

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, February 20, 2020

Mayor Bob Gale called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Robert Martin Sr. present, Dr. Michael Ross present, Randy Spence present, Gael Damron present, Jason Mattern present, Bob Merriman present.

Officials: Mayor Bob Gale present, Solicitor Christopher D. Becker absent, Fiscal Officer Denise Geanangel present, Administrator Walt Ziemba present.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve the minutes for January 20, 2020 Meeting.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Persons Appearing Before Council

Charlene Prentice representing the SVRTA reported a full time driver has been hired. As a resident living at 339 Orchard Place she questioned how much longer before the waterline project will be completed.

Mayor Gale said it is nearing the end.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

Ordinance 2020-01: An Ordinance declaring that a 2011 Ford Flex is no longer needed and authorizing the sale to the Highest and Best Bidder was read for the second time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to go into executive session to discuss administrative matters.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to come out of executive session. No action was taken.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Reports & Announcements

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Randy Spence to approve the Village Credit Card Policy.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve the hiring of summer help at minimum wage for 2020.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Chief Fowler spoke to council about his hiring auxiliary policeman Dominick Rogers from Richmond, Ohio.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to approve his hiring.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Administrator's Report

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to allow Administrator Ziemba to order a side-by-side ATV for the sewer department at a cost of \$11,760.00 which was approved in the budget.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

The R.I.T.A. subpoena program is set to bring in \$63,700.00 with \$25,600.00 already collected leaving \$38,100.00 yet to be collected. 676 subpoenas were issued at a cost of \$5,408.00 to the village.

Columbia Gas replacement project is scheduled to begin next week. A meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 12th and all residents are encouraged to attend. Letter will be sent to all resident's in the Terrace, Karen and Dana Lynn area advising of the meeting.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to approve an emergency purchase for a sludge pump for \$8,500.00.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

New Business

Jason Mattern representing the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission reported that \$500,000 grant local road plan approved for Smithfield may be available for other Jefferson Counties due to Smithfield dissolving. Jason Mattern will be unable to attend the JCRPC meeting on March 25th if an alternate wants to fill in for him. The Garden Drive street sign was wiped out and needs replaced.

Robert Martin reminded everyone of the United Methodist Church dedication ceremony February 21, 2020. Mr. Martin also congratulated the Indian Creek Girl's Basketball Team on a undefeated season.

Unfinished Business

None.

Motion by Dr. Ross second by Jason Mattern to pay bill as fund become available.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to adjourn until the next council meeting on March 5, 2020.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

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Denise Geanangel
Fiscal Officer

Robert Gale
Mayor