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# VILLAGE OF MADISON Regular Council Meeting August 22, 2022

#### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Britton called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mayor Britton invited all in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Britton requested that everyone observe a moment of silence. Council Members Mr. Adams, Mr. Donaldson, Ms. Drown., Mr. Lee and Mr. Vest were in attendance. Also in attendance were Administrator Mr. Bailey, Law Director Mr. Szeman, Fiscal Officer Kristie Crockett, Village Engineer Eric Haibach and Chief of Police Troy McIntosh.

#### **MINUTES**

Mayor Britton announced minutes to be approved for the Council Meeting held on July 25, 2022. Motion for approval made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussions - None

Roll call on approval, 5 yeas. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING: None** 

#### FIRST HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL:

Christopher Valletto/Owner Trax Construction (30701 Euclid Avenue Wickliffe, Ohio) – Mr. Valletto spoke in regards to Ordinance No. 19-2022. Mr. Valletto asked Village Engineer Mr. Haibach why his company did not receive the contract (for the Sanitary Sewer Interconnect Project) as they were the lowest bidder and why was the bid given to an out-of-town Contractor? Law Director Szeman advised Mr. Haibach not answer these questions as they are out of order, referring to Rules of Council 111.10.

#### **PAY ORDINANCE**

Mayor Britton presented Pay Ordinance No. 2471: \$109,936.98 for payroll and \$268,670.52 for current and upcoming expenses, for a total of \$378,607.50.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussions - None

Roll call on approval, 5 yeas. Motion carried.

**OLD LEGISLATION: None** 

# **NEW LEGISLATION:**

ORDINANCE NO. 17-2022: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ADVANCE FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECT FUND FOR THE H20HIO MADISON VILLAGE WETLAND PRJOECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1st Reading)

Moton for suspension made by Vest, seconded by Mr. Adams.

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**Questions/Discussion:** None

Roll call on the motion: 4 yeas. Mr. Donaldson abstained. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Adams.

<u>Questions/Discussion:</u> Administrator Bailey explained that this is an advance until the grant funds are received from H2Ohio Grant Fund.

Roll call on the motion: 4 yeas. Mr. Donaldson abstained. Motion carried.

# ORDINANCE NO. 18-2022: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 14-2006, AS AMDENDED, TO MODIFY THE FEE STRUCTURE FOR VARIOUS SERVICES AT FAIRVIEW CEMETERY. (1st Reading)

Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Adams.

**Questions/Discussion:** None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

# ORDINANCE NO. 19-2022: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF CHIVERS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE SANITARY SEWER INTERCONNECT PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SAME, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1st Reading)

Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

<u>Questions/Discussion:</u> Councilman Lee asked for clarification from Law Director Szeman as to which of the bids were lowest and best. Law Director Szeman stated that the lowest and best is subject to the discretion of the Council.

Councilman Adams asked for explanation from Engineer Haibach as to how he decides which Contractor he recommends to Council, after reviewing the bids. Mr. Haibach explained that when the bids come in, the first order of business is price ranking. Mr. Haibach shared the pricing received from each bidder with Council. The bidders must also provide an experience record that shows they are capable of doing the work that is being asked of them. Also, with the challenges that come with this project, due to the scope of work, all three bidders were given the opportunity to submit supplementary experience records.

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

# RESOLUTION NO. 13-2022: A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIC C. SHARP TO THE POSITION OF FULL TIME PATROL OFFICER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1st Reading)

A motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

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<u>Questions/Discussion:</u> Chief McIntosh stated that the hiring is contingent on his pre-employment requirements.

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

# RESOLUTION NO. 14-2022: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MADISON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FURNISH A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER TO THE SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1st Reading)

Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

# PURCHASE ORDERS AND OTHER APPROVAL PERMITTED BY MOTION:

A purchase order in the amount of \$7,783.50 to Core & Main to replace two broken fire hydrants in the Village.

Administrator Bailey explained that he approved this purchase prior to the meeting, as he felt this is an urgent situation due to the recent fires in the Village.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

# > Engineer's report -

Mr. Haibach reported that the Hyder/Kim paving project is currently advertised for bid. The bid opening is to be held on August 26, 2022 at noon. He stated that the Engineers estimate is \$180,000.00 for construction cost. The completion date is November 30, 2022. There are currently four plan holders.

# > Fiscal Officer's report -

Mrs. Crockett reported that she received the 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Real Estate Settlement, she is in the process of requesting the balance sheets from Lake County for this settlement.

# Police Chief's report –

Chief McIntosh thanked Council for the appointment of Officer Sharpe. He stated that he has over five years with full-time patrol experience. He also served as a Sergeant and a K-9 handler. He is excited to get him sworn in, trained and out on the road. He stated with his experience, he is going to be a great asset to the Department.

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He also thanked Council for the approval of the SRO at South Elementary. He stated that he has been working with the school personnel prepping for the school year. He reported that school started today with all of the grades present. The day went smoothly with just the normal traffic flow issues to which they are continuing to work on.

He reported that earlier in the month the Department participated in National Night Out in Painesville. The event promotes police and community partnerships. He stated that this was the first year that they took a car to the event and they came home with a second-place trophy for the police cruiser showdown, as voted by participants.

He also reported that earlier in the year, they applied for a grant from the State of Ohio that would cover 75% of the cost of body armor. They recently received notification that this was awarded. They are now in the process of replacing Officer's vests that are nearing their end of life.

Chief McIntosh provided a brief update regarding signage for the Police Department.

A brief discussion was held regarding the new door at the Police Station.

# > Administrator's report -

Administrator Bailey reported that Madison Village received \$4,770.00 from the NOPEC Energized Community Grant. This amount was applied towards the heater at the road garage.

He reported that Madison Village also received a grant from the State of Ohio in the amount of \$50,000.00 for park improvements at the playground. We also received a \$50,000.00 grant from the State of Ohio to install an access walkway in the Wetlands Project at the Madison Senior Center.

He stated that he received the paperwork today as to access the funds, so they are now available so we can start planning the projects.

He stated that the Village was picked up from OPWC in the amount of \$800,000.00 for the Middle Ridge paving project. Of that, \$231,000.00 will be grant, \$150,000.00 will be loan and the other \$381,000.00 will come from Village funds. Once the Sanitary Sewer Interconnect Project is complete, we will resurface Middle Ridge Road.

#### **COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS: None**

#### FINAL HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL:

Marie DeHaas (37 Eagle Street) – Mrs. DeHaas spoke in regards to the problems on Eagle Street regarding the occupants of the several rental property homes in that area.

She also inquired about the properties on W. Main Street. She and her husband purchased 13 W. Main Street and stated that they are in the center of three derelict properties.

In closing, she inquired about the bagged fire hydrant on her street. Mayor Britton explained to her that the purchase order approved for Core & Main this evening is to fix that hydrant.

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Phil Crawford (5212 Greenbriar Lane) – Mr. Crawford expressed his displeasure with the contract for the Sanitary Sewer Interconnect Project being awarded to Chivers Construction Company, Inc.

Karl Welms (30427 Ridge Road Wickliffe, Ohio) – Mr. Welms feels that this project should not have been awarded to an out-of-town contractor.

John Perry (11330 Winding Brook Lane Chesterland, Ohio) – Mr. Perry suggested that Council look into what kind of safety training Chivers Construction Company, Inc. has.

Christopher Valletto – Mr. Valletto thanked Councilmen Lee & Adams for raising some questions. He also expressed his displeasure with awarding the contract to an out-of- town contractor.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor's Report: -

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:33 pm made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Vest. Roll call on adjournment, 5 yeas. Meeting adjourned.

Sam Britton Jr., Mayor

Mark V. Vest Council President

DATE

Attested:

Kristie M. Crockett Fiscal Officer

DATE