Village of Clinton Regular Council Meeting Minutes Of

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Mayor Clarissa Allega called the meeting to order on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 7 PM in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Allega and recited by all those present.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Kent Goch, Lewis Rash, Marissa Gensimore, Bud McDaniel, Janice Godwin, and Ellen Conroy.

Others Present: Deanna Jenkins, Diane Gunter, Leah Weirick, Village Fiscal Officer; Jeff Ferjutz, Zoning Inspector/Street Commissioner; Kevin White, Street Laborer; Kathy Vadas, Solicitor's Law office; Officer Heimbaugh, New Franklin PD.

Approval of Council Minutes

Mr. McDaniel motioned to approve the minutes of November 16, 2021 as written, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Rash, Gensimore, McDaniel, Godwin, Conroy and Goch voted yes. Motion passes.

Solicitor Monthly Report - Nothing to report.

Police Monthly Report

The November report was read aloud to all present. Mrs. Godwin asked why she was not receiving the monthly reports that normally came to her at Village Hall. Because of the new dispatch, those reports have changed as there is a new program and they are prepared in Green. The officer will contact the Green Dispatch Center and deliver it to Village Hall by the end of the month. Mrs. Allega asked about replacement street signs. She asked about the status on the street sign vandalism. He indicated over the last 7 months no calls have come in regarding signage vandalism and there is nothing new regarding the investigation.

Fire Chief Monthly Report

Chief Conroy read the call report to those in attendance. He added that the levy will be back on the ballot in May. The law director will work on all the legislation necessary. Mrs. Gensimore said we need to start looking at reformulating the package and offer more informational meetings, etc. We will be able to discuss more of what was behind the split from New Franklin.

Street Commissioner Monthly Report

Jeff Ferjutz introduced the new Street Laborer, Kevin White. He has been called out to salt already his first month with us. We are working on getting the one-ton truck fixed – will need a new ram (telescopic cylinder) to hoist the bed on. This was the bed we took off the other truck. There is a leak and we need to be proactive on it. The parts are in Canada and take 6 to 8 weeks to get here. The truck can still be used, but this needs fixed. There are three quotes but there were issues regarding the cost of the part plus the labor. Mr. McDaniel said there is not a solid quote here to vote on. The lowest one does not tell us enough information.

Mr. Goch made the motion that Council approve repairs not to exceed \$4,000, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Gensimore, McDaniel, Godwin, Conroy, Goch and Rash voted yes. Motion passes.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Resolution No. R-21-29 is to amend appropriations for this year. She explained how she reduced some areas to free up money for other areas – Street, Fire, CDBG, and FEMA needed to be adjusted. This needs passed tonight and sent to the County for their final budget meeting.

Unfinished Business - Nothing to report.

Mayor's Communications

Summit County Public Health indicated COVID cases are rising – the winter surge – and Hospitals are filling up. Some elective procedures are being cancelled. Sometimes EMS cannot unload their patients at hospitals until beds are available that put's EMS behind.

The Flood Task Force is meeting in December next week. It may go remote again because of COVID concerns.

Council Communications and Committee Reports

Mr. Goch indicated there was a Streets Committee meeting this evening and nothing of substance resulted from the meeting.

Mr. Rash will be putting ribbons on the street light poles that are out. He was told to do that along with getting pole numbers where possible.

Citizen's Comments

Diane Gunter thanked Mr. Rash for being Santa Claus. The event was a great time.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Third Readings - None.

Second Readings

Ordinance No. O-21-27

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. O-20-26, Establishing the Pay Rates for Certain Employees, Effective January 1, 2022, and Declaring an Emergency.

First Readings

Resolution No. R-21-29

A Resolution Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2021, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule, second by Mr. McDaniel.

Roll Call: McDaniel, Godwin, Conroy, Goch, Rash, and Gensimore voted yes. Motion passes.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to adopt, second by Mr. McDaniel.

Mrs. Weirick had explained earlier the reason we needed to suspend the three-reading rule.

Roll Call: Godwin, Conroy, Goch, Rash, Gensimore, and McDaniel voted yes. Motion passes.

New Business - Nothing to report.

Council General Discussion

Mrs. Gensimore reported that there will be a Christmas Party after the next Council meeting and hopes the regulars attend as they have in the past.

Mr. McDaniel said the Veteran's Park looks very festive and all the events are completed for the year.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mr. McDaniel motioned to approve the purchase orders and pay the bills as presented, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Conroy, Goch, Rash, Gensimore, McDaniel and Godwin voted yes. Motion passes.

Motion by Mr. McDaniel to adjourn, second by Mr. Rash. Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Bud McDaniel, Council President

Mayor Clarissa Allega

Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer