ending in 2025.

Members answering roll call were Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Don Wallick, Dustin Briggs, Liz Dreher, and Martin Zehnder. Other's present were Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Jerry Schultz, and Press Representative Barb Limbacher.

A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2022 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

The December financial statement, December Unified Bank Statement, December 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 December financial statement, December Unified Bank Statement, December SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills in the amount of \$ 160,265.81. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Mayor Smith thanked village employees for snow plowing the streets, noted that alleys still need some attention, and that the village received 14 applications for fire chief.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster had no permits to report but reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals held their hearing prior to council meeting but had no action and will meet again in two weeks.

Police Chief Dave Warrick reported that he and Mayor Smith interviewed applicants for the substitute crossing guard position and recommended to council to hire Elizabeth Scales for the position. Police Chief recommended to council to hire part time officer Austen Hummel for the vacant full-time position. Warrick noted that Hummel will continue his training and transition to the road. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to accept the recommendation to hire Austen Hummel effective January 19, 2022 as a full-time officer for the Strasburg Police Department and authorized Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger to prepare a ratification ordinance O-08-2022 for the February 1, 2022 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Warrick noted that the department has received complaints of stray cats in the village and reported that there is a program that will trap, neuter, and release them in the same area. Council held a brief discussion and authorized Police Chief Warrick to contact the organization to begin the process in the village.

Finance – Chairman Jeff Smith provided council with information from the Tuscarawas County Auditor regarding our current police levy from 1996 noting that a new levy would generate more revenue which is needed for the department. Smith noted that the finance committee will meet with Police Chief Warrick to consider a new levy for the November ballot. Smith noted that the committee has met with the fire department and discussed the renovations needed for the social hall which include lockers, furniture, and bedding. Smith noted that Kathy Burrier has worked on finding comparative equipment at a savings of \$ 5,000.00. Council reviewed the information. Smith noted that we are currently waiting on pricing of painting, steel doors, window coverings, and a partition. Jerry Schultz suggested looking through a government surplus for free items. Burrier will look into this suggestion. Smith noted that the finance committee would like to authorize \$ 35,000.00 for the upgrade of the social hall.

Park – Chairman Dustin Briggs reported that the new playground equipment will be delivered around March 28, 2022 and will be contacted a week before with the exact date. Briggs noted that the equipment will be stored until their crew will be available to build and install.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to enter into an executive session at 6:41 pm to discuss imminent litigation with Attorney Terry Seeberger. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council reconvened at 6:54 pm.

ORDINANCE O-39-2021

Ordinance O-39-2021 was given its third reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-39-2021, AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF FULL TIME VILLAGE OF STRASBURG FIRE CHIEF, APPROVING JOB DESCRIPTION, AND SETTING COMPENSATION. At roll call, all members voted approval.

ORDINANCE O-03-2022

Ordinance O-03-2022, An Ordinance authorizing amendment of agreement for Branch Library with Tuscarawas County Public Library System, was given its second reading by title only.

ORDINANCE O-04-2022

Ordinance O-04-2022, An Ordinance repealing Strasburg Municipal Regulation 76.071, and enacting new municipal regulation 76.071, was given its second reading by title only.

ORDINANCE O-05-2022

Ordinance O-05-2022, An Ordinance enacting new section 10.01 of the Village of Strasburg codified municipal regulations, was given its second reading by title only.

ORDINANCE O-06-2022

Ordinance O-06-2022, An Ordinance Approving agreement between Village of Strasburg and Franklin Township resolving municipal income tax withholding dispute, was given its first reading by title only.

ORDINANCE O-07-2022

Ordinance O-07-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to suspend the mandatory rule of three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve Ordinance O-07-2022, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE APPROVING HIRING OF CROSSING GUARD. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Martin Zehnder reported that he attended the school board meeting to discuss a proposed community center for the village and asked Press Representative Barb Limbacher to place his phone number in the newspaper for residents to contact him with input on the proposed community center.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to adjourn at 7:16 pm. At roll call, all members present voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY

**STRASBURG VILLAGE CORPORATION
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2021**

FUND	CASH BALANCES ON 1-01-21	APPROPRIATION 2021	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	ENDING BALANCE	YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURES
GENERAL					198,241.05			790,172.44
POLICE					32,496.30			442,095.56
FIRE					14,522.59			169,007.59
SERVICE					20,355.74			263,054.42
GENERAL BAL.	730,977.30	2,037,675.50	654,589.35	27,069.96	265,615.68	416,043.63	1,349,396.34	1,664,330.01
POLICE LEVY	20,891.10	73,891.10	25,066.25	100.00	5,302.79	19,863.46	52,770.36	53,798.00
FIRE LEVY	176,357.28	348,357.28	195,082.90	8,241.84	8,516.11	194,808.63	181,836.39	163,385.04
STREET	63,537.62	263,537.62	62,705.04	18,882.93	18,639.99	62,947.98	220,661.29	221,250.93
HIGHWAY	8,354.95	23,354.95	10,834.72	1,426.64	306.17	11,955.19	16,508.07	12,907.83
PARK	130,525.10	292,525.10	208,064.42	100.00	2,069.23	206,095.19	158,664.94	83,094.85
LAW ENFORCEMENT	251.50	251.50	251.50	0.00	0.00	251.50	0.00	0.00
JEDD	79,564.43	807,564.43	572,300.07	62,993.11	2,925.00	632,368.18	804,270.30	251,466.55
FIRE DEBT SERVICE	14.31	14.31	14.31	0.00	0.00	14.31	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL IMPR.	40,680.52	198,180.52	9,595.38	0.00	8,770.00	825.38	137,550.86	177,406.00
WATER FUND	131,310.40	541,310.40	104,817.39	35,433.56	46,282.57	93,968.38	437,494.20	474,836.22
SEWER FUND	556,566.13	1,326,566.13	550,266.42	66,390.07	181,737.65	434,918.84	751,320.46	872,967.75
SSI	391,905.03	426,905.03	342,765.02	2,845.25	0.00	345,610.27	35,554.04	81,848.80
SEWER RESERVE	72,804.13	72,804.13	72,804.13	0.00	0.00	72,804.13	0.00	0.00
WSI	916,634.08	2,316,634.08	996,673.59	70,493.27	22,519.05	1,044,647.81	1,242,402.59	1,114,388.86
WATER PLANT	6,634.29	6,634.29	6,634.29	0.00	0.00	6,634.29	0.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT	143,191.83	143,191.83	143,191.83	0.00	0.00	143,191.83	0.00	0.00
INCOME TAX	3,676.75	1,023,676.75	8,576.25	54,370.50	780.14	62,166.61	1,076,718.49	1,018,228.63
PARK IMP TRUST	5,366.30	5,366.30	5,366.30	0.00	0.00	5,366.30	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	3,479,243.05	9,908,441.25	3,969,599.16	348,347.13	563,464.38	3,754,481.91	6,465,148.33	6,189,909.47

JANUARY 2021 CASH BALANCE \$ 3,479,243.05