

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

Minutes – Regular Council Meeting June 5, 2023

Attendees:

Don Lofty	Mayor	Present
Mike Besl	Council	Present
Marilyn Duke	Council	Present
Nancy Macenko	Council	Present
Geoff Base-Smith	Council	Present
Will Kreidler	Council	Present
Amy Baldrige	Council	Present
Mike Beaugrand	Treasurer	Present
Becky Terrell	Clerk	Present
David Lumsden	Village Administrator	Present
Steve Kiest	Police Lieutenant	Present
Scott Lerman	Assistant Fire Chief	Present
Kathy Ryan	Solicitor	Present

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

Call to Order: Mayor Lofty called the Council to order at 7:03 pm and led the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Quorum: Mayor Lofty declared a Quorum of the Council present and Clerk Terrell confirmed the presence of a Quorum. The agenda will be modified to move the Ordinance regarding Firefighters to the top of the agenda.

II. Approval of Council Minutes

1 May 2023 Regular Council Minutes: Ms. Baldrige requested verbiage change in Ordinance 2023-18 altering the original sentence: "She expressed concerned about lack of support as contribution does commit the Village to installing anything. Additionally,

voting against it reflects negatively and makes it appear as if we are community players” to “She expressed concern about lack of support as contribution does **not** commit the Village to installing anything. Additionally, voting against it reflects negatively and makes it appear as if we are **not** community players”, consistent with her statement. Ms. Duke requested a verbiage change to the same section to include that Glendale should submit any proposals to Woodlawn in writing. Mr. Kreidler moved to approve both friendly amendments and Ms. Duke seconded the motion. The motion passed via unanimous Council voice-vote. Mr. Besl moved to approve the minutes of the 1 May Regular Council Meeting as amended and the motion was seconded by Ms. Baldrige. The motion passed via unanimous Council voice-vote.

IV. Presentations/Public Comment

1. **Dr. Dan Love**, resident. He expressed support for the trail feasibility study and he has lived in 2 communities with successful hike/bike trails installed (Wyoming and Hamilton). He suggested contacting those municipalities as 80% of costs were covered by grants. Families want trails now and in Wyoming new listings include proximity to trail.
2. **Mr. Tim Kilgore**, resident. He believes asphalt paving and greenbelt are contradiction in terms and sees adding cycling results in a poorer walking experience. He believes a vehicle path on existing paving makes more sense.
3. **Dr. Tara Maddock**, resident. She read in a statement from Ms. Bobbie Jo Ehlers as she was unable to attend the meeting in person.
4. **Ms. Linda Moravek**, resident. If the project progresses feasibility, what would future costs to Glendale be specific to maintenance and safety parking.
5. **Mr. Randy Green**, resident. He recalled that in the early 2000's, Princeton Schools passed a referendum and created plans to renovate/replace schools. Princeton executed the plan across all the schools except Glendale Elementary due to Village concerns. This left Glendale Elementary with less money and fewer improvements. He believes it is right to spend the money on the feasibility study to understand the impacts and be part of the larger group.

6. **Mr. Kevin Parrish**, resident. He believes the Village has bigger problems than the green belt and trail, pointing to water and infrastructure. He expressed concern about water bills, water quality, records retention and long term health implications.
7. **Mr. Bill Parrish**, resident. He spoke representing ECAC. He suggested looking at history of the Village as a planned community.
8. **Mr. Wade Johnston** – Executive Director of Tri-State Trails. He noted that saving trees can be accomplished, referencing the Wasson Way trail. He noted that there will be route alternatives identified in the feasibility study. He also said the Oak crossing is a legal at grade pedestrian crossing and should not be an issue.

IV. Old Business

Ordinance 2023-19 An Ordinance Authorizing Amendment of the 2023 Appropriations of the General Fund, and Declaring an Emergency. (tabled)

Motion to remove 2023-19 from the table was made by Mr. Besl. Mr. Kreidler second the motion and it was passed via unanimous Council voice-vote.

Mr. Kreidler is the route identified final, [no, likely alternative routes]. If approved and go back to communities would have to pursue grants individually? [No, key function is what is the costs and challenge of getting the route done. Whomever gets the trail done would be the grant applicant. Strong case for Great Parks to be builder due to park proximity. Great Parks may likely build and maintain the trail]. Ms. Macenko aside what Glendale would be responsible for [Study would come out with a recommendation of how to approach. It could be Great Parks, it could be individual communities]. Mr. Base-Smith asked about typical trail traffic [200 ppl / day with high-volume Loveland at 1,000/day]. Ms. Duke asked for rough cost construction and maintenance costs with the land bank and Wyoming costs of 2017 hike/bike trail as benchmarks [estimated \$500k to \$1MM per mile with normal Federal grant funding at 80% followed by State grant to cover the 20% gap with local funding covering 25% of the 20% state grant]. Also looking at private money and matching grant options. The key item is knowing how much it

