

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting.

Members answering roll call were Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Liz Dreher, Don Wallick, Dustin Briggs, and Martin Zehnder. Other's present were Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Legal Counsel Richard Fox, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Jerry Schultz, Marcus Weaver, Doug Dreher, Mike & Janet Rosenberry.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2021 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

The September financial statement, September Unified Bank Statement, September SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills was presented and reviewed. A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the September financial statement, September Unified Bank Statement, September SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills in the amount of \$ 686,206.96. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Mayor Steve Smith thanked the fire dept for inviting himself, and Mark and Kathy Burrier to participate in a fire training and encouraged other council members to attend the next event. Mayor Smith reported more vandalism at the park restrooms and asked that if anyone sees any suspicious activity to please contact the police department. Mayor Smith thanked everyone for their patience during the waterline replacement project on Wooster Avenue and noted that ODOT will pave in 2022.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster provided council with a current report which included a permit for a new home construction, a permit for a shed and fence, and a denial of a sign permit for Auto Works Collision that will require a public hearing with the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Village Administrator Ron Lambert reported that the water mains are complete on the south end and services are being connected. Lambert reported that the temporary asphalt will then be removed and permanent asphalt will be laid. Lambert reported that the Maple Avenue waterline project is going well, will need to do line testing and then hook up the residents, excavate for curbs and begin pavement and subbase removal. Lambert reported that hydrant flushing and flow testing will be next week.

Finance – Chairman Jeff Smith noted that we began our new contract with Kimble on June 1, 2021 and that we are falling short in the refuse fund with the increase of the new contract. Smith explained that the revenue from the residents and the recycling grant is not enough each month to cover the cost of the monthly billing from Kimble and that finance is recommending an increase of \$ 2.00 per month to the residents. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to authorize Legal Counsel Fox to draw up an ordinance to increase the monthly cost to residents for refuse and recycling to \$ 14.00 per month. At roll call, the vote was as follows: Zehnder, no; Wallick, yes; Smith, yes; Dreher, yes; Burrier, yes; and Briggs, yes. Smith noted that the Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 4 pm and asked council for a work session on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 6 pm.

Safety – Chairwoman Kathy Burrier gave an update on the remodel of the police department reporting that the steel doors have been installed, the flooring and carpet upstairs is done, painting of the trim will be completed next week, small carpentry work and ceiling tile in the basement and flooring in the basement will be completed soon. Burrier noted that the phone lines will be moved upstairs and the police department will begin moving upstairs at the end of October.

#### **ORDINANCE O-26-2021**

Ordinance O-26-2021, An Ordinance establishing and approving the amended Strasburg Municipal records manual, and adopting the records retention policies contained therein for the Village of Strasburg, Ohio, was given its first reading by title only.

#### **ORDINANCE O-27-2021**

Ordinance O-27-2021, An Ordinance approving the hiring of new Village Solicitor/Law Director, was given its first reading by title only.

**RESOLUTION R-04-2021**

Resolution R-04-2021 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve Resolution R-04-2021, A RESOLUTION OF A NECESSITY TO REQUIRE THE CONSTRUCTION OF CURBS AND GUTTERS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRASBURG, OHIO, BY THE OWNERS OF LOTS OR LANDS ABUTTING MAPLE AVENUE NW IN THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO IN ACCORDNANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS PERTAINING THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution will take effect immediately.

Janet Rosenberry addressed council about the \$ 125,000 that had been approved for the new playground equipment and asked if some of that money could be used to pay for the monthly refuse contractor instead of increasing the billing on the residents. Council explained that the \$ 125,000 will come out of the park fund and that the park fund money cannot be used to pay the refuse contractor. Briggs noted that we have been obtaining estimates on playground equipment for the park for several years and noted that we obtained quotes and that the quote we approved was the best price for the best equipment and that we have applied to grants to help pay for the playground equipment. Briggs noted that an inspector looked at our old equipment and it has been deemed unsafe and needs to be removed. Jerry Schultz suggested asking local businesses to make donations toward the playground equipment. Council explained that the park fund revenue comes from a park levy, a percentage of the income tax revenue, and Corn Fest revenue and that the fund is used for only park improvements and maintenance.

Mike Rosenberry addressed council regarding the proposed sludge dewatering plant. Mayor Smith noted that it is a moot point at this time and that council approved the petition to join the JEDD and that the Franklin Township trustees tabled their vote at their last meeting. Mayor Smith noted that he was contacted by Seth Miller and Miller discussed withdrawing his petition to join the JEDD. Legal Counsel Fox noted that we have not received in writing a petition from Seth Miller withdrawing his petition to join the JEDD. Jeff Smith noted that the JEDD board has not received that document. Fox noted that if the township trustees approve the petition to join the JEDD, the property will be in the JEDD. Marcus Weaver asked what is the benefit of property being in the JEDD. Fox noted that the utilities are the benefit.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to enter into an executive session at 6:37 pm to discuss a pending legal matters. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council reconvened at 7:00 pm. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to adjourn at 7:01 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

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MAYOR STEVE SMITH

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FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY

**STRASBURG VILLAGE CORPORATION  
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>CASH BALANCES ON 1-01-21</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION 2021</b>	<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS</b>	<b>YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURES</b>
GENERAL					18,945.18			418,736.81
POLICE					34,503.03			333,576.40
FIRE					12,852.37			120,898.24
SERVICE					58,452.48			202,146.99
GENERAL BAL.	730,977.30	1,897,675.50	726,102.66	221,995.19	124,753.06	823,344.79	1,167,725.93	1,075,358.44
POLICE LEVY	20,891.10	73,891.10	34,673.14	25.00	2,596.48	32,101.66	51,846.73	40,636.17
FIRE LEVY	176,357.28	323,357.28	222,694.84	11,497.91	6,143.95	228,048.80	156,140.07	104,448.55
STREET	63,537.62	263,537.62	62,179.96	19,100.94	17,239.38	64,041.52	166,645.97	166,142.07
HIGHWAY	8,354.95	23,354.95	7,549.46	1,434.79	257.22	8,727.03	12,421.79	12,049.71
PARK	130,525.10	242,525.10	156,754.01	7,800.00	5,312.62	159,241.39	96,158.42	67,442.13
LAW ENFORCEMENT	251.50	251.50	251.50	0.00	0.00	251.50	0.00	0.00
JEDD	79,564.43	129,564.43	435,233.97	199,571.55	163,175.79	471,629.73	640,606.85	248,541.55
FIRE DEBT SERVICE	14.31	14.31	14.31	0.00	0.00	14.31	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL IMPR.	40,680.52	198,180.52	148,296.58	11,400.00	0.00	159,696.58	119,016.06	0.00
WATER FUND	131,310.40	541,310.40	89,312.89	36,237.83	33,218.21	92,332.51	327,002.66	365,980.55
SEWER FUND	556,566.13	1,326,566.13	505,294.88	63,164.60	46,027.46	522,432.02	555,681.14	589,815.25
SSI	391,905.03	426,905.03	333,691.02	3,082.87	0.00	336,773.89	26,717.66	81,848.80
SEWER RESERVE	72,804.13	72,804.13	72,804.13	0.00	0.00	72,804.13	0.00	0.00
WSI	916,634.08	1,091,634.08	726,305.24	324,001.32	88,940.22	961,366.34	720,466.96	675,734.70
WATER PLANT	6,634.29	6,634.29	6,634.29	0.00	0.00	6,634.29	0.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT	143,191.83	143,191.83	143,191.83	0.00	0.00	143,191.83	0.00	0.00
INCOME TAX	3,676.75	1,023,676.75	2,088.27	74,531.23	76,554.53	64.97	880,875.53	884,487.31
PARK IMP TRUST	5,366.30	5,366.30	5,366.30	0.00	0.00	5,366.30	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3,479,243.05</b>	<b>7,790,441.25</b>	<b>3,678,439.28</b>	<b>973,843.23</b>	<b>564,218.92</b>	<b>4,088,063.59</b>	<b>4,921,305.77</b>	<b>4,312,485.23</b>

JANUARY 2021 CASH BALANCE \$ 3,479,243.05