

**Village of Clinton
Council Meeting Minutes of
November 17, 2020**

Mayor Clarissa Allega called the meeting to order on Thursday, November 17, 2020 at 7:03 p.m. in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Marcie Kress 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: Eric, IT Specialist; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; Marcie Kress, Executive Director, ReWorks.

Approval of Minutes – November 5, 2020

Mr. McDaniel made a motion to approve the minutes as written, second by Mr. Rash. Mrs. Gensimore had a correction on page 4 under New Business. It currently reads you can find details on the school's website, but actually I said the OVMP's website and needs to be changed.

Mr. McDaniel amended his motion to approve the minutes as corrected, second by Mr. Rash.

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

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to move the presentation by Marcie Kress, Executive Director, ReWorks to now instead of during Mayor's Communications, second by Mr. McDaniel.

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

Presentation by Marcie Kress, Executive Director, ReWorks

Mrs. Kress presented the 5-Year Solid Waste Plan which is required by the Ohio EPA. She explained the history and priorities of the plan which include maintaining services we currently provide, education, grants, composting, curbside recycling, food waste reduction, etc. They are relocating their administrative offices and adding a service center. They will not raise their generation fee - how the agency is funded. They need 60% of the population to ratify the plan by getting approval from municipalities/townships by November 25, 2020. There are no major changes to this plan.

Legislation on the agenda tonight that needs to be passed by emergency. Mrs. Kress has provided information which gave Council a chance to ask questions and give the public, as we are live, to hear about this plan. Mr. McDaniel praised the organization for the work they have done over the years in Summit County.

Solicitors Report: No report.

Police Report: No report.

Fire Chief Report: No report was in the packet but left one in Council and Mayor's mailboxes.

Street Commissioner Report: Mr. Goch reported for the Street Commissioner that the 2nd Avenue bridge is ground and they will try to pave it this week or next. The generator for Village Hall will be installed on December 10. A light pole fell at the ball field, damaging a portion of the fence, and the insurance company is to call us back about this claim.

Zoning Inspector Report: No report. He continues to write citations and it will be in his next quarterly report.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Mrs. Weirick explained the purpose of the new pieces of legislation that were on the agenda. Resolution No. R-20-31 amends annual appropriations because of COVID money that we needed to move from a line item to Personnel Services – used for salaries and also for money we got for payroll program from Summit County and the zoning inspector's pay increase not in the original budget. Ordinance No. O-20-32 is required by Summit County for our receiving the COVID money and needs to be passed this evening.

Unfinished Business

Mr. McDaniel brought up the issue of the parking/no parking by the Rusty Railz and indicated he has not had a chance to talk to the residents. Mr. Rash offered to do that.

Mrs. Gensimore brought up Council Rule, 121.02, Reconsideration: Any member who voted with the prevailing side may move a reconsideration of any action of the Council, provided that the motion be made not later than the next regular meeting after such action was taken, but not more than once shall a matter be reconsidered. She stated at the last meeting there was a motion made about pay raises for the mayor and council for a future budget. At that time, she voted for the motion and at this time wanted to rescind her vote and vote against the motion. She reconsidered what we do and why we do it, and felt she needed to rescind her motion. However, she believes the Mayor position deserves a raise. Rescinding her "yes" vote would make it 4, "no," and 2, "yes," thus the motion did not pass. Mayor Allega asked if we need to do a new roll call to see if anyone else's vote has changed. Mrs. Gensimore stated that if anyone else reconsidered, they have to bring forth themselves. She stated her vote from positive to negative takes care of it, and does not think, procedurally, another call for a vote is necessary. Mr. Rash asked about how to do just the Mayor, and Mrs. Gensimore told him that would be under New Business. A separate motion.

Mayor's Communications

Mayor Allega said that we had Marcie Kress here to speak to council about the ReWorks 5-Year Solid Waste Plan.

Summit County has awarded the 3rd and final round of Small Business Relief Grants from CARES Act funding and four Clinton businesses received funding which is awesome. They are still working on non-profit grants but none have been awarded yet.

Mayor Allega reported on the hospitals in Summit County are keeping up with the virus and influenza cases are still low but the flu is going around. There is a vaccine for the flu but not the Coronavirus, however, the same things that prevent the flu, combat Coronavirus, so we are advised to wash our hands, wear masks, and social distance, etc. There is a retail mask order in effect. Our businesses in town cannot afford to be shut down because customers enter without a mask and a BWC representative enforcing this happens to walk in the door and shuts the business down for 24 hours. Wear your mask when you walk into a place of business in town. There is a curfew that goes into effect on Thursday, 10 PM to 5 AM and people are to remain in their homes. All this is being done to not have a shut down. There are exceptions, like going to the grocery store.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports

Mr. Rash asked all in the Village to have a nice Thanksgiving and that these holidays are for the less fortunate and should be taken care of, this means a lot to him. Mayor Allega thanked Mr. Rash for all he has done for those within this Community.

Citizen Comments – None.

Resolutions and Ordinances

Second Readings

Resolution No. R-20-27

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.

First Readings

Resolution No. R-20-29

A Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Mayor of the Village of Clinton to Enter into an Agreement with the City of New Franklin Regarding Policing, Patrolling, and Related Services, and Declaring an Emergency.

Resolution No. R-20-30

A Resolution by the Council of the Village of Clinton, Summit County, to Adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan by the Summit/Akron Solid Waste Management Authority, DBA ReWorks for the Village of Clinton, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule due to the presentation by Marcie Kress, 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.

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

Resolution No. R-20-31

A Resolution Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ordinance No. O-20-32

An Ordinance Establishing Appropriations in the Amount of \$34,539.18 in the Summit County COVID-19 PSGP Fund, and Declaring an Emergency.

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

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

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

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

Resolution No. R-20-28

A Resolution Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020, and Declaring an Emergency.

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

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

New Business

Mrs. Gensimore stated that we need to entertain a pay raise for the Mayor's position. She made a motion to increase the Mayor's salary, not current elected term, but the next in 2023, to \$600, second by Mr. Rash.

Mr. McDaniel said we do not do this for the money, and he would forego a salary, but we have to think of future councils and give the entire group a raise, not just one position.

Roll Call: Rash, yes; Gensimore, yes; McDaniel, no; Godwin, yes; Conroy, yes; Goch, no. Motion passes.

Mr. Rash asked for clarification on this vote. He was told it was for the Mayor's salary for the next person who is elected mayor in 2023. Not her salary at this time. An increase to \$600 per month.

Council General Discussion

Mrs. Gensimore, also a Northwest school employee, reported on participating in the Veteran's Day drive-by. There were over 80 vehicles in the parade. All school staff and students stood outside with flags. It was an honor to watch as these veterans drove by, some in uniform who were actually crying. It was a wonderful occasion.

Mrs. Allega thanked Mr. Rash for donating all the turkeys to the less fortunate in the Village. Summit Council Member Bethany McKinney will be assisting as well with getting turkeys to homes in need.

It was decided not to have a Christmas gathering after the last meeting of the year.

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

Motion was made by McDaniel and seconded by Rash to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.



Leah Weirick, Village Fiscal Officer



Mayor Clarissa Allega



Bud McDaniel, President of Council