

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO

October 11, 2021

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:07 a.m. on Monday, October 11, 2021, with Mayor Robert A. Ranallo presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Marcia Merritt
Abby Hiltzley
Karl Scheucher

Courtenay Taplin
Richard Steudel
Sam Knezevic

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Law Director Stephen L. Byron, Police Chief Carl Dondorfer, and Service Director Bob Haynik.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 13, 2021 were previously distributed to Council. Mr. Taplin