

Village of Windham Ohio

Minutes of Special Council Meeting

Held April 26, 2021

At 7:01 p.m. the Honorable Mayor Scott Garrett called the meeting to order and led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our country.

Roll Call: Cheryl Belknap – present Lawrence Cunningham – present
 Terrie Altieri – present Cindy Cale – present
 Cheryl Taylor – present Sherri Pennington – present

Also present were: Tom Reitz, Eric Breiding, Elizabeth Derthick, Debbie Blewitt, Tom Brett, and Denise Bly.

Mrs. Cale made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, which was seconded by Mrs. Altieri and carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Mrs. Cale made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2021 Special Council Meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Belknap and carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Fiscal Officer Cheree Taylor gave the Financial Reports as follows: The Income Tax collected year to date March 31, 2021 was \$101,020.06. The expenditures for the month of March 2021 were \$120,717.94 in checks and charges. Check numbers 36869 through 36947 were paid from the primary checking account during March 2021 with one check, number 36846, voided during the month. Direct Deposit Vouchers 120-2021 through 149-2021 and 155-2021 through 176-2021 were also paid during the month of March 2021. The all funds reconciled balance for March 2021 was \$1,784,014.67.

Village Council President's report by Lawrence Cunningham – Mr. Cunningham said Junior Barker passed away and his wife said that the Windham EMT's were very responsive and were diligent in trying to revive him. Mr. Cunningham said Debbie Blewitt and himself meant with Senator Jerry Sereno. Last week they did a blitz for the school levy. The cleanup went well. Another property was sold behind the bank.

Dispatchers Police, Fire and Rescue Reports for March 2021 by Cindy Cale – Mrs. Cale made a motion to accept the Police, Fire, and Rescue Reports for February 2021, which was seconded by Mrs. Taylor and carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Mayor's Communication by Scott Garrett – Mr. Garrett said the cleanup was organized and efficient.

Prior requests of guests to speak – None

Finance by Cindy Cale

Mrs. Cale made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer's expenditures for the month of March 2021 as reported. Mrs. Altieri seconded this motion and it carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Mrs. Cale made a motion to approve the all funds reconciled bank balance for March 2021 in the amount of \$1,784,014.67 as reported. Mrs. Altieri seconded the motion which carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Safety, Personnel, Rules (SPR) by Terrie Altieri

Mrs. Altieri made a motion to ratify the Committee of the Whole's recommendation to make Tyler Morris a full-time Police Officer effective April 18, 2021. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Cale and carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Utilities by Cheryl Taylor – Mrs. Taylor had nothing at the time

Service Committee by Cheryl Belknap

Ms. Belknap read Resolution R-2021-7 **A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, ACCEPTING A GRANT FOR TWO EV**

CHARGING STATIONS FROM THE OHIO EPA, AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

and made a motion to suspend the rules, which was seconded by Mrs. Cale and carried by a 6 – 0 vote. Mrs. Belknap made a motion to adopt Resolution R-2021-7, which was seconded by Mrs. Altieri and carried by a 6 – 0 vote.

Economic Development by Lawrence Cunningham – Mr. Cunningham said Debbie Blewitt, Sherri Pennington and himself are working on a grant through Kabota for a new basketball court. They received some letters from students stating the importance of the basketball court to the Village of Windham’s youth and these letters will be submitted with the grant. This grant is nationwide.

Parks and Recreation by Sherri Pennington – Mrs. Pennington said she spoke with High School and the National Honor Society is interested in helping with the Community Cleanup sometime in May. We just have to come up with a date and a task list.

Planning Commission by Scott Garrett – Mr. Garrett had nothing at the time.

Solicitor’s Report by Tom Reitz – Mr. Reitz there is some progress in the suit that was filed on the filters at the Sewer Plant. Mr. Reitz said he is going to write a demand letter to CT Consultants and the manufacturer for a response.

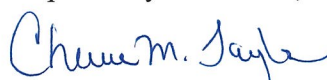
Guest Recognition – None.

Last Chance of Council to Speak on Any Subject – Ms. Belknap spoke with Nick and Brugmann and they said they are going to repair the parking lot at Circle K. Brugmann is looking to buy his shop and Circle K. Nick said that he gives permission to put food trucks in the parking lot at Sparkle. Debbie Blewitt said has been compiled of people who need to mow and clean up their properties. Also, fences have been looked at. Mr. Cunningham has seen increased Police presence in the Village. Chief Breiding is planning on putting 3 more part-time Police Officers on the payroll. There was discussion on whether to go back to in person meetings. Council decided to hold May meetings in the Community Building. Debbie Blewitt said she will have it set up. There was discussion about opening the Administration Building. Council decided to open the office on May 3, 2021.

Council looked at the calendar for May 2021. The Committee meetings (Parks & Recreation and Committee of the Whole) will be Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. The Council Meeting will be Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a Planning Commission Meeting Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Community Building.

Mrs. Altieri made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mrs. Cale and by unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheree M. Taylor, Clerk of Council

Attest,


Scott Garrett, Mayor

**** NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE SUMMARY BY DIRECTION OF COUNCIL ****
All Council & Committee Meetings will be held in Windham Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.