costs. Maintenance costs are probably \$2k/year and look at what public works department is paying now and would give a good estimate of costs. Every 20-30 years would have to look at repaving. Village Administrator Lumsden stated that if the funding is matched as outlined, the Village cost would be \$50k. Mr. Besl asked what are alternative routes? [Not sure, but identifying them would be part of the study. Greenbelt is prime because it is publicly held and installing on roadway impacts user experience]. Mr. Besl asked if an economic impact would require some way for people to find the Village Square [possibly, can use signage or other means to drive traffic and can look at the options in the study]. Ms. Baldrige addressed the concerns regarding 2 homes on greenbelt noting that there is no intention to disturb the properties or go behind them and that would not be an option.

Ordinance 2023-19 passed via 4-2 vote with the following results: Mr. Besl – yes, Ms. Duke – no, Ms. Macenko – yes, Mr. Base-Smith – yes, Mr. Kreidler – no, Ms. Baldrige – yes.

V. New Business

Ordinances

Ordinance 2023-22 An Ordinance Authorizing the Administrator to Renew Health Insurance with the Center for Local Government Benefits Pool, Said Program a Public Insurance Pool not Subject to Public Bid, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-22 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Duke.

Village Administrator Lumsden stated that rates increased 7.5% and a 7% increase had been budgeted. He believes the increase can be covered via current appropriations. He recommended continued participation in the CLG Benefits Pool due to best pricing available.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-22 passed via unanimous Council roll-call vote.

Ordinance 2023-23 An Ordinance Authorizing the Administrator to Continue to Implement a Health Savings Account Plan with Health Equity as the Administrating Agent and Authorizing Funding of \$2,000 of the Family Deductible and \$1,000 of the Single Deductible Toward Eligible Medical Expenses Incurred by Employees who Have Complied with the Annual Wellness Assessment, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-23 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Duke.

Administrator Lumsden stated this is an extension of the 2022 plan with no changes.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-23 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Ordinance 2023-24 An Ordinance Designating the Employee and Employer Contributions Toward Health Insurance Premiums, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ms. Duke moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-24 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Administrator Lumsden stated this is ordinance for the annual health insurance

renewal.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-24 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Ordinance 2023-25 An Ordinance Authorizing the Administrator to Renew Dental Insurance with Dental Care Plus for All Eligible Full-Time and Those Part-Time Employees Provided for by Ordinance, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-25 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Macenko.

Administrator Lumsden stated dental coverage has no cost increase.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-25 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Ordinance 2023-26 An Ordinance Authorizing a Contract with the Public Entities Pool of Ohio for Property and Liability Insurance, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ms. Duke moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-26 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Village Administrator Lumsden stated this is a renewal of property and vehicle insurance including cyberattack and public officials wrongful acts coverage. This

has an increase of approximately 12% and this can be handled via existing appropriations.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-26 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Ordinance 2023-27 An Ordinance Increasing the Appropriations of the Water Works Fund, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-27 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Macenko.

Administrator Lumsden stated the treatment plant had a pipe burst in January and all expenses have been running through insurance. This is to receive the amount for the repairs including the bill for CWW and increase to water.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-27 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Ordinance 2023-28 An Ordinance Increasing the Appropriations of the Sanitary Sewer Fund, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ms. Macenko moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-28 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Besl.

Village Administrator Lumsden stated the outstanding bill from water/sewer/storm locating as part of CMOM. The Village received funds for the expense in 2022

but waiting on project completion for payment. Ms. Duke asked if project is complete and Village Administrator Lumsden stated that the project is 95% complete with some valve boxes and odd items to locate but substantively complete.

Ms. Baldrige motioned to dispense with three reads which was seconded by Mr. Kreidler and approved via 5-1 vote with the following results: Mr. Besl – yes, Ms. Duke – no, Ms. Macenko – yes, Mr. Base-Smith – yes, Mr. Kreidler – yes, Ms. Baldrige – yes.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-28 passed via 5-1 vote with the following results: Mr. Besl – yes, Ms. Duke – no, Ms. Macenko – yes, Mr. Base-Smith – yes, Mr. Kreidler – yes, Ms. Baldrige – yes.

Ordinance 2023-29 An Ordinance Appointing Glendale Volunteer Firefighters, Establishing a One-Year Probationary Period, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-29 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Macenko.

Assistant Fire Chief Lerman Administrator Lumsden introduced the volunteers and their backgrounds.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-29 passed via unanimous Council roll call vote.

Mayor Lofty administered the Oath of Office.

Resolution 2023-12 A Resolution Approving the Update of the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District.

Mr. Besl moved to adopt Resolution 2023-12 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Macenko.

