

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting. Pastor Marcus Weaver led the prayer.

Members answering roll call were Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Don Wallick, Dustin Briggs, Liz Dreher, and Martin Zehnder. Other's present were Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger, Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Police Officer Brandon Warman, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Jerry Schultz, Allie Warman, Marcus Weaver, Jason Rissler, Brandon Baker, David Ayers, Bob Ciekanski, Carrie Hay, and Jamie White.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2022 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Bob Ciekanski from the Strasburg Soccer Club supplied council with information on the safety netting that the soccer club is proposing. Ciekanski noted that we are moving fields around and gave preliminary numbers on the cost of the netting. Dustin Briggs noted that there is a gas line in the area and that a locate of the line would be needed before any installation work on the netting. Jamie White provided council with information on a soccer tournament that will be held August 11-14, 2022. White noted that the tournament is being held as a benefit and the donations will be given to childhood cancer research. White noted that teams will pay an entry fee and that the club is looking for food trucks for the tournament.

Brandon Baker addressed council regarding the three-lane concept for Wooster Avenue, missed shifts for the 24/7 staffing at the fire department, and the camper for housing at the fire department being moved inside a bay at the station. Mayor Steve Smith noted that many residents responded in favor of the proposed concept on the village's website. Mayor Smith noted that Fire Chief Laskey is interviewing applicants for the fire department to get the department full staffed for the 24/7 coverage. Mayor noted that the camper being outside was in violation of the zoning ordinance so it was moved inside while the renovation of the social hall is being completed.

Dave Ayers addressed council regarding wording of the council news in the Times Reporter, council minutes, and resolution regarding the support of ODOT on the three-lane concept. Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger explained that the vote was approving a resolution and that he had written the language of the resolution and will take the blame if the language seems confusing.

Jason Rissler thanked everyone for the new playground and thanked the soccer club noting that his daughter is enjoying soccer and the new playground.

Mayor Smith congratulated the girls' softball team on winning state and thanked Nick Haswell for the flowers downtown and for taking care of them. Mayor Smith invited everyone to a dedication of the new playground in memory of Neal Dickerhoof on Sunday June 26, 2022 from noon to 3 at Franklin Park. Mayor Smith handed out information to council regarding another emergency notification system to review.

Village Administrator Ron Lambert reported that Newton Asphalt was the low bidder through the county paving program in the amount of \$ 170,935.00. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to accept the bid from Newton Asphalt. At roll call, all members voted approval and Legal Counsel Seeberger will prepare an ordinance for the next council meeting awarding the paving to Newton Asphalt. Lambert reported that the top coat of asphalt will be installed on Maple Avenue this week, weather permitting and that the curbing has been completed on Fernsell Avenue and the paving will be installed through the county paving program.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster supplied council with a report including new shed, a new fence and porch roof, and a new pool and fence. Foster noted that he is working with Legal Counsel Seeberger on two repeat addresses regarding trash issues. Foster noted that he will meet with Seeberger and Officer Warman after the council meeting regarding a junk car complaint and will meet with the planning commission regarding a new sign at the mall.

Police Chief Dave Warrick reported 247 calls for the month of May, noting the increased enforcement of traffic has resulted in tickets for speeding, several OVI's, and drivers under suspension. Warrick reported that he has been interviewing applicants and that he will get information to Seeberger regarding two applicants that will be hired full time for the department. Warrick presented officer Brandon Warman noting that he was sworn in four years ago today, is a great officer, and loves this village and treats everyone with respect. Warrick promoted Warman to Sergeant for the department. Warrick presented the sergeant chevrons to Brandon's wife Allie to pin Brandon. Mayor and council congratulated Warman on his promotion.

RESOLUTION R-2022-7

Resolution R-2022-7 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution R-2022-7, A RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION, APPROVING SUBMISSION OF 3.7 MILL LEVY TO THE VOTERS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM (BEING THE TAX YEARS 2022 THROUGH 2026). At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-23-2022

Ordinance O-23-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, 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 Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-23-2022, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING POLICE CHIEF TO HIRE PART-TIME NEW POLICE OFFICER. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-24-2022

Ordinance O-24-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, 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 Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-24-2022, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FIRE CHIEF TO HIRE PART-TIME NEW FIREFIGHTER. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-25-2022

Ordinance O-25-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, 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 Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-25-2022, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE O-1A-2022, WITH RESPECT TO RATE OF PAY FOR POLICE SERGEANTS. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Marty Zehnder thanked cemetery sexton Bruce Metzger for the upkeep of the cemetery.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to enter into an executive session at 6:53 pm to discuss police personnel. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:23 pm. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to adjourn at 7:24 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY