

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Members answering roll call were Liz Dreher, Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Dustin Briggs, Martin Zehnder, and Don Wallick. Others present were Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Fire Chief Andy Slemmer, Legal Counsel Richard Fox, Eli Bosler, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Jerry Schultz, Tom Spidell, Kendra Wolgamott, and Logan Wolgamott.

A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Liz Dreher, to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2020 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

The July financial statement, July Unified Bank Statement, July SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills was presented and reviewed. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve the July financial statement, July Unified Bank Statement, July SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills in the amount of \$ 122,801.69. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Legal Counsel Richard Fox reported to council that he and Engineer Don Dummermuth have reviewed the contract from Dirt Dawg Excavating and that all looks good and will get the signatures on the contracts. Fox reported that he is working on the assessment information for the Oak Avenue paving project for the next council meeting, noting that the project may begin. Fox noted that he received communication from American Electric Power regarding revised leases for easement areas for a supplemental line from Baertown to Wilmot and advised council for authorization of the line through the village. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to grant authorization of the supplemental line. At roll call, all members voted approval and Fox will draw up an ordinance for the next council meeting.

Marty Zehnder addressed Village Administrator Ron Lambert regarding the need to expand the sewer plant. Lambert reported that earlier in the year he explained that the first issue is filtration and that camera work was done in the deep sewer lines that shows serous leakage. Lambert reported that he has contacted a contractor recommended by the City of Dover and that a representative has looked at the issue and we have received an estimate of \$ 50,000.00 for sewer line relining and rerouting of manholes. Lambert reported that our wet weather flows are 200,000 gallons over the dry weather flows noting that it is a worthwhile proposal to see if we can reduce these flows with the repairs. Mayor Steve Smith noted that the sewer plant loan will be paid off in 2023. Lambert noted that this is the first step that we need to take before the expansion of the plant.

Eli Bosler addressed council regarding the issue of the safer grant ending this year and the need for funding of the part time staffing for the fire department for 2021. Mayor Smith noted that the fire levy renewal will be on the ballot for November and that there is a need to meet with the Franklin Township Trustees regarding the funding to continue the part time staffing. Finance Chairman Jeff Smith noted that we do not foresee any changes in the staffing at this time and will discuss the budget to determine the staffing that will fit in the budget.

Fire Chief Andy Slemmer recommended to council to hire Tiffani Weller as a firefighter/EMT for the Strasburg Fire Department. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to accept the recommendation and authorize Legal Counsel Fox to draw up an ordinance to hire Tiffani Weller as a firefighter/EMT for the Strasburg Fire Department. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council noted that they will schedule a work session in the near future with the Franklin Township Trustees to discuss the part time staffing of the fire department.

Tom Spidell addressed council regarding Fall Softball. Legal Counsel Fox noted that council had passed criteria regarding the use of the ballfields at the park and asked Spidell to stop at his office on Wednesday to receive a copy of the criteria that was passed by council. Council held a brief discussion on fall sports and the order that was passed by the Governor. Jeff Smith noted that council received a request from the Strasburg Franklin School Athletic Director for the bleachers from the ballfields to be moved to the end zones of the football stadium for seating of the marching band. A motion was made by Dustin Briggs, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the request by the school for the use of the bleachers. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Mayor Smith welcomed Logan and Kendra Wolgamott, noting that Logan is attending the meeting to earn a community badge for boy scouts.

Council held a brief discussion regarding open burning in the village. Legal Counsel Fox provided council with the section of the Ohio Basic Code that addresses open burning within corporation limits. Fox noted that there

was open burning that was in violation and that the property owner was contacted by the police department and that the village does not have the authority to give them permission, that per the basic code, the permission would have to be granted by the Ohio EPA.

Police Chief Warrick noted to council that the new cruiser has been delivered and that the graphics will be done next week and the equipment will be coming soon. Warrick provided council with call summaries for 2020 so that council is aware of the type of calls noting that overdoses are up and thanked the fire department for their responses.

Park – Chairman Dustin Briggs reported future projects of sealing and painting of the basketball and tennis courts, directional signs, lighting for the walking path, and power washing and painting of the gazebo and pavilions. Council approved the power washing and painting at a cost of \$ 5,545.00.

Street & Alley – Chairman Don Wallick reported that Northstar Asphalt will begin the paving projects on September 18, 2020.

Safety – Chairwoman Kathy Burrier reported that the radar signs have been ordered.

ORDINANCE O-24-2020

Ordinance O-24-2020 was given its second reading by title only. A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-24-2020, AN ORDINANCE ZONING 5.997 ACRES OWNED BY STENWOOD DEVELOPMENT, LTD. AND LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF DUNDEE-STRASBURG RD. NW IN THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO, BY GRANTING THE SAME AN R-2 ZONING CLASSIFICATIN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-25-2020

Ordinance O-25-2020, was given its second reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-25-2020, AN ORDINANCE ZONING 1.487 ACRES OWNED BY PINE RIDGE INVESTMENTS OF STRASBURG, LLC AND LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF DUNDEE-STRASBURG RD, NW IN THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO, BY GRANTING THE SAME A B-2 ZONING CLASSIFICATON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-26-2020

Ordinance O-26-2020 was given its third reading by title only A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-26-2020, AN ORDINANCE ADDING DEFINITION OF “CORPORATION STOP” TO SECTION 2.01 OF THE ADDING NEW SECTION 2.19 TO THE COMPREHENSIVE ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF THE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS FOR THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Mayor Smith reported that the local pastors have met and have cancelled the live nativity for this year, asked council to bring their zoning books to the next council meeting to be updated, reported that mosquito spraying will be on August 25, 2020, and thanked Logan Wolgamott for attending the meeting.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to adjourn at 7:24 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.