

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting. Pastor Marcus Weaver led the prayer.

Members answering roll call were Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Don Wallick, Liz Dreher, Dustin Briggs, and Martin Zehnder. Other's present were Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger, Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Fire Chief Steve Laskey, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Jerry Schultz, Michael Rosenberry, Stacy Carmany, and Marcus Weaver.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2022 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Mayor Steve Smith reported the fall cleanup through Kimble is schedule for Tuesday, October 11, 2022, The Tuscarawas County Economic Development Corporation is conducting a survey on broadband needs in Tuscarawas County, Jordan Boggs will be on the Planning Commission and Kevin Herron will be on the Board of Zoning Appeals effective immediately, and the Planning Commission moved their meeting to Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 6 pm. Mayor Smith requested a work session in the future to discuss the green space and downtown parking.

Village Administrator Ron Lambert reported Kimble will be contracted for the disposal of sludge cake from the Wastewater plant for a cost savings from the current contractor Republic.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster presented council with a report that included permits for a garage lean-to, pool and deck, and a storage shed. Foster reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a hearing on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 5:30 pm. Foster reported that letters have been mailed to property owners regarding clean-up of properties and will follow up with the property owners and report back to council.

Police Chief Dave Warrick reported the resignation of Officer Van Wallbrown effective August 5, 2022 and reported 190 calls for July.

Fire Chief Steve Laskey provided council with a report that included recruitment and hiring of new employees, calls for the department, current and upcoming training of employees, promotion process for employees, and assessments of employees in the near future. Laskey reported the need to fill an assistant chief position and two lieutenant positions. Laskey reported changing the operation of the department to more electronic and less paper and brainstorming on a fire inspection process in the future noting it will be a phase in process. Chief Laskey reported an upcoming Community Outreach on Monday, August 22, 2022 at Franklin Terrace from 10am to 11:30 am for blood pressure checks and to provide and assist residents with File of Life forms.

Finance – Chairman Jeff Smith provided council with estimates from Wolfe's Landscaping for stone landscaping at the park Gazebo (\$1,025.00) and the Police Department (\$ 2,300.00). Council held a brief discussion and a motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the stone landscaping. At roll call, all members voted approval.

Street & Alley - Chairwoman Elizabeth Dreher asked Village Administrator Ron Lambert on an update on the ODOT paving project for Wooster Avenue. Lambert reported that they are installing signage and doing all prep work in the daytime inside and outside of the corporation and that the milling and paving will be done from 6 pm to 6 am inside the corporation. Lambert noted that the downtown lights will be switched to flashing yellow during the work.

Park – Chairman Dustin Briggs discussed redoing the ballfields at the north end of the park and spraying weeds in the spring at the fields. Briggs will reach out to the baseball association on input and needs for the fields. Lambert noted that we have provided flume for the fields in the past and that there is a sprinkler system but is not sure if it is being utilized. Lambert noted that we received a request on making the baseball field area handicap accessible from the parking area and is discussing the request with Street Superintendent Matt Miller and looking at providing handicap parking areas by a ramp area.

ORDINANCE O-31-2022

Ordinance O-31-2022 was given its third reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve Ordinance O-31-2022, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION O-38-2020 (ZONING CODE) BY ENACTING NEW SECTION 807, REGULATING MARIJUANA RELATED USES. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-34-2022

Ordinance O-34-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-34-2022, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE APPROVING HIRING OF CROSSING GUARDS. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-35-2022

Ordinance O-35-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Dustin Briggs, 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 Liz Dreher, to approve Ordinance O-35-2022. AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FIRE CHIEF TO HIRE PART-TIME NEW FIREFIGHTERS. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-36-2022

Ordinance O-36-2022, An Ordinance Amending Strasburg Municipal Regulation 76.22 regulating parking on Wooster Avenue, was given its first reading by title only.

Martin Zehnder reported that he received a complaint about the condition and weeds at the intersection of County Road 102 and Wooster Avenue and expressed the need of a survey and appraisal from the property owner on Kaderly Avenue SW that is asking the village to vacate a portion of 8th Street SW. Mayor Smith noted that he will reach out to ODOT in regards to the intersection and also noted that the Kaderly Avenue property owner has not applied for a variance on his denied building permit.

Jeff Smith noted that he is looking into services that other municipalities have to notify residents when there is a disruption of service of utilities, service of trash and or recycling, and parking bans. Smith reported that the Ohio Municipal League is having a webinar on Monday, August 22, 2022 from 11 am to noon regarding charging stations for electric vehicles and Mayor Smith noted that a charging station is schedule for installation at Route 21 and 30.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to adjourn at 6:48 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY