

Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held July 27, 2020

Council met in regular session on July 27, 2020 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Chisholm, Dawes, Stancliff, Terrell and Ware. The Fiscal Officer recorded the minutes.

Minutes: Minutes of the July 13, 2020 meeting were accepted as submitted.

Mayor Pergram:

- Mayor is working in order to maintain a CedarFest event that conforms to State guidelines.
- Anticipate a scaled back event with food trucks and fireworks with questions regarding a band and a parade.
- Ballfield work should be completed this week. Rain has slowed down the project but actually helps it look better. Doing the second field would cost less than this one.
- Meeting with Miami Valley Lighting. They are proposing:
 - A five (5) year extension of the contract
 - Replacing all (228) lights in town to LED
 - There would be no out-of-pocket costs for any type of repair
 - Turnaround time for repairs would not exceed three (3) business days for 'routine' outages
 - Cost to install all of the lights would be \$14,075 in up-front costs. Reduced energy and projected increases would result in a project net cost of approximately \$863 at the end of four (4) years with energy savings continuing thereafter.

Mr. Dawes moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to accept the contract extension from Miami Valley Lighting for five (5) years and to proceed as soon as practicable with the replacement of all street light bulbs with LED bulbs. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Tax update:
 - The current income tax of 1.25% is set to revert to 1.0% at the end of 2020.
 - The local government funds (from the State) have not been restored back to previous levels
 - If Council would like to extend the current 1.25% income tax, the issue must be put on the ballot in November – which requires that the information be submitted to the Board of Elections by August 4.

Presented Ordinance 2020-08: Place motion on November ballot to extend the current 1.25% income tax for an additional 36 months beginning January 1, 2021 and continuing through December 31, 2023.

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Terrell seconded to waive rules and declare an emergency to vote on Ordinance 2020-08 so that the measure can be submitted to the Board of Elections to be placed on the November 2020 ballot. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Terrell moved and Mr. Dawes seconded to approve Ordinance 2020-08 and place the motion to extend the current income tax rate for another thirty-six months through December 31, 2023. Motion passed with all ayes.

Police Chief Combs:

- 184 calls since last report.
- MDT are down in all cars

- Drawings of the new police station are pending.
- Officers are signing up to work at the Greene County Fair.

Village Administrator Furay:

- Still picking up limbs after the last storm.
- Playground equipment scheduled to be delivered tomorrow
- Painting curbs and parking spots next couple of weeks

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$90,972.37 were submitted. Ms. Ware moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations – No report. Will meet on August 3, 2020.
- Finance/Utility – No report
- Fiscal Officer –
 - Reported on US Bank monthly fees. Council requests that FO meet with the bank and get these reduced or look at changing banks.
 - Provided update on overdue refuse collection accounts. These will be prepared to turn over to the County Auditor at the next meeting.
 - PEP insurance renewal for year beginning August 1 has been signed.
- Solicitor –
 - Annual conference will be on-line this year.
 - Received a letter from Mr. Kuzma regarding classification of the new police station
- Zoning – Written report
- Parks director – No report

Council Comments:

- Councilmember Ware: noted that there is a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Community Park on August 11 at 7:00 to showcase the updates made there.

Guests Comments:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m. The next council meeting will be held on August 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.