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# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY REGULAR COUNCIL

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

May 7, 20 18

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dave Kaup called to order the Regular Council Meeting on May 7, 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: Cliff Wendel, Al Post, Greg Schmitz and Dave Bretz. Absent: Erik Fiely and Scott Pearson Also Present: Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, PG Jellison, Sydney Albert, Ryan Lefeld, Ashley & Kaitlyn Bricker and Jared Laux.

The Mayor led with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** Wendel made the motion to approve the April 16, 2018 minutes and also approve a correction to the April 2, 2018 minutes (*Resolution 2018-04 should read Resolution 2018-05*); this motion was seconded by Post. Vote all yes.

Reports to Council: VA Report.

**Poll Visitors:** Nothing to report

**Chief:** I have no update on the cruiser purchase. Brandon attended CIT training. This is training on handling individuals with mental health issues. We will hold a Self Defense class on May 12<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm; seven people have signed up thus far. We will conduct the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade tour on May 18<sup>th</sup> and work the Mad Run May 19<sup>th</sup>. Benefit Tractor Pulls will be June 1<sup>st</sup>; Rockford & St Henry PD will be assisting.

**Diller: William Street:** The Preconstruction meeting was held. Tom's Construction is planning to begin construction the week of Memorial Day and plan to be completed by late July.

**Courts Project:** The courts project is moving along quickly. They will be installing curbing tomorrow and asphalt next week. It will be three or four weeks before it can be painted. Everything they need including light poles has been delivered.

Bruns Construction has submitted Draw#3 in the amount of \$74,014. Wendel made a motion to pay Draw#3 in the amount of \$74,014. to Bruns Construction, seconded by Post. Vote all yes.

Utility: Lagoon: We met with two different companies regarding aeration at the lagoons. They are both different technology. We will review their proposals. We ran a pilot study on the lime sludge removal. The company will be here to tweak the process this week. We will pursue this route if it works. It will not cost us to get rid of the sludge and the lime pond won't overflow. Bretz: What will you do with the lime? Diller: Farmers land apply it. Mayor: How will you store it? Diller: We may use a dumpster to store it. One dumpster would last six weeks. We will still need to drain the clarifier twice a year, which we will do when it is dry out. At some point we will clean it out and probably make it smaller. Schmitz: What is your plan for the lime? Diller: We could take it to the landfill, put it on fields or we may give it away. Mayor: Will we no longer need the honey wagon? Diller: No we won't but we will not get rid of it right away. We will want to make sure the system works.

**Pavilion:** Construction is planned to begin in June.

Capital Budget: Erin will be making the first reimbursement request soon. We have not received the grant agreement for the Diamonds Project yet.

**Zoning:** The Zoning Committee met regarding the request for set-back variance for the proposed Casey's General Store. Their request was to change the alley setback from 10' to 6' from the alley. The request was approved.

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**NatureWorks Grant:** We are finalizing the application to be submitted by June 1<sup>st</sup>. We are planning to ask for funds to purchase and install new entrance signage at Community Park and the pool. We are also planning to ask for funds to purchase new bleachers for the pool and ball diamonds at Community Park, and possibly shade canopies for the dugouts.

Community Foundation: We have submitted a grant request on behalf of the Pavilion committee for \$30,000. We should find out this week if it has been funded.

Street Sweeper: We had the opportunity to purchase a street sweeper last week as St Marys was trading in theirs. We looked at it and talked to the mechanic. We thought it was a 2011 model but it was actually a 2012. It was stored inside and has been maintained well. We were leery because of the low price. In 2011 they paid \$230,000 and we paid \$32,000. Contract Sweepers took it as a trade in and it is not the brand they handle. We paid for it last week and it is in our possession. We will begin using it next week. They will also sell us brooms that they purchased which should last us a long time. Wendel: What is the value of our old one? Diller: There is a company in Jackson Center I have contacted and am waiting on a return call. We will be passing legislation that will allow us to put it on Gov Deals. It is a 1999 and runs and works well. The hopper needs to be replaced, which could cost \$20,000 and is the reason we are getting rid of it. We don't want to put that much money into an old machine.

Street lights: The proposal is in to Miami Valley; they plan to install in the next few weeks.

**Storm Sewer Levy:** The levy we have on the books begun in the 1990's during the flooding. The current renewal will expire at the end of 2018. We have the option to run as a renewal or a replacement; it is council's decision. Council was in agreement to run it as a renewal. We will have the required legislation at the next meeting.

Mayor: Eric Wendel asked me if there is anything that can be done to the riser on his property. **Diller:** It is a manhole. The barrel was installed to keep the river from running into the manhole during high water. **Mayor:** Can it be eliminated? **Diller:** If we remove the riser the water will run into it. When we have huge floods is the only time it runs into it now. The only other option would be to taper the ground out around it; we would lose a minor amount of retention. **Mayor:** I will report back to him.

**Overlay Project**: We advertised last Thursday. We will have the bid opening on May 17th. The Engineers estimate was \$97,000. **Bretz**: Did the Research Committee look at the north end of First Street? **Diller**: Yes, if we put anymore asphalt there it will be higher than their garage door. The County is paving there but it probably will not be until next year. We will have the bid results at the next meeting.

Casey's General Store: We received the final designs and studies for the increased storm water and traffic. Ryan Lefeld and I have reviewed it. I will have Ryan explain more. Lefeld: I think it will be in the best interest of the town if Casey's maintains the western alley due to the increased use by them. There is some screening and a grass section that I think they should extend the screening and hug the building more to give more room in the alley. I would like to see more specs of what will be around the dumpster. I want to know what material will be used for their retaining wall and also want to see their lighting plan. If this becomes a 24/7 store I don't want to keep the neighbors awake. In regard to utilities; they have upsized the storm tiles on the site plan but they would be tying into a smaller tile. I think they need to downsize to tie into the system. The laterals are new. They may need more than a 3/4" water line. I think they need to utilize the existing storm tile. The biggest thing I see is the traffic impact. What improvements could be made on the intersection? The traffic study has nine warrants that are necessary to qualify for state money on four qualifiers. Three of the big areas are 4-hour & 8hour peak flows which are now about ½ way to the required flow and school traffic in/out. There are other funding options. St Henry is trying to qualify for the TAP Program with ODOT. If you have 20 kids crossing on a pedestrian crossing then you qualify for certain funds. Right now the signal must be funded with local money. Bretz: How much would a light cost? Lefeld: \$200,000. Bretz: Can we tell them (Casey's) to pay for it? Lefeld: The study does not

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show that it is warranted. Diller: The numbers are not high enough. We have not had enough crashes. Schmitz: Does the pedestrian count include kids going to school? Laux: Would the Fire Department make a difference? Lefeld: I think the pedestrian count includes school. The signal counts are close but not close enough; it must be over 20. Diller: Our thoughts are to monitor what happens with St Henry to see if there is any leftover funding from the TAP program. Lefeld: The next funding year is in 2019. Diller: We may need to do a safe route to school plan in order to apply. We have been making sidewalks 5' to fit their plan. We are working on the 2019 budget; maybe this is something we need to pursue. **Bretz:** Can you say something to Casey's to see if their corporation can kick some money into it? We didn't go looking for them, they came to us. Diller: We can have a discussion with them. We have done traffic study. They are not creating more traffic, it's already there. Bretz: You can't say that there won't be more cars. Diller: It is already added into the numbers. Mayor: Would it hurt to have a barrier added, there is no room to square up. Diller: Casey's traffic will impact it less than Shell. Laux: The last two accidents were from cars going in and out. Diller: We could go back & put a curb in at Shell, they will probably still drive over it. I don't see anything that will warrant serious action. I think we should use Ryan's recommendations. No approval is needed from Council. I have received feedback from the Fire Dept and other individuals about the intersection. Laux: Can we make it a four way? Lefeld: You would have to talk real nice to the

**Broadway St:** The path we were taking to seek funding from Jobs Ohio is not a viable option for us. We have shifted gears due to a change in the program and will now go after CDBG funding. It is only available if neighborhood income qualifies on Broadway Street. We will conduct a survey of the whole area which will be good for five years. It could open up funding for First Street. The program had maximum amounts of \$300,000 in state funding and \$150,000 in county funding every other year; this will increase to \$500,000 and \$150,000. The question is should we survey all of Broadway or should we split it up. Erin and Randy will be out meeting with residents in the next couple of weeks.

The Ordinance we have tonight is to authorize the signing of the purchase agreement on the Bertke property. We are not purchasing it at this time, just agreeing to purchase it down the road.

Village Uniforms: We have a policy in place. The current contract we have with CINTAS expires at the end of May. If we switch to a uniform allowance to allow for purchase of high vision safety clothing and coats, which are OSHA approved, we will lower our cost to \$1,400 annually from the current \$3,600. They would be allowed to purchase coats and water proof boots. We have been looking at different companies and hope to narrow down the styles soon.

**Upcoming events**: Spring Clean-up will be May 19<sup>th</sup>. The only change this year is there is a limit of two large furniture items only, you must purchase a tag for the other large furniture items. Merchant Cruise-In May 11<sup>th</sup> will be from 6pm to 10pm. The Farmers Market was held this past week.

**Park Board:** The meeting will be next Monday at 7:00pm immediately following the 6:00pm park tour. FRYSO is happy with the concession stand which was just completed.

**Poll Council:** Schmitz: I have had some comments from residents about alleys that need graveled. **Diller:** We go through in the spring and fall and add gravel. **Schmitz:** Who is responsible for cleaning the sidewalks up town? **Diller:** The property owner, we have talked to some of them in the past. Possibly we could have our summer help go in and power wash them.

Mayor: May I have a motion to enter executive session to discuss the employment matters in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §121.22(G)(1)?

Bretz made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss employment matters this was seconded by Wendel. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

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Wendel made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Post. Vote all yes. No action was taken from the Executive Session.

Erik Fiely arrived at 8:46pm

#### RESOLUTION/ORDINANCES

RESOLUTION 2018-07 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND. Wendel made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Post. Vote all yes. Bretz made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION 2018-08 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY INTERNET AUCTION. Wendel made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Post. Vote all yes. Fiely made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes.

RESOLUTION 2018-09 A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$100,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET CONSTRUCTION MAINTENANCE FUND. Wendel made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Post. Vote all yes. Fiely made a motion to pass the resolution seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes.

ORDINANCE 2018-03 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT BY MAYOR & FISCAL OFFICER. Wendel made a motion to suspend the rules seconded by Post. Vote all yes by roll call vote. Post made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

Council reviewed invoices #027741 to #027835 including then and now certificates, interdepartmental transfers and memo expense #180030 to #180031. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Fiely. Vote all yes.

Wendel made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Fiely. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Mayor Dave Kaup

Roberta Stauglei