#### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Meeting

#### WORKSHOP MEETING

April 25, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Scott Hurst at 7:30 p.m..

Present were: Councilmembers: Kasey Metz, Don Dohrman, Greg Tracy, Scott Hurst, Sarah Copp. Also present: Manager Sheridan, Law Director Brosh. Absent: Mayor Miller, Chris Horn.

#### PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE OPEN BURNING ORDINANCE

Manager Sheridan said that the council needed to give direction to Law Director Brosh on how to proceed with this Ordinance. It was felt that there needed to be a distinction between cooking and open burning. It was also asked if there needed to be anything done differently than the State of Ohio requirements. Questions were asked about why there needs to be an Ordinance if we are following the Ohio Fire Marshal's Code. It was stated by Chief Jay as well as Chief Wright that the police are not able to cite anyone under the State Fire Marshal's Code. Chief Wright said that they will typically go out and educate people about the burning policies and only cite if they need to go back because they continued after they were warned. It was recommended that the law director would put this code into Ordinance form.

## RESOLUTION CM-23-26 TO AUTHORIZE THE ALTERNATE TAX FORMAT

This is the Resolution that will need to be voted on at the next council meeting to elect to refrain from adopting a tax budget. Manager Sheridan wanted the council to have a chance to look over it.

# RESOLUTION CM-23-24 TO AUTHORIZE THE LOAN FOR THE NORTH END SANITARY PIPE RELINING PROJECT AND RESOLUTION CM-23-26 TO AUTHORIZE THE ENGINEERING FOR THE NORTH END SANITARY SEWER PIP RELINING

These two Resolutions go together with the same project. This has been an ongoing project on Donna Jane. They are trying to address this so that the residents will get some relief from the odor of the sewer. It is not widespread, but this relining should fix the problem and it will cause the pipe to last longer. It was the staff's recommendation to put the Donna Jane project into the North end sewer project. This will begin in late July or early August..

#### PROPOSED SOUTH WATER TOWER IMPROVEMENTS

Ben Herron said that there was an inspection of the south water tower completed. There are a couple of critical issues that need to be addressed right away which are capping the top of the tower and cleaning out approximately 3 inches of sediment. Two less critical issues are also listed in the inspection report which Mr. Herron said it would be better to do now as well when the tower is empty. These include washing out the inside and outside of the tank for preventative maintenance. Manager said he would have the legislation prepared to go forward.

#### PROPOSED BOBCAT LEASE

Ben Herron said that the lease is coming to an end on the Bobcat. The buyout price is \$20,624.65. There will be a Resolution for this at the next meeting.

### **EVERBRIDGE CITIZEN NOTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Chief Wright said that the notification system kickoff will be on Monday, May 1, 2023. There will be notices on facebook, on the water bills, sign out front and cable channel as well as a banner on the website. There is an app that will need to be downloaded to your phone to be able to sign up. He has set up all the Village employees in the program so that they can contact them as needed. It was suggested that maybe a banner be placed on the front of the building with a QR code to make it easier for people to sign up.

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#### **CONSIDERATION OF A DORA**

Law Director Brosh said that this process is not a long one. Manager Sheridan would have to make a petition to the council with certain things in it. A public hearing could be held, but is not required and then it would need to be voted on by council. If it passed, it would go forward to the state for their approval.

#### **2023 GOALS**

Manager Sheridan asked the council to fill out their top 10 goals for the Village and get it back to him as quickly as they could. He would then go through and make one list with everyone's choices.

#### COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARDS

Manager Sheridan said these are the guidelines for the Community Pride Awards. If there are any changes that need to be made, let him know. If they are good, they need to come up with a committee of no more than 7 individuals.

# RESOLUTION CM-23-25 TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION/AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Manager Sheridan said that this Resolution and contract reflect the changes that were discussed earlier and if the council was comfortable with these changes this would be on the agenda at the next meeting for a vote.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Sarah stated that a high school student who needed community service hours had cleaned up the flowerbed behind Fox's Pizza. She asked how the parking lot was divided behind these businesses. Manager Sheridan said that the property lines ran with the business. She asked if something could be done to encourage these businesses to clean up the parking lot.

Sarah also asked if there was any way that we could incentivize renting out the empty buildings in the downtown area. Manager Sheridan said there are programs to help with this depending on how much the council wants to do.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Scott Hurst brought up the parking on Miami Street. He thinks that maybe they should block off 3 parking spots because it is so hard to see to get out at this intersection. Chief Wright stated that so far this year there have been 2 accidents in this location. They are going to start with blocking off 2 parking spots and see if this makes a difference.

Don Dohrman said that the ground breaking at the Randall House was great. He felt this was a huge step for West Milton. It was good to meet the family behind this development. It was then asked where we were at on the building of the gas station. Manager Sheridan thought that this would start this summer. They have also got the permit for the first quad to be built.

#### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

An unknown resident asked about the closing of Miami Street. He asked if there was going to be no parking in the Village lot. It was determined that they would be able to come in off of Washington Street.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Greg Tracy made a motion, seconded by Don Dohrman, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Laura J. Wright Clerk of Council

Anthony Miller

Mayor