

Mayor Lisa Mear called the regular session of the Village council meeting to order at 7:00PM, all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was called with the following council members in attendance, Mr. Dan Pillow (Zoom), Mrs. Lisa Stafford (Zoom), Mr. Dan Dalton, Mrs. Ann Pillow (Zoom), Mr. Steve Dalton (Zoom) and Mrs. Pam Jackson. Also attending the meeting were Village Clerk Margaret Ann Dozier, Village Treasurer Audrey VonLuethre (Zoom) Village Solicitor Robert G. Kelly (Zoom) Acting Police Chief/Lieutenant Don McWhorter, Cameraman Marc Mear.

Clerk's Report Margaret Ann Dozier

February 1st, 2021 council meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Dan Dalton to adopt the minutes as printed, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted.

February 2nd, 2021 special council meeting/public hearing minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Stafford, seconded by Mrs. Jackson to adopt the minutes as printed, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted.

PAY ORDINANCE 3-A in the amount of \$9,794.61 for biweekly payroll paid on 2/12/2021. A motion was made by Mrs. Jackson, seconded by Mrs. Stafford to authorize the expenditures, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted.

PAY ORDINANCE 3-B in the amount of \$11,995.11 for biweekly payroll paid on 2/26/2021. A motion was made by Mrs. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Dan Dalton to authorize the expenditures, discussion on Item #4, Item# 6 snow detail worked by Acting Police Chief/Lieutenant Don McWhorter, Mayor Mear stated she spoke with Betsy Amend of the Auditor Staff who said that Mr. McWhorter would receive his regular hourly salary not that of the Maintenance Supervisor, that council would need to record their approval in the minutes with a copy of the minutes attached to the time card, overtime status for Officer Pate who worked overtime for the Acting Chief of Police several members of council expressed the need for council to be aware of this type of situation prior to the action taken, Mayor Mear explained that the Maintenance Supervisor was out of town thus Mr. McWhorter handling the snow detail. Council expressed their appreciation to Mr. McWhorter for stepping up and helping the village with the snow detail. Mrs. Jackson questioned Item # 12 on Condolence leave if the leave was covered in the Policy and Procedure Manual. Village Clerk Dozier stated she paid the leave believing it was a relative listed in the Policy and Procedure Manual. Discussion on the Village Clerk refusing to pay various leave if the proof of document is not given to her and that council would support her action (refer to tape). No, further discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion carried.

PAY ORDINANCE 3-C in the amount of \$7,350.0 for monthly salaries paid on 2/15/2021. A motion was made by Mrs. Pillow, seconded by Mrs. Jackson to authorize the expenditures, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted.

PAY ORDINANCE 3-D in the amount of \$62,158.66 for accounts payable. A motion was made by Mr. Steve Dalton, seconded by Mr. Dan Dalton to authorize the expenditures, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted.

Treasurer Report – Audrey VonLuehtre reported that she had to get with the Water Clerk on some deposits from January and she would give her report at the next meeting.

Mayor's Report – Lisa Mear

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets & Housing/Community Development – Dan Pillow, Chairman

He requested that the Clerk go back for calling on the vote not change the format. He questioned when council was going to address the last audit, the cost involved, he has asked before a report on the cost but yet hasn't received one he knows it over \$70,000 Mayor Mear stated that the cost involves two audits, he felt council should meet on a Saturday or anytime to go over the audit.

Continued Streets & Housing/Community Development – Dan Pillow, Chairman

He had spoken to the Betsy Amend concerning the audit the possibilities for a financial emergency status for the village, he just feels that council should not only meet on the audit but on the future plans for the village that each committee should have something they want to see happen for the village.

By mutual consent council agreed to meet in Special Session on March 22nd, 2021 from 6-8pm to review the audit. Mr. Pillow questioned the pay increase for the Village Secretary/Clerk of Courts, he pointed out that council discussed giving a 3% raise to the employees back in 2020 but it did not happen, certain employees received raises, the Village Secretary/Clerk of Courts did not while others did, he felt that she was asking for \$19.00 per hour she had other job offers but wishes to stay in Addyston. Mr. Steve Dalton, Finance Chairman spoke on the matter of the raises for the Part-time Police Officers that they council was told a pay increase would prevent the police leaving because other police departments paid more, then the COVID Pandemic happened, and the village was not sure if the projected revenue coming into the village would be stable or short. Mr. Dalton stated that the Finance Committee had included a 3% pay increase in this year's budget for the position of Village Secretary/Clerk of Courts. A motion was made by Mr. Pillow, seconded by Mrs. Pillow to bring the Village Secretary/Clerk of Courts hourly rate of pay to \$19.00 per hour, refer to tape for further discussion, and Roll call vote: Mr. Pillow Aye, Mrs. Stafford Nay, Mr. Dan Dalton Nay, Mrs. Pillow Aye, Mr. Steve Dalton Nay, Mrs. Jackson Nay, 4 Nays to 2 Ayes motion failed.

Mr. Pillow gave an update on the Park Project, council reviewed the list of expenditures for the Park, A motion was made by Mr. Steve Dalton, seconded by Mrs. Jackson that council authorize purchase orders for Items #1 thru Item #10 \$15,175.99 on the park improvement list provided by Mr. Pillow, discussion that these expenditures should deplete the funds from the Ohio Development of Natural Resources, no other discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted. Mr. Pillow stated he would get with Margaret on the purchase orders (refer to tape). Mr. Pillow stated that he had received some information from SORTA about money available to repair, resurface Main Street from Dining Lane to Germany Lane he would email her on the information.

Police – Dan Dalton, Chairman

He reported that the Police Committee had met several times on the LEXPOLI Policy and Procedure Manual, and they had met early tonight, and the Committee is recommending that the Village adopt the manual for the Addyston Police Department this is not replacing the Village adopted Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual it is a tool that the Police Department can use for law enforcement. Mrs. Jackson questioned the Village Solicitor on his views of the village adopting the LEXPOLI manual he replied that Acting Chief McWhorter would need to stay on

top of the manual, the training, especially with Mayor's court being twice a month, etc. for discussion refer to tape. A motion was made by Mrs. Stafford to enter into a one-year agreement with LEXPOLI, seconded by Mr. Dan Dalton, refer to tape for discussion, and Roll call vote: Mr. Pillow Aye, Mrs. Stafford Aye, Mr. Dan Dalton Aye, Mrs. Pillow, Aye, Mr. Steve Dalton Aye, Mrs. Jackson Nay. Five Ayes one Nay motion adopted.

Planning Committee – Ann Pillow, Chairman

She plans to schedule a Planning Commission meeting Mayor Mear state she wanted to invite the Planning Commission members to the Planning Committee meeting she did not have a problem with it. Mrs. Pillow stated when she had the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting, she would send them out, she also feels that if Erin leaves to go to another job that the position should be looked at and she feels Erin should get the raise she asked for.

Finance Committee – Steve Dalton, Chairman

He stated that he had emailed all of council a copy of the draft 2021 Appropriations, he went over some of the areas of concern, he stated that some of the fire house expenses need to come out of the general fund due to the current fire revenue is for fire protection.

He reviewed the ODNR Grant money stating there is approximately \$9,333.80 in the appropriations with \$8,999.98 left at the state and another \$8,500 in the We Thrive Fund reserved for the park improvements he asked Mr. Pillow had long it thought it would take to finish the park project (refer to tape).

Laws and Contracts – Pam Jackson, Chairman

She would like to hold a committee meeting to look at the village contracts. The Committee agreed to Tuesday, March 9th at 12:30 PM.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Department – Acting Police Chief/Lieutenant Don McWhorter

He gave council an update on the number of warrants, citations, issued for the month of February. He reported that the department is holding over \$8,000 in drug forfeiture money until the cases are closed/resolved, he reported having problems with their current reporting software and requested permission to switch to Sundance Systems Inc. that some of the other departments in Hamilton County are using i.e., Deer Park, Glendale, at a cost of \$850.00 per year. A motion was made by Mrs. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Steve Dalton to authorize the switch to the Sundance Systems software, refer to tape for discussion, and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted. He requested permission to install an MDC and docking station in the 2016 Tahoe having Mobile Com do the installation the cost would be under \$1,000 for the equipment and installation. A motion was made by Mr. Steve Dalton, seconded by Mrs. Jackson to authorize the purchase order not to exceed \$1,000.00, refer to tape for discussion, and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted. He brought before council the opportunity to attend free Police Chief training in September sponsored by the State of Ohio he does not know if he will be appointed Addyston Police Chief, but he would like to attend the training, the training is free, he would just need lodging expenses, he would use one of the patrol cars for travel, he would get the information together.

Mrs. Jackson asked about having the Water Board Clerk Lisa Walker take the RCIC training. Acting Police Chief McWhorter stated that she could take the training online here at the municipal facility. A motion was made by Mrs. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Dan Dalton to authorize the training and certification for Lisa Walker, refer to the tape for discussion, and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted. As there was nothing further to come before the village council a motion was made by Mr. Dan Dalton, seconded by Mrs. Stafford to adjourn, no discussion and Roll call vote: 6 Ayes motion adopted. Minutes prepared by Margaret Ann Dozier, Village Clerk. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on March 15, 2021.


Margaret Ann Dozier
Village Clerk


Lisa Mear
Mayor Village of Addyston