

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Brian White presiding.

ROLL CALL

The following Village Council members were present: Bob Jarvis, Adam Gongwer, Darrell Starr-Jude, Kim Little, and Todd Wise.

Other officials present: Attorney John Studenmund, Chief Pauley, and Administrator Andy Smallstey.

Residents and others present: Jim Shoenfelt of 2828 Summerview Court, and Keith Bacin of 419 Cedarwood Drive.

Motion by JARVIS to excuse

Councilman Kearns.

Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Little to approve the minutes of January 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Seconded by STARR-JUDE.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

FIXING TIME OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion by JARVIS to set the time of adjournment for 8:05 p.m. Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

Mayor White requested any Village resident wishing to address Council concerning Council business to please stand, state their name and address for the record, and their purpose for attending Council.

Jim Shoenfelt from 2828 Summerview Court noted the Village Ordinance regarding political signs. The Village Ordinance requires political signs to be removed ten days after the election. Mr. Shoenfelt removed his signs and asked why several others have failed to abide by the rules. Mr. Smallstey will be sending a letter to property owners who still have the political sign in their yards.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES AND PERSONNEL: No report.

FINANCE: We have one Ordinance on tonight's agenda.

SAFETY SERVICE: No report.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES: No report.

STREETS & SIDEWALKS: No report.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: No report.

FINANCE REPORT

As reported by Finance Director Jim Banks:

There is a negative \$250.74 showing in the accounts. The amount is from the water/sewer line that did not transfer over to the General Fund before year's end. Mechanics requires balance in an account to maintain the 'no fees' contract. The \$250.74 was deposited in January. We are not in the negative; the money is in the bank just not in the books. I do it this way to keep the State Auditors happy. Mayor White believes that all accounts should have the same solution/regulation.

Motion by Jarvis to accept
Finance Report as presented.

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As reported by Administrator Andrew Smallstey:

We experienced a water break on West Main in front of Western Elementary over the weekend. The break was repaired in short order by the Water Department without further incident. Thank you to them for their quick response.

Our Lexington Comprehensive Plan Community Survey will be inside the water/sewer bill set to be mailed at the end of the month. The survey will also be available online on the Village website to be submitted electronically. We ask all community members to take part in the survey and provide valuable input on the vision of our Village into the next many years.

Councilman Little asked about current status of the old Decker's property. Mr. Smallstey said that is Community Investment Corporation (CIC) property and it is up to them how/what/when they will do anything to the property.

Mr. Smallstey's full report can be seen by request from Clerk of Council, Brenda Wilson.

MAYOR'S REPORT

As reported by Mayor Brian White:

We will appoint Committee members after the new council person has been selected.

Lexington Senior Center will begin take out lunches only this February and March.

I made a follow up call to Andy Mead regarding lack of activity on the square. Currently the engineers are having discussion about the retaining wall. We will hold a Planning Commission meeting at the Depot because I have a feeling this meeting will attract a very large group of people.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

No report.

Parliamentarian Report

No report.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance NO. 21-03 by Mr. Little

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PERMANENT BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR JANUARY FOR THE GENERAL FUND RESERVE AND ADMINISTRATION FUNDS.

Motion by LITTLE to waive rules of Council requiring that an Ordinance comes from a standing committee.

Seconded by GONGER.

Roll call. All yeas: 5 – 0.

Motion carried.

Motion by LITTLE to waive rules of Council requiring that an Ordinance is read on two separate occasions.

Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. All yeas: 5 – 0.

Motion carried.

Motion by LITTLE to adopt.

Seconded by GONGWER.

DISCUSSION: Reporting process/accountability for CARES Act monies.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

No comments were heard

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Wise updated Councilmembers regarding the latest Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meetings:

A survey will be sent out with this month's water bill and there will be electronic links for residents to complete the survey.

The Poggemeyer Group is assisting with the work.

We are looking for a 'slogan' to identify the committee's project; something similar to "Lex Vision 2035".

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor White said with new Council Member and others who have not taken advantage of our group activities you may want to coordinate visits around the Village and review what is in need. Also available is a ride-a-long with police department.

Motion by GONGWER to adjourn
before the appointed hour.

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. Yeas: 5; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0

Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Wilson
Clerk of Council

Brian White
Mayor