# SARDINIA VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

Roll Call:

Art Hoovler

Present

Juanita Watson

Present Present Seth Cooper

Absent

**Dustin Puckett** 

Present

Bill North

Vacant Seat

DATE OF MEETING: June 8, 2020

Council reviewed the minutes from the May 11, 2020 Regular Meeting. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Art Hoovler. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

Council reviewed the bills to be paid and bank reconciliation. *Motion to pay the bills was made by Juanita Watson. Bill North seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.* 

#### **Audience**:

- Patricia Reifenberger came to Council asking for something to be done to repair the slip in her yard that has occurred since the installation of the sewer main out Purdy Road. Ty Pack, Administrator will get in touch with the contractor who completed the work, Unger Construction, for them to come and assess the situation.
- Eric Torguson, with T Engineering, came to Council to introduce himself and his firm to the Council. They are a new civil engineering firm from the Cincinnati area. They focus mainly on water, wastewater, infrastructure, pump stations, etc.

## Police Department: Chief Jim Lewis

- Tickets written for the May 21 court date totaled 26 with 27 violations. 25 of the tickets were written on SR 32. 2 reports were taken.
- Officer's Barg and Bohl assisted with the Memorial Day Cruise.
- Chief Lewis introduced Sarah Christman to Council. She is interested in becoming a Cadet with the Sardinia Police Department. She is from the area and is deciding if she wants to enroll in the Police Academy to become a certified Police Officer.

Juanita Watson moved to go into Executive Session for discussion on personnel covered by the ORC 121.22 G1. Bill North seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed. Art Hoovler moved to come out of Executive Session. Bill North seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

Bill North moved to accept the resignation of Council Member Beth Dotson. Juanita Watson seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

### **Zoning:** Jim Townes

• Zoning Administrator, Jim Townes presented Council with an issue he has come across on Highland Ave. in regards to an Ordinance that was passed restricting on-street parking to help with the safety of people coming off of Highland Ave. onto Maple Ave. This has created additional issues with parking for 108 Highland Ave. Dan Mays wants to get a driveway permit for a second drive for 108 Highland Ave, but does not want to put the driveway in. Essentially, he wants the two remaining on-street parking areas to be designated as his driveways. There have been issues with vehicles being parked for extended periods of time, vehicles blocking the access to 108 Highland, etc. Mayor Townes requested that the parties involved with the parking issues show common courtesy to each other. Jim Townes wants Council to make a determination about issuing the driveway permit. After much discussion, it was recommended that this issue be reviewed by the Public Safety Committee. There was discussion about who serves on the Public Safety Committee since Dustin Puckett as an interest in the issue and Beth Dotson's position is now vacant. Tom Mayes stated we can fill Beth's position on Public Safety Committee with another member of Council. Juanita Watson moved to appoint Bill North & Art Hoovler to the Public Safety Committee for the month of June. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

#### Finance Committee: Art Hoovler - Chair

- They discussed the Charlotte & Mae Street waterline replacement project.
- Delinquent utility bills totaled a little less than \$12,000.
- They discussed putting an additional Police Levy on the November ballot. There was discussion about what the millage should be. Art Hoovler moved to approve the drafting of a Resolution for an additional Police Levy after we get the information from the County Auditor about the millage. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

#### Public Safety: Mayor Townes covered the meeting

- They reviewed and revised the bond schedule for Mayor's Court. They would like to set the minimum to \$150.00. Chief Lewis stated that the bond schedule has not been updated in 10 years. He stated that the only thing they changed was the minimum ticket cost, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> offenses for speed and seat belt violations. Art Hoovler moved to approve the updated bond schedule. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.
- They discussed adding a cadet to the Police Department.
- There have been several incidents of theft in the last month.
- We will be advertising for a 32-hour Police position.
- Mayor Townes and Chief Lewis updated Council on the new Mayor's Court Magistrate.
- Mayor Townes provided Council with an Officer Activity report.

