Village of Clinton Council Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2020

Mayor Clarissa Allega called the meeting to order on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:01 p.m. in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Conroy and recited by those present.

Council Members present: Mayor Clarissa Allega, Marissa Gensimore, Lewis Rash, Kent Goch; Bud McDaniel, Ellen Conroy, and Jan Godwin.

Others Present: Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; and Terry Siegenthaler, Street Supt.

Approval of Minutes – October 6, 2020

Mr. McDaniel made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with one correction on page 3 regarding the council and mayor raises. They were only being discussed at this time, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Rash, Gensimore, McDaniel, Godwin, and Conroy voted yes to amend the minutes as Mr. McDaniel reported. Mr. Goch, abstained. Motion passes.

Solicitors Report: Mayor Allega reported that the Opioid litigation is still on-going.

Police Report: No report.

<u>Fire Chief Report</u>: Chief Conroy read the fire department report. Mrs. Gensimore said as this is Fire Protection Month, she asked whether the fire department was able, through grants, to get smoke detectors and fire alarms for those who cannot afford them. Chief Conroy stated that he had attempted to contact an individual in Summit County who donates them but has not heard from them. There are no grants at this time. Hopefully in the future we will be able to get some.

Street Commissioner Report:

Mr. Siegenthaler was contacted by a couple of residents and the owner of Rusty Railz on the corner of N. 4th and Division about putting up a no parking sign. People are parking in front of their mail boxes and the Rusty Railz have had fender benders occur. A resolution is needed to put up no parking signs in this location. You can't block a mail box or a driveway. This is the Village's property. The Ohio Revised Code explains where no parking signs are allowed to be erected. Residents need to be talked to about this, as well as our solicitor.

The backhoe is in need of repair. He called to get it in to the shop and it will be 4 to 5 weeks and then they will have it a week or two. He will try to borrow and worst case, we will have to rent one.

Zoning Inspector Report: No report this week other than more violations are being addressed.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Another round of CARES ACT money came through and that brings us to receiving just under \$160,000, money from state and county. The County changed their agreement with us for payroll and we initially had to spread out over the whole year and only a certain percentage of fire wages and now I can use 100% and just use without spreading it out. Reporting on this went to the state today that we have used it all. Mr. Rash asked how much we are down in revenue. We are down about \$38,000.

Unfinished Business

Mr. McDaniel stated we are working on the final modifications to the broadcasting project that's been going on for the past several months.

Mayor's Communications

Mayor Allega attended the Summit Soil and Water annual meeting in person. She continues to attend county briefing calls. The pandemic is not going away and flu season has started. Flu shots are highly recommended and follow guidelines for this flu season as with COVID.

She should get policing numbers from Canal Fulton this week. New Franklin, if we go forward with them, will go three readings on the contract. We need to make a decision by the middle of November. We need to make a decision soon and have a first reading at the next meeting to have a smooth transition January 1 if we go with someone else. She has not heard back from Lawrence Township. Right now, dispatch is through New Franklin for police and fire. We have to have fire dispatch on January 1. Mr. Rash asked if this is putting us in a tight spot — we should have worked on this since January and he was told it has been.

Early, in-person voting is going on at the Summit County Board of Elections. You cannot vote early at Village Hall. In-person voting at Village Hall will be on Election Day, November 3, 2020. They will provide sanitizing supplies and do all they can to have a safe election. The BOE does not provide a deep clean afterwards. Computers and other areas will be covered as best as we can prior to voters entering the building. Computers will be turned off before plastic is placed over them.

We have a new cleaning company, Heavenly Touch Maids, and they are doing an excellent job. They clean on Mondays.

Mayor Allega stated that our fiscal officer has confirmed that several Village businesses are in tax compliance that have applied for Summit County small business grants and those who have applied are paying their taxes and in good status. We have sent this information over to the Greater Akron Chamber for the next step of the grant process.

She added that repeated phone calls to Village employees and visits to their homes during off duty hours should stop.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports

We need to have a Safety Committee meeting before the next council meeting. The meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:00. This will be live streamed and open to the public for the meeting. COVID-19 safety measures are still in place. Mrs. Gensimore said we have room for 5 residents to be in attendance, 6 feet apart at our Council meetings.

Trick or Treat is on October 31, 2020, 6 to 8 PM.

Mr. Rash indicated a light is going on and off by the salt shed area - Division and Chippewa. The light pole number will be checked and called in.

Resolutions and Ordinances

No legislation on the agenda.

New Business - No new business.

Council General Discussion

If residents have any questions or issues or need information, please don't hesitate to call Village Hall. Minutes and agendas are readily available.

Mr. Rash asked about paper copies of GIS maps and was advised this information can be found online. He can use the spare computer at Village Hall or at home. Log in to the County's webpage by parcel number or property owner.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mr. McDaniel made a motion to approve the purchase orders and bills, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll call: McDaniel, Godwin, Conroy, Goch, Rash and Gensimore voted yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Leah Weirick, Village Fiscal Officer

Bud McDaniel, President of Council

Mayor Clarissa Allega

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