Village Administrator Lumsden stated this represents the Village approval to the Solid Waste management district plan. Asked all municipalities to approve the plan prior to fed government submission.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-12 passed via unanimous Council roll-call vote.

VI. Reports from the Mayor, Village Administrator, Standing and Special Committees

Births: None reported

Deaths: None reported

Mayor's Report

Memorial Day Parade was a success and thanked Hildy Bonhaus, Anne Foster, Lisa Spaulding and for coordinating. A veteran took a fall during the rifle salute and has reported that he is well and thanked the EMTs for their response and care.

On Sunday 25 June, the Glendale Collectors Car and Motorcycle show will be held until 4pm. The Cincinnati Civic Orchestra will perform starting at 6:30. Mayor Lofty noted that the July Council meeting will be 10 July as the first Monday is the day before the 4 July holiday.

Mayor Lofty raised the issue regarding question about the CMOM, an overall umbrella study about water and utilities. This is an ongoing study and will be happening long term with regular updates and progress.

Ms. Duke asked that the passing of Ms. Jenny Babiak, a member of the Village Gardeners of Glendale, be acknowledged and Mayor Lofty led the Council in doing so.

Village Administrator's Report

Village Administrator Lumsden reported the Village has signed onto the electric aggregation agreement resulting in significant savings. He reminded residents that door to door solicitation is illegal by ordinance. If you see this occurring, please report this to the Police department immediately.

He noted that 13 Village buildings have had water meters replaced and are being put online. Neuman plumbing is doing work on behalf of the Village to install meters. Xavier Public Sector Leadership Certificate program was completed by Kevin Bell and himself with possible additional employees attending in 2024. A Zoning Board of Appeals meeting will be held on 6/13 at 4pm. Request for appeal for short term rental appeal and Village application for variance for lot split regarding 38 Village Square. The lot size is non-conforming per ordinance

Reports:

Finance Committee - Committee Chair Mr. Besl reported the committee did not meet in May. The next meeting will be scheduled for late June/early July offline.

Fire Committee – Committee Chair Ms. Macenko reported the committee met 11 July at 3pm to discuss new software and high hazard risks in the Village. Assistant Fire Chief Lerman noted the fire report was published previously noting that runs were up slightly and there may be a slight lag in getting reports out as people are trained on the software.

Laws and Claims Committee – Committee Chair Ms. Duke reported that the committee met and discussed Council rules. Another meeting will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

Police Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Kreidler reported the committee did not meet in May. Lieutenant Kiest reported 5 thefts including photography equipment, a stolen check and others in May. A vehicle was stolen from Annadale and later recovered. Ms. Baldrige asked about time of day and other details regarding the burglaries. Lieutenant Kiest noted that the times varied and were across multiple days but the suspects go and take pictures of the interior of the house as well as sensitive materials.

Public Buildings and Historic Preservation Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Kreidler reported the committee did not meet in May. A meeting will be scheduled in the coming months.

Recreation and Playgrounds Committee – Committee Chair Ms. Baldrige reported the committee did not meet in May. The next meeting will be scheduled off-line.

Streets, Public Improvements & Lights Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Besl reported the committee met in 23 May to discuss water mitigation plans and progress. Bethany presented a plan for the north part of the property to improve water detention. The proposed Oak Road retention pond will also help with water issues. The revised plan looked better as it helps retain some old trees and some trees that do better around water. Next meeting will be based on engineering design delivery. Ms. Baldrige asked about street conditions and asked how people find the repaving plan. Mr. Besl said the minutes are a good reference or to call the Village Office.

Utilities Committee – Committee Chair Mr. Base-Smith reported the committee met 10 May and the topics included the financials for Q1, water meter installation and CMOM progress.

IX. Miscellaneous Business and Reports

a. Reports from the Clerk and Treasurer

Treasurer – Treasurer Beaugrand provided the May investment results via email. 4.5% 5-year CDs still available as CDs mature.

Clerk – no report.

X. Review of Expenditures

Mayor Lofty reported the receipt of 2023-06 General Operating Checking Register and Financial reports for April 2023. Motion to acknowledge receipt of report was made by Mr. Besl and seconded by Ms. Duke and passed via unanimous Council voice-vote. Both unanimous. Mayor Lofty then introduced the Mayor's Court report. Ms. Duke motioned to acknowledge receipt and Mr. Kreidler seconded the motion. The motion passed via unanimous Council voice-vote.

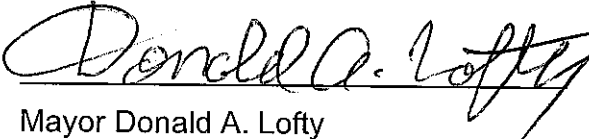
XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Macenko. The motion was seconded by Ms. Duke and unanimously passed by Council voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Next regular meeting July 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm

ATTESTED BY:



Mayor Donald A. Lofty



Rebecca M. Terrell, Clerk