

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting. Pastor Jason Rissler 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, Police Sergeant Brandon Warman, Fire Chief Steve Laskey, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Michael Rosenberry, Pastor Jason Rissler, James West, Carl (Horizon), Chase Willis, Stacy Carmany, Joshua Stamper, Paige Sugalski, Tim Hawkins, Zach Gelal, Jeremy Rieger, and Jaclyn Derr.

A motion was made by Don Wallick, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2022 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

ORDINANCE O-40-2022

Ordinance O-40-2022 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to suspend the rules of the three mandatory readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-40-2022, 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.

Mayor Steve Smith swore in new fire department employees Joshua Stamper, Paige Sugalski, Tim Hawkins, Zach Gelal, Jeremy Rieger, Jaclyn Derr, Ty'Rique Mayes, Izak Farrington, and Brandon Mackey. Fire Chief Steve Laskey thanked their family members for attending the ceremony.

James West from Pioneer 360 and Carl from Horizon held a presentation on fiber optic internet for the village. West noted that currently the village has six locations with internet service that is being supplied by either Spectrum or Frontier. West noted that the DSL is not enough to support what the fire department needs to perform. West reported that the fiber optic internet would be centralized at the police station and connected to all structures, would have one domain and firewall, and will provide computer security for all of the departments. West reported that once the fiber optic comes in it would provide any business that opportunity to have the fiber optic for their business and in the future, this would provide the village the ability to have wireless cameras at the park for the police department to monitor. West presented a comparison of costs versus what the village pays now and what the village would pay for the fiber optic internet. West noted that Horizon is an Ohio company and that they are currently working with schools in Ohio to get them connected to the fiber optic internet. Mayor Smith thanked him for his presentation. Council held a brief discussion on the presentation and the future security on the email accounts for the village. Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger will review the ten-year contract that the village would need to enter into and the Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 3:30 pm and Martin Zehnder asked that Michael Rosenberry be included in the meeting and Jeff Smith invited James West to the meeting. Carl reported that the City of New Philadelphia has updated to fiber optic for their departments.

Mayor Steve Smith and council expressed condolences to the family of Randy Fearon. Mayor Smith thanked Nick Haswell for the upkeep of the flower planters downtown and at the park entrance. Mayor Smith reported that at the mayors meeting the decision was made to set trick or treat the same for all municipalities on Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Mayor Smith provided council with information on the love Tusc sculpture, noting that three municipalities are completely funded and that we have received generous donations for our sculpture and noted that the donations will be accepted through September 30, 2022. Mayor Smith requested a work session to be held at the green space to discuss items for the green space.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster reported two permits including the new sign at Valley Centre Mall and a new covered porch on a side yard of a property. Foster reported that several properties that received letters have begun to clean up their properties. Foster noted that a property owner on 3rd Street NW that has a retaining wall that is a safety concern and is unstable has not responded to letters.

Fire Chief Steve Laskey supplied council with a report that included 55 calls, update on toilet and shower needed for the renovation, training coming up next week which include advanced FF class and live fire training. Laskey reported that the department is in the preliminary stages of replacing three units with one new single axle unit, planning more events including community education and CPR classes in the school and noted that there was a great turn-out at the event at the Franklin Terrace.

Finance – Chairman Jeff Smith reported that the Safety Committee has requested high visibility shirts for the safety of village employees in the amount of \$1,534.19. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, to purchase the shirts. At roll call, all members voted approval. Smith reported that a local business has donated the new door for the vestibule at the Fire Station and the village will only pay for the installation of the door. Smith noted that our current email contract expires September 30, 2022, noting we need to look at updating our security of our emails. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve

payment of \$ 75.00 for Mayors Association dues for Mayor Smith. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council set a work session at the green space on Wednesday, September, 14, 2022 at 5:30 pm.

Safety – Chairwoman Kathy Burrier reported that she, Police Chief David Warrick, and Police Sergeant Brandon Warman, are working on a grant letter for a generator for the police station and library.

Park – Chairman Dustin Briggs reported that Duck Krantz reached out to him and Jeff Smith about two ballfield drags for a total cost of \$ 7,000.00 that Chase Willis has available to sell. Briggs suggested the village and school share the cost of the drags and that the Booster Club may maintenance them. Briggs reported that an anonymous donor donated two sheds to be placed in the park for concession stands for the ballfields and asked if the village could run electric to the sheds. Briggs will contact Otto Electric. Council thanked the donor.

ORDINANCE O-36-2022

Ordinance O-36-2022 was given its third reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve Ordinance O-36-2022, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING STRASBURG MUNICIPAL REGULATION 76.22 REGULATING PARKING ON WOOSTER AVENUE. At roll call, the vote was as follows: Zehnder, no; Wallick, yes; Smith, yes; Dreher, yes; Burrier, yes; and Briggs, yes. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-37-2022

Ordinance O-37-2022, An Ordinance enacting new section 10.20 of the Village of Strasburg codified municipal regulations, regarding repeat violations of ordinances that require notice of violation before prosecution or Village “self-help action, was given its second reading by title only.

ORDINANCE O-39-2022

Ordinance O-39-2022, An Ordinance of Assessment for new concrete curbs, gutters, and new pavement, was given its first reading by title only.

RESOLUTION R-2022-11

Resolution R-2022-11 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. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution R-2022-11, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF TUSCARAWAS COUNTY 2022 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R-2022-12

Resolution R-2022-12 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. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution R-2022-12, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE ALTERNATE FORMULA FOR DISTRIBUTION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE ASSISTANCE FUNDS AS PROPOSED BY THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND AS PRESCRIBED BY OHIO REVISED CODE, SEC. 5747.33. At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R-2022-13

Resolution R-2022-13 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Don Wallick, 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 Don Wallick, to approve Resolution R-2022-13, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHROZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Chase Willis addressed council about an income tax issue for one of his businesses and noted that he feels that the contractor in Michigan that processes the taxes are not easy to deal with and seem incompetent. A brief discussion was held on how the contractor was chosen and Mayor Smith noted that the issue can be reviewed.

Martin Zehnder noted that the village not purchasing Kathleen Metzger’s property by the park is a step back from how the village should expand.

Mayor Smith invited everyone to attend the Strasburg Fall Festival being held at the park on Monday, September 11, 2022 from 4 to 8 pm.

A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to enter into an executive session to discuss eminent court action at 7:39 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:54 pm. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to adjourn at 7:55 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY