

Regular Council

October 18,

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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, Katie Getz, Adam Gongwer, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Darrell Starr-Jude and Todd Wise.

Other officials present: Attorney John Studenmund, Chief Brett Pauley, Finance Director James Banks, and Administrator Andy Smallstey.

Others: Michael Mitchell of 410 Fox Road and Keith Bacin of 419 Cedarwood Drive.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by LITTLE to approve the minutes  
of October 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.  
Seconded by STARR-JUDE.  
Roll call. 7 Yeas: 0; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.  
Motion carried.

**FIXING TIME OF ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by JARVIS to set the time of adjournment  
For 8:00 p.m. Seconded by KEARNS.  
Roll call. Yeas: 7; 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: No comments were heard.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

RULES AND PERSONNEL: No report.

FINANCE: No report.

SAFETY SERVICE: No report.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Minutes from September 20, 2021 meeting are approved.  
Next meeting will be October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Poggemeyer will be attending. Agenda will include water rate evaluation.

STREETS & SIDEWALKS: No report. We have a Resolution tonight.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Park Levy signs are out.

**FINANCE REPORT**

As reported by Finance Director James Banks:

Mr. Banks thanked Council Members for allowing time off from last Council Session for personal time. All accounts are balanced up to September 30<sup>th</sup>. Slight glitch, in August, Peter Them closed books early and did not put in \$7,000.00. Adjustment has been made and shown here on the report.

Motion by LITTLE  
to accept Finance report.  
Seconded by GETZ.

Roll call. 7 Yeas: Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.  
Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

As reported by Administrator Andrew Smallstey:

Earlier this month the Water Department completed the EPA required lead and copper testing for the Village. All samples returned satisfactorily and documentation was submitted to and received approval from the Ohio EPA. We did not receive exemption last year, but with this successful year we should not be exempted from testing for the next three years.

Legislation tonight is to enter into an agreement with the Richland Country Engineer for resurfacing Orchard Park Road. The County Engineer will be submitting an OPWC application for grant money toward this project. After the requested grant award, Village's portion will be \$76,500.00 for 1.7 lane miles. This will be part of next year's resurfacing budget, and will be another thoroughfare into the Village, recently resurfaced.

Another water break on Lutz Avenue last week. It was repaired within a few hours although the vac truck was out of service.

The school flashing lights on Frederick Street have been replaced. This was a project from last May. The old flashing lights will be moved to Castor Road.

Richland Soil & Water planted a tree behind the pavilion in Community Park.

Halloween Walk for the bike trail is set for October 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have eight food vendors scheduled. Ten business owners will participate handing out candy. There will be a costume contest, music and photo-op at the Depot.

We posted 35 to 40 levy signs for the Park Levy last Friday. The large wooden sign will go out this week sometime.

Councilman Starr-Jude asked if Mr. Smallstey can help those living in the area of 199 Essex Road with tree that has taken over the street, including creating an arch across the street. Mr. Starr-Jude also asked Andy to look at 89 Tamiami for missing or broken curbs.

Councilman Kearns asked if the Orchard Park resurfacing project requires a motion. Mr. Smallstey replied when the project is completed on paper he will then need a motion from Council.

Councilwoman Getz said the square is beautiful.

Mr. Smallstey told Council Members the filter/media project and backwash will be completed this afternoon or tomorrow. Councilman Little added the media cost is \$200,000.00.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

As reported by Mayor Brian White:

We had meeting with SSI to review for updating our finance account. We will look at another company to review both proposals. Councilman Wise asked if there is a time frame for deciding which program the Village will use. Mayor White replied hopefully by end of the year.

Planning Commission will return to meeting monthly. Meetings will be held last Wednesday of every month.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

As reported by Police Chief Brett Pauley: No report.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN'S REPORT**

As reported by Councilman Adam Gongwer: No report.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 21-29 by Mr. Wise**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RICHLAND COUNTY TO APPLY FOR OPWC FUNDS TO RESURFACE ORCHARD PARK ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUNDS.**

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

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. All yeas: 7 – 0.

Motion carried.

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

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. All yeas: 7 – 0.

Motion carried.

Motion by WISE to adopt.

Seconded by LITTLE.

DISCUSSION: Mayor White added there is a road maintenance agreement that goes with Orchard Park to Middle Bellville Roads. Anything beyond simple repairs will go to the table for discussion/repairs. Mr. Kearns asked what parties are involved in the funding split for the Orchard Park project. Mayor White replied that this project is with Richland Co. and The Village, and the townships are not participating here.

Roll call. Yeas: 7; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

Councilman Starr-Jude asked about Ordinance regarding golf carts become street legal. Mayor White replied the Ordinance has been sent back for further review of language on the Ordinance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No report.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

No report.

Motion by GONGWER to adjourn  
before the appointed hour.  
Seconded by KEARNS.  
Roll call. Yeas: 7; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0  
Motion carried.

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Brenda J. Wilson  
Clerk of Council

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Brian White  
Mayor