- The sealed bids for the two retired cruisers were opened. Rob Tucker had a winning bid of \$300.00 and Mark Kaetzel had the other winning bid of \$319.00.
- Ty Pack stated that the old Ford truck will be sold in the same fashion.

#### Public Works: Juanita Watson - Chair

- Discussed approval for the Mayor to hire Chris Bales as the new Public Works employee. His starting pay will be \$14.00 with a probation period of 90 days. He will be evaluated after the probation period is over.
- The Charlotte & Mae Street waterline project was discussed.
- They discussed the maintenance at the Cemetery. The mowing contractor is doing a good job. The old part of the cemetery needs some attention. Karen stated that Chris has already completed that job.

### **Administrator:** Ty Pack

- Charlotte & Mae Street Waterline Replacement Project: Ty updated Council on the status of the project. We need to approve the Resolution authorizing the loan for the project. At that time the engineer will put the project out for bid. Hopefully we will have the project completed by the end of August.
- We are responsible for mowing out on State Route 32 from Matthews Road to State Route 134. We are planning on contacting Washington Township to see if we can rent their mower, or contract with them to mow for us.
- There was a discussion about the need for another mower. At this time, it needs to be reviewed by Finance Committee.

#### Fiscal Officer: Karen Miller

- Karen provided Council with a copy of the 2018-2019 audit report. It is also on the website. The two items that were mentioned in the audit have been addressed and corrected.
- Mayor Townes and Karen have completed the organization and cleaning of the office files in accordance with the Records Retention Schedule.

#### Mayor: Tina Townes

- <u>COVID-19 Update:</u> Mayor Townes stated that the office will be opened by appointment only at this time. The playground will be opened on June 10 and the park bathrooms should be open by the end of the week.
- <u>Unmaintained Yards:</u> Any yards that we find unmaintained, will be mowed for \$100 per yard by Doss Mowing same person that mows the cemetery. Any yards that we have done, the cost will be assessed to property taxes.
- Railroad Property: Tom Mayes, Solicitor has filed a complaint against the railroad about the property maintenance and the conditions of the road aprons at the crossings.
- <u>Utility Update:</u> Mayor Townes updated Council on the delinquent accounts: 7 people are delinquent since March in the amount of \$1,279.05; 8 are delinquent since April in the amount of \$2,314.81; 21 are delinquent since May in the amount of \$4,879.86; there are currently 106 that have not paid for June in the amount of \$30,991.28, but it isn't due until tomorrow. Total amount delinquent is \$8,473.72.
- Spectrum: Mayor Townes has been working to get Spectrum to the Village. She received an email requesting an address assignment for a parcel on Sardinia Mowrystown Road. It will be 7420 Sardinia Mowrystown Road.
- Resolution 1447-20: Emergency Resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for, accept and enter into a water supply revolving loan account for the Charlotte & Mae Street Waterline Replacement Project. Mayor Townes read the title of said Resolution.
  - o Art Hoovler moved to suspend the three-reading rule. Bill North seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.
  - Art Hoovler moved to adopt Resolution 1447-20. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.
- Resolution 1448-20: Budgetary Resolution to approve the transfers in accordance with the 2020 Final Budget. Mayor Townes read the title of said Resolution.
  - o Bill North moved to suspend the three-reading rule. Juanita Watson seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.
  - o Bill North moved to adopt Resolution 1448-20. Dustin Puckett seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.
- Ordinance 1208-15 Discussion: Ordinance 1208-15 allows for rental property owners to be billed for water only, up to 300 gallons, when cleaning a property when a tenant moves out. With Ordinance 1272-20, it was set that any property with a structure that has a sewer tap connected will be charged a minimum sewer charge each month. Ordinance 1272-20 overrides Ordinance 1208-15. Art Hoovler moved to rescind Ordinance 1208-15. Juanita Watson seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

Mayor Townes asked for a motion to adjourn. Dustin Puckett moved to adjourn the meeting. Bill North seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

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Tina Coday Townes, Mayor

Karen G Miller Fiscal Officer