

Regular Council

April 3,

23

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, Zack Alleshouse, Adam Gongwer, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise.

Other officials present: Attorney John Studenmund and Chief Brett Pauley.

Residents and other guests: Keith Bacin of 419 Cedarwood; and Mike Mitchell of 410 Fox Road.

Motion by O'BRIEN to excuse
Councilman Kearns.

Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.

Motion carried.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by LITTLE to approve the minutes
of March 20, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Seconded by WISE.

Roll call. Yea: 6; Nays: 0; Abstain: 0.

Motion carried.

FIXING TIME OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion by JARVIS to set the time of adjournment
for 8:45 p.m. Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; 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:

We met before tonight's Council Session.

We have an Ordinance on tonight's agenda.

Bills for February have been checked and approved.

SAFETY SERVICE:

Councilman O'Brien expressed his concerns regarding school children's safety. Chief Pauley assured Council that the new school was built with children's safety in mind. Mayor White commented not all information was released regarding safety procedures that was put in place for the school children.

PUBLIC UTILITIES:

No report.

STREETS & SIDEWALKS: No report.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Park Board has meeting in Chambers tomorrow, April 4th at 6:00 p.m.

FINANCE REPORT

No report.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As reported by Administrator Andrew Smallstey:

Spring cleanup begins Monday April 17th through April 28th. No grass, large limbs, or leaves will be collected.

Water meters were delivered for water meter replacement project. Tonight's appropriations are moving funds to pay Software Solutions in advance of the project.

The annual CRA has been completed and submitted to Ohio Department of Development. Charter Next Gen has more than fulfilled their agreement for the CRA in jobs retained and created. The Tax incentive Review Committee voted unanimously to continue the CRA since they are compliant.

Motion by JARVIS to accept the continuation of the CRA based upon recommendation from TIRC.

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. Yea: 6; Nays: 0; Abstain: 0.

Motion carried.

Street resurfacing bids open April 13 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in Village Hall.

The fencing surrounding pickleball/tennis courts was damaged by fallen tree. We will not submit insurance claim; this was already on capital list for replacement in 2023.

The decorative fencing is complete at 35 West Main Street. Few caps are loose; the contractor is repairing.

Councilman Little noted many Ash trees on the west side of Castor Road are dead.

Councilman Wise asked if other pine trees in Bicentennial Park exists, and if they are at risk of falling also. Mr. Smallstey will check.

Councilman Wise noted the sidewalk just east of Nickel & Bean is not paved. Mr. Smallstey is aware; this is an existing job with ODOT.

Mayor's Report

As reported by Mayor Brian White:

I attended Richland County Health Advisory Board meeting. Received their report; if wanting to review.

Thank you to all attended Planning Commission meeting last week regarding Richland County housing assessment. It was a good session.

I brought some library levy handouts for you to review and share.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

As reported by Chief Brett Pauley:

The distracted driving law goes into effect tomorrow. Warning only handed out at first six months.

PARLIMENATARIAN REPORT

As reported by Parliamentarian Councilman Gongwer:

Tomorrow first day to vote early.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 23-09 by Mr. Jarvis

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE LEXINGTON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

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

Seconded by LITTLE.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

Motion by JARVIS to adopt.

Seconded by LITTLE.

DISCUSSION: Effective in 30 days.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0

Motion carried.

Resolution No. 23-10 by Mr. Alleshouse

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH
THE LEXINGTON BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR USE OF
THE BALLFIELDS AT THE LEXINGTON COMMUNITY PARK.

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

Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

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

Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

Motion by ALLESHOUSE to adopt.

Seconded by GONGWER.

DISCUSSION: NO DISCUSSION

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0

Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 23-11 by Mr. Little

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PERMANENT BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND
APPROPRIATIONS FOR APRIL FOR PARKS, ADMINISTRATION, GENERAL
FUND, STREETS C, M, & R, ASSISTANCE TO THE NEEDY, SEWER, AND
WATER FUNDS.

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

Seconded by WISE.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

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

Seconded by WISE.

Roll call. All yeas: 6-0.

Motion carried.

Motion by LITTLE to adopt.

Seconded by WISE.

DISCUSSION: Monies moved to Software Solutions for water meter replacement
project. Monies in for roof at Depot will be replaced by grant from NOPEC.

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Also noted, all ARPA funds are now allocated and assigned. Mayor White requested a list for ARPA funds used and how/where.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0
Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

No comments were heard.

NEW BUSINESS

No comments were heard.

Motion by JARVIS to adjourn to
Executive Session to discuss purchase or sale of property.
Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.
Motion carried.

Mayor White requested Attorney Studenmund, Administrator Smallstey, and Finance Assistant Peter Them to also attend the Executive Session.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:01 p.m.

Motion by JARVIS to reconvene
to Regular Council Session.
Seconded by GONGWER.

Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0.
Motion carried.

Council reconvened to Regular Session at 8:42 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

No comments were heard.

Motion by GONGWER to adjourn
before the appointed hour.
Seconded by ALLESHOUSE.
Roll call. Yeas: 6; Nays: 0; Abstains: 0
Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Wilson
Clerk of Council

Brian White
Mayor