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## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on January 15, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Village of Fort Recovery Council Meeting Room to conduct regular business.

Roll call was conducted with the following Council members Present: Erik Fiely, Cliff Wendel, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson and Dave Bretz. Absent: Al Post. Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, Erin Minor, PG Jellison, Julie Valentine, Jerry Guggenbiller and Aaron Heilers.

The Mayor led with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** Wendel made the motion to approve the following correction to the December 4, 2017 minutes, line 10 (*second by Fiely <u>should be</u> seconded by Post*) and also approve the December 18, 2017 minutes; this motion was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Reports to Council: VA Report. December Income Tax and Finance Reports.

**Poll Visitors:** Aaron Heilers was present to introduce himself to council. Aaron is running for State Representative to District 84. This office is currently held by Keith Faber. Aaron is a resident of Anna and a manager at Blanchard River Farms. He is a Republican and will be running against Travis Faber and Susan Manchester in May.

Tom Stankard from the Daily Standard arrived.

Mayor: Les Wenning has agreed to become a member of the Tree Commission.

Wendel made a motion to approve the appointment of Les Wenning to the Tree Commission for a three year term, seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Wendel nominated Dave Bretz as Council President. No other nominations were made. Wendel made a motion to appoint Dave Bretz as Council President seconded by Pearson. Vote all yes.

**Mayor:** The 2017 Police stats show 22 more reports completed and 300 more calls were taken in 2017 vs 2016.

Wendel made a motion to designate Roberta Staugler to attend a three hour Sunshine Law Training as required per term for councilmen Dave Bretz, Cliff Wendel, Greg Schmitz and Erik Fiely. This was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

## RESOLUTION/ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION 2018-01 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE ODNR FOR GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE NATUREWORKS PROGRAM. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes. Wendel made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION 2018-02 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2017-36. Pearson made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes. Wendel made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Erin Minor: Cooper Family Foundation: I submitted a request to the Cooper Family Foundation at the beginning of November in the amount of \$20,000 to help bridge the funding gap for the pool fence project. We should hear back soon. The cost of the fence will be around \$40,000. We received a NatureWorks grant for the project totaling \$15,883.

**OPWC:** Council needs to enter executive session tonight to discuss the possible purchase of property.

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**NatureWorks Grant**: The 2018 NatureWorks grant application is due May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Park Board approved requesting funds for the purchase of new entrance signs for Community Park and Fort Site Park, as well as Ambassador Pool. We are looking at signs that would incorporate some stone, landscaping, and lights. We will be seeking public input in the coming weeks on the design of the signs and will be applying for grant funds in April.

Capital Budget Funds: We submitted an application in December seeking funds to improve the three diamonds at Community Park and the diamond at Fort Site Park. Erin will check on the status of the application at the end of January.

**Pavilion:** The committee continues to sell pavers and accept donations. We are also selling raffle tickets for a new golf cart at the boys and girls home basketball games and at Wangler Hardware. We will meet with the contractors and the committee next Monday to discuss a schedule for construction.

Minor: Annexation: Leuthold: The paperwork for this annexation has been completed.

Income Tax: A group of over 137 municipalities joined together to challenge the centralized collection provisions that were in the most recent state budget bill. The enforcement of the provisions has been put on hold (i.e., has been "stayed") with respect to the municipalities that joined the lawsuit. We think the risk is low for the state to come after the municipalities that did not join the lawsuit. We should know more about the lawfulness of the provisions in the coming months after the court renders its decision regarding the preliminary injunction.

High School Diamond: Last fall we agreed to purchase the high school baseball diamond if the Fort Recovery Baseball Diamond Club raises enough money to build a new diamond at the Fort Recovery Elementary and Middle School. I am working on drafting an option to purchase agreement that would give the village the first right to purchase the existing diamond if sufficient funds are raised to build a new diamond. The Fort Recovery Baseball Diamond Club is in the process of fund raising. The School Board approved the construction of a new diamond at the school, with the condition that sufficient funds are raised/secured to complete the project.

Bretz: Do we have a plan to replace the Industrial Park signage? Minor: Yes. The plan would be to install park and pool signage first and then at the industrial park and the entrances to town. We want it to be something very nice. We would like to incorporate the fort into the village entrance signs. Diller: We have a meeting with the sign company this week. We are trying to decide if we want just one industrial park sign or signs on both sides of SR 49. Minor: We would like to have the names of the businesses listed on panels that can be changed out in the event a different business moves into the industrial park.

Randy Diller: I would like to give a shout out to J & M Mfg. They took on the project of redoing the downtown trash cans. They repaired and powder coated them. They did it all at no charge; they look very nice. Last year they also repainted the merry-go-round at Community Park.

Street Sweeper: We are actively pursuing the purchase of a street sweeper.

William Street: Tom's Construction is going to wait to start on the Williams Street Project until school is out. The project will go quicker without the traffic. They may show up early to do storm work which goes through the school yard. Minor: I have been in contact with OPWC and the revised construction schedule is ok with them.

Courts Project: The Courts Project has to be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Utility: The EPA water site visit went fairly well. They requested our Contingency Plan be in a new format. We did have it completed for her visit and now have a few corrections to make. We had three minor mentions not violations. 1.) Heaters need to be installed in the water plant. 2.) We need to paint the clarifier. 3.) We need to fix a cracked transfer pipe. All items are on

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our to-do list and will be taken care of. We will continue with the CSO post construction monitoring. We will also be working on the Asset Management Plan required by the Senate Bill. All small municipalities now have this requirement which must be in EPA's format. They do not want small communities not completing necessary maintenance. We will probably need to work on obtaining an asset management system. We will also begin replacing our aerators at the lagoons after submitting monitoring information to EPA. We will also install an effluent meter at the lagoons.

Fort Recovery Industries: We are working with Ft Recovery Industries to determine the possibility of accepting waste from their plating process if they move it to the Industrial Park. We also continue to test Wendel Poultry's waste system.

**Industrial Lot:** Inergy sold their lot to Nathan and Stephanie Bruns. We put in a standing offer of \$15,000 per acre and Nathan and Stephanie purchased it for \$19,000 per acre.

**OBWC:** We received our report from OBWC which showed we had no claims in 2015 and 2016. Randy informed council that he will do something for the employees to show appreciation as our annual fees have gone down approximately \$10,000.

Mayor: Do I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss the purchase of property in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §122.22(G)(2)? Wendel made a motion to enter executive session to discuss the purchase of property seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Fiely made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes.

No action was taken in executive session.

Poll Council: Nothing to report.

Council reviewed invoices #027478 to #027517 including then and now certificates, interdepartmental transfers and memo expense #201787 to #18004. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

**Pearson made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Schmitz**. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.

Mayor Dave Kaup

Roberta Stauglér