

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, April 16, 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 present, Fiscal Officer Denise Geanangel present, Administrator Walt Ziembra present.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve minutes from the March 5, 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

Robert Laukert.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

Ordinance 2020-03: Authorizing Participation in the ODOT Salt Contract awarded in 2020 was read for the first time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to suspend the rules as an emergency read.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2020-03: Authorizing Participation in the ODOT Salt Contract awarded in 2020 was read for the second and third times.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to approve Ordinance 2020-03.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2020-04: Authorizing the Mayor of Wintersville to enter into a contract for the construction of the Sanitary Sewer Rehab – Phase 5 was read for the first time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to suspend the rules as an emergency read.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2020-04: Authorizing the Mayor of Wintersville to enter into a contract for the construction of the Sanitary Sewer Rehab – Phase 5 was read for the second and third times.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Robert Martin to approve Ordinance 2020-04.

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

Mayor Gale thanked everyone for their patience and cooperation through these unprecedented times.

Mayor Gale read a Public Health Week Proclamation.

The May 7, 2020 Council meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be May 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Two public utility positions have not been filled. Water customer's late fees will be waived for the month's of March and April. There will be no water shut-off's for the next 60 days.

Spring Clean-up and the Summer Parks Program has been postponed. There will only be one summer-time help hired.

Mayor Gale thanked all involved for the Easter Bunny Parade through the Village.

Police report, old fines and code enforcement officer reports were read.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve the payout of \$1,000.00 longevity bonus to Officers Whanger, Pinkerton, McLaughlin. Officer Oiler is eligible in June 2020. The School Resource officer Robert Shoemaker has resigned.

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 Dr. Michael Ross to approve applying for a Grant for a new cruiser.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

Unfinished Business

None.

Administrator's Report

The low bid for the Phase 5 Sanitary Sewer Project was awarded to Border Patrol \$2,043,040.00.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve permission to bid 2020 paving project for Fernwood Road and Part 2 of Luray Drive.

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 new Sanitation packer has been received. OPWC has deferred all loan payments until January 29, 2021.

New Business

Randy Spence commended police Officer McLaughlin for his heroic lifesaving call of a child.

Robert Martin reminded everyone to do the 2020 Census.

Motion by Dr. Michael Ross, second by Jason Mattern to pay bills as funds 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 Robert Martin, second by Bob Merriman to adjourn.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

Next meeting scheduled for May 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Denise Geanangel
Fiscal Officer

Robert Gale
Mayor