

VILLAGE OF GLENDALE
80 E. Sharon Road
Glendale, OH 45246

Minutes – Regular Council Meeting February 1, 2021

Attendees:

Don Lofty	Mayor	Present
Mike Besl	Council	Present
Alan Hoeweler	Council	Present
Marilyn Duke	Council	Present
Nancy Macenko	Council	Present
Geoff Base-Smith	Council	Present
Will Kreidler	Council	Present
Mike Beaugrand	Treasurer	Present
Becky Terrell	Clerk	Present
Wally Cordes	Village Administrator	Present
Dave Warman	Police Chief	Present
Mike Reenan	Assistant Fire Chief	Present
Kathy Ryan	Solicitor	Present
David Lumsden	Administrative Assistant	Present

I. Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum, and Approval of Agenda

Call to Order: Mayor Lofty called the Council to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed all in attendance to the virtual Council meeting due to the shelter in place orders. All requirements to hold the meeting via video meet the Ohio Open Meetings act as amended by House Bill 197. Mayor Lofty led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lofty asked that all in attendance mute their speaker unless speaking to minimize background noise.

Quorum: Clerk Terrell conducted roll call attendance. Mayor Lofty declared a Quorum of the Council present and Clerk Terrell confirmed the presence of a Quorum.

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Lofty presented the Council Agenda and there were no objections or changes to the agenda as published.

II. Minutes from the Council's 4 January Regular Council Meeting

Motion to approve the 4 January Regular Council Meeting minutes was made by Mr. Kreidler and seconded by Mr. Base-Smith. The motion passed via unanimous Council Voice Vote.

III. Public Presentations / Public Comment:

1. **Mr. Bill Parrish**, resident and President and Director of the Eckstein Cultural Arts Center. Mr. Parrish presented information about the Underground Railroad Walking Tour introduced in the prior Council meeting. Mr. Hoeweler and Mr. Besl offered assistance and support for the project. Ms. Duke also voiced her support and asked if ECAC is working with other Village organizations to bring this about and Mr. Parrish stated that this has been independent of the Village at this time but is open to partnerships in the future. Ms. Macenko asked Mr. Parrish's need and he stated that it is primarily people and Village support. Ms. Duke asked if ECAC had a website that allowed contributions [not at this time, project is funded]. Mayor Lofty stated his support for the project and stated that the Village will support his effort.
2. **Mr. Kevin Parrish, resident.** Mr. Parrish commented upon public comment availability in committee meetings, issues with maintenance of the Eckstein Building, funding for Quiet Zone maintenance, Village Employee wages and continuing concerns regarding the water.

IV. Old Business –

Ordinance 2021-03: An Ordinance Adopting the 2021 General Fund, Enterprise Fund and Miscellaneous Fund Budgets as Described in the Attached "Exhibit A" and providing merit wage adjustments, not to exceed 2%, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Hoeweler moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-03 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Mr. Besl, Finance Chair, thanked the Village Staff for their work and noted the levies and tax implications to the budget including the 3% tax holdback. The 2021 budgeted deficit is approximately \$40,000 with \$25,000 in contingency funds. The State allows a deficit budget if adequate reserves exist and the Finance Committee recommended any budget short fall be paid out of reserves. The greater concern is the position going forward as increased revenue will be required to balance future budgets.

Ms. Duke asked about a 2020 line-item that indicates expenses came in below budget. Mr. Besl stated that part of it is COVID relief funds and part is from staff vigilance and Village Administrator Cordes stated that \$82,000 came from COVID relief. Of the COVID funds, \$41,000 was allocated to police payroll and \$41,000 was refund for first responders.

Ms. Macenko motioned to dispense with three reads which was seconded by Mr. Kreidler and approved via unanimous Council roll-call vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-03 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

V. New Business -

Ordinances

Ordinance 2021-06: An Ordinance Appointing Glendale Volunteer Firefighters, Establishing a One Year Probationary Period, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ms. Macenko moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-06 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Assistant Fire Chief Reenan provided a brief introduction to the 5 candidates.

There was no Council discussion.

Mr. Hoeweler motioned to dispense with three reads which was seconded by Ms. Macenko and approved via unanimous Council roll-call vote.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-06 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Mayor Lofty will administer the Oath of Office at a later date.

Resolution 2021-08: A Resolution Responding to the Recommendation of the GPHPC for issuance of a Conditional Use Pool Permit at 975 Willow Ave.

Ms. Macenko moved to adopt Resolution 2021-08 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Mayor Lofty stated that the proposed pool was reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission who forwarded a recommendation to approve. Because it is a conditional use Council must take action on the Planning Commission's recommendation. Administrative Assistant Lumsden stated that the Planning Commission approved the design and Mr. Higginbotham applied for and was granted a variance to have the pool located in the side yard.

Ms. Duke asked about the site plan submitted on May 2020 vs. the current plan. Administrative Assistant Lumsden stated that it was a typo and the application was seen for the first time this evening. Mayor Lofty requested a motion to amend the verbiage to remove the May 2020 date. Ms. Macenko moved to remove the erroneous date, Ms. Duke seconded the motion and it passed via unanimous voice vote.

Police Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Hoeweler reported the committee did not meet in January. Mayor Lofty announced that Chief Warman will be retiring from the Glendale Police Force on 30 April to spend time with family. The interim Chief will be Lieutenant Craig Walsh. The Police report was distributed via email. Chief Warman thanked the Village for their support during his 29 years of service

Public Buildings and Historic Preservation Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Kreidler reported that no meeting was held in January and a meeting will be scheduled for February.

Recreation and Playgrounds Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Base-Smith reported no meeting in January. The Cleveland Park refresh bid package was published but no bids were received. The bid package will be released again.

Streets, Public Improvements & Lights Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Besl reported the committee did not meet in January. A meeting will be held with the Village Office Staff and Mr. Alderfer to set the road repair work for 2021. A committee meeting will be held subsequent to that meeting.

Utilities Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Base-Smith reported no meeting held in January. For 2021 the top priority is storm water incursion into the waste water system with the second priority being identifying the cause of water loss not billed. The next meeting is scheduled for 12 February at 2pm.

Ms. Duke asked the policy for when committee meetings are being held live vs. recorded and published. Mayor Lofty stated that he is unaware of any official policy regarding when a meeting is recorded and published. Administrative Assistant Lumsden stated that any meeting typically recorded prior to the COVID outbreak is still being recorded and published and those meetings not historically recorded are not recorded today unless specially requested. Administrative Assistant Lumsden clarified the ability to record vs. live stream. Mayor Lofty stated that any chairperson

wishing to have their meeting recorded make the request at the Village Office when the meeting is scheduled.

IX. Miscellaneous Business and Reports

a. Reports from the Clerk and Treasurer

Treasurer – Treasurer Beaugrand provided investment return recap and the challenge with interest rates. A top priority is to review banking fees and how to reduce fees in 2021.

Clerk – no report

X. Review of Expenditures

- a. 2021-02 General Fund
- b. 2021-02 Enterprise Fund

Mayor Lofty introduced the following financial reports: General Checking Certification, Enterprise Checking Certification, Revenue Report, Expenditure Report, Cash Transactions and Mayor's Court. Mr. Besl moved to acknowledge receipt of the reports, Ms. Macenko seconded the motion and it passed unanimously via Council voice vote.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was moved by Mr. Besl. The motion was seconded by Ms. Duke and unanimously passed by Council voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Next regular meeting March 1, 2021 at 7:00 pm

ATTESTED BY:

Mayor Donald A. Lofty

Rebecca M. Terrell

Clerk