

VILLAGE OF MOSCOW REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

March 1, 2021

Regular Council meeting called to order, pledge of allegiance at 6:00pm by Mayor Suter, with roll call by Bill Gilpin

English - Present Forbes - Present Roark – Present
Turner - Present Gorth - Present Caudill - Present
Mayor Suter – Present Andrew Gephardt, Administrator - Present
Bill Gilpin, Fiscal Officer –Present Emily Supinger, Solicitor –Present

Also present – Deputy Brown, Joe DaGiau, Dennis Cooper

*Motion to accept the minutes of the February 1, 2021 meeting by English, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Forbes – yea Roark - yea
Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

*Motion to pay bills by Turner, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Forbes – yea Roark - yea
Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

GUEST SPEAKER: None

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Andrew Gephardt reports:

- **CDBG Grant:** Should we also include sidewalk along 2nd Street to Riverfront Park?
- **Clermont County Parks Grant:** Awarded \$15k for new playground
- **ODNR Boat Ramp Grant:** Due April 1st
- **GovDeals:** Truck sold for \$1,067
- **Fitness Center:**

Dennis Cooper reported that the natural gas line on US 52 may soon be available for extending and connecting for residential use at little or no cost.

There was discussion on adding additional sidewalks to the CDBG grant application adding a sidewalk along 2nd Street to Riverfront Park. Phil Turner suggested adding a curb cut to allow for boat trailer parking.

Phil Turner asked Andrew Gephardt to develop a master plan for the new playground.

There has been some abuse of the fitness center lately including chalk on the floor and mud tracked in.

Tim Forbes asked what the park grant will pay for. Andrew Gephardt noted that the first phase will be for installation of a safety surface on the ground. The village will need to purchase the initial set of equipment.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT: Bill Gilpin reports:

Reported that Ordinance 2021-05 for permanent appropriations only has two changes from the temporary appropriations. The annual financial report for the CIC has been uploaded to the Auditor of State’s office.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Phil Turner reports:

The finance committee spent a considerable amount of time discussing medical insurance costs and implementation of sewer and trash collection fees; suggested amount was \$20 per month for each service. Mayor Suter added that the idea is to dedicate a percentage of real estate tax and deregulation revenue for medical insurance coverage. Emily Supinger suggested holding a public hearing on the proposed charges and having readings of the enacting legislation in April, May and June with an effective date of July 1, 2021.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Emily Supinger reports:

Reported that the Jones property has been closed on and transferred to the village; the easement for the walking trail is being worked on. Phil Turner requested to review the specifications on the fence plans first.

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MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Suter reports:

Reported that the village dumpsters are being abused by non-residents and asked council members to question anyone they do not recognize using the dumpsters; also reported still working on the paperwork for leasing the acreage for farming.

Dennis Cooper asked if the village was planning on having the July 3 event this year. Andrew Gephardt reported that the date has been reserved with the vendor but council has not yet made a final decision. Dennis Cooper indicated that Washington Township may consider assisting with the fireworks cost if necessary; Andrew Gephardt will send a letter to the township.

Mayor Suter noted that the river is rising and advised everyone to keep an eye on it.

READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE 2021-05 – AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF MOSCOW, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

*Motion to waive the readings of Ordinance 2021-05 by Forbes, seconded by Caudill

English – yea	Forbes – yea	Roark - yea	
Turner - yea	Gorth – yea	Caudill – yea	MC

*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-05 by English, seconded by Caudill

English – yea	Forbes – yea	Roark - yea	
Turner - yea	Gorth – yea	Caudill - yea	MC

OLD BUSINESS:

Tim Forbes asked if Duke Energy had been contacted about installing LED lights and correcting poles that are leaning. Andrew Gephardt reported that Duke has been contacted and they will be coming out to look at the poles.

Cindy Gorth asked if the water fountain upgrade has been decided. Andrew Gephardt replied that a decision has not yet been made; also noted that there have been problems with some of the restroom fixtures that were upgraded failing; waiting on replacement parts to come in.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC INPUT: None

*Motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm made by Forbes, seconded by Gorth

English – yea	Forbes -yea	Roark - yea	
Turner - yea	Gorth – yea	Caudill - yea	MC

APPROVED BY: _____
TIM SUTER, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY: _____
BILL GILPIN, FISCAL OFFICER