VILLAGE OF MOSCOW REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

March 7, 2022

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

English - Present Nichols - Present Roark – Present

Turner - Present Gorth - Present Caudill - Present

Mayor Suter – Present Alan Ausman, Village Administrator - Present

### Bill Gilpin, Fiscal Officer –Present Emily Supinger, Solicitor –Present

Also present – Tracey Suter, Washington Twp. Trustee Dennis Cooper

\*Motion to accept the minutes of the February 7, 2022 and February 15, 2022 meetings as amended by Roark, seconded by Nichols

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

\*Motion to pay bills by Gorth, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

Washington Township Trustee Dennis Cooper reported that Steve Seng will be the new contract deputy for the township; offered township financial assistance with the fireworks costs; Zimmer Station management has confirmed that May 31, 2022 is still scheduled to be the final day of operation for the plant. Mayor Suter added that he has received the same responses from the Zimmer Station management.

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**  Alan Ausman reports:

* **Maintenance:** Treating the sewer plant daily; cleaning and servicing the lawn mowers getting ready for mowing season; cleaning and managing the community center use; estimate for backhoe repair is $1173; sanding and coating of gym floor is set for April 25 (gym will be closed for one week)
* **Zoning:** BZA hearing set for March 15 for 109 Broadway
* **Fireworks:** Received an email stating that the cost would increase $800 for the same amount as last year and must be ordered asap
* **Rumpke:** Contract ends June 1, contacted our new rep who is working on a new contract for the village to consider
* **Grants:** Roberts paving will be starting the river front and 1st Stop walk path at the end of April; Fillmore Construction will be starting the Wells Street sidewalk project in the middle of summer
* **Legislation:** Have legislation for application of Clermont County Parks District to add a slide to our community center park

Mayor Suter noted that that New Richmond is having their fireworks on July 3 this year, adding that with the recent cuts in revenue it might not look good to spend money on fireworks.

Phil Turner asked Dennis Cooper how much the township would be willing to donate towards the cost of fireworks; response was the same $4,000 as last year. Phil Turner stated that he and his wife would be willing to cover the $800 increase in cost as this may be the last year the village can afford the fireworks.

Tracey Suter suggested asking 1st Stop for a donation; Phil Turner suggested asking the Zimmer Station for a donation as well.

Emily Supinger noted that the new Rumpke contract will be for 2 years with 3 additional one-year options.

\*Motion to have fireworks at a cost not to exceed $10,000 by Turner, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

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**FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:**  Bill Gilpin reports:

Reported that finance committee has reviewed the temporary appropriations and made the necessary changes for the permanent appropriations ordinance for consideration this evening; the 2020-2021 financial audit will be beginning soon.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** Emily Supinger reports:

Nothing to report

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Phil Turner reports:

Reported that the village has 5 major projects going on that require grant funding matches; the sewer plant and trash collection expenses are being made from the new funds created for that purpose; Broadway Street and Hazel Alley will be ground and paved.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Suter reports:

Mayor Suter reported that the WWTP also needs a new circuit board and updated communications capability; received a quote from JR Trees for $1,000 for tree work.

**READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

ORDINANCE 2022-06 – 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, 2022

\*Motion to waive the readings of Ordinance 2022-06 by Gorth, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

\*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-06 by Caudill, seconded by English

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill - yea MC

RESOLUTION 2022-07 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR THE 2021/2022 COMMUNITY PARKS IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE CLERMONT COUNTY PARKS DISTRICT

\*Motion to waive the readings of Resolution 2022-07 by Caudill, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

\*Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-07 by Gorth, seconded by Nichols

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Phil Turner asked about the Duke Energy street light project; Alan Ausman will look into it.

Todd English asked about the concrete floor refinishing. Alan Ausman reported that the estimate came in at $8k so he is looking at other alternatives.

Cindy Gorth noted that the history books sold quickly and asked permission to purchase 10 more.

\*Motion to purchase ten additional village history books by English, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Lisa Nichols reported a street light needing repair; Alan Ausman will take care of it.

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**PUBLIC INPUT:**

Tracey Suter congratulated Emily Supinger for being recognized by Cincinnati Magazine as a “Super Lawyer” in the Cincinnati area.

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

English – yea Nichols -yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill - yea MC

APPROVED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TIM SUTER, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

BILL GILPIN, FISCAL OFFICER