Village of Clinton Regular Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Council President Bud McDaniel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 7:00 PM in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lieutenant Wymer.

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

Others Present: Leah Weirick, Village Fiscal Officer; Jeff Ferjutz, Zoning Inspector/Street Commissioner; Marshal Pitchford, Solicitor; and Diane Gunter, resident. Another resident was present and spoke during citizen speaks.

Approval of Council Minutes

Mr. Goch motioned to approve the minutes as they have been written, second by Mrs. Godwin.

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

Solicitor's Monthly Report - No report.

Police Monthly Report

Jan Godwin read a written report from New Franklin PD. Mrs. Gensimore praised the New Franklin police department for responding to a call from her house of a suspicious person on the property.

Fire Chief Monthly Report

Lieutenant Wymer read the fire department report listing the number of EMS, Fire, mutual aid calls, safety inspections, etc. to council. There were two new fire fighters presented, Matt Carr and Jason Tate to hire in the Village FD. There was no problem with the background checks that were completed.

Mrs. Godwin made a motion to hire the two new fire fighters, second by Mrs. Conroy.

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

Street Commissioner Monthly Report

Jeff Ferjutz said the work on the railroad tracks is complete. He thanked Ellen Conroy for the advertising done to alert the public. The Wood Guy was contacted to remove the telephone poles at the baseball field.

Zoning Inspector Quarterly Report

Mr. Ferjutz reported on the Planning Commission meetings that took place this quarter. He is working with a couple property owners who own businesses and want they want to do is allowable in the village, but Summit County is prohibiting them to go forward with their plans. Mr. Ferjutz is in talks with the solicitor on this issue.

Fiscal Officer's Report

The bill for the recent electrical work that was done at Village Hall was \$5,500. This was not budgeted so she will need appropriation legislation for this expense and will have it at the next meeting.

<u>Unfinished Business</u> – Nothing to report.

Mayor's Communications - Nothing to report.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports

Mr. Goch reported on the Streets, Sidewalks and Parks Committee meeting. There was discussion on Village signs – placement, ownership, condition of, etc., and what needs replaced of ours and contact business owners on their signs.

Mr. Rash passed out information from Rural Community Assistance Partnership, Inc. (RCAP), and reported on the current sewer status. There is a meeting on April 11 with Doylestown as there is talk of working with them on the sewer to Clinton. This is only a potential proposal. We need to look into this further. Mrs. Godwin recalls a similar discussion with Doylestown years ago. Mr. McDaniel said this is worth looking into.

Mrs. Conroy said our website contract ends the end of June. We are looking at other options.

Mrs. Gensimore said there is a snag in getting the Community Newsletter out. They are going with the same printing company that does Northwest News.

There has been good attendance at the Fire Levy meetings.

Mrs. Gensimore brought up Memorial Day and the need for people to help with it and volunteer at the pancake breakfast. Parade marching groups are needed as well.

Citizens Comments

Diane Gunter reported on the S.W.O.R.D. program at Northwest and the kids are scheduled to come again this year on May 20. Jeff and Kevin will work with the kids on projects and mulching.

Mrs. Gensimore reminded everyone about the raffle and baskets to donate.

A resident asked about dates of the fire department meetings. He was told meetings are posted around town and published on Clinton Village Talk and Village official Facebook Page.

Resolutions and Ordinances - No legislation to address.

New Business

Solicitor Pitchford asked for a motion from council to recognize Mr. McDaniel as the acting Mayor so he could sign a settlement agreement with regard to the Opioid matter.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to recognize Council President Mr. McDaniel as acting Mayor so he can sign a settlement agreement regarding the Opioid matter, second by Mr. Rash.

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

Council General Discussion

Mr. Rash asked when does New Franklin give us a contract to know how much it will be for Police Services next year? Mrs. Gensimore responded that the mayor has reached out to them and they are in talks about this. The Safety Committee is exploring this as well. It's in the works. Our contract expires in December, 2022.

Mr. McDaniel added that spring is coming around and the Veterans' Park is open so please stop by and visit.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

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

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

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Rash, second by Mrs. Conroy. Meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Bud McDaniel, Council President

Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer

Mayor Clarissa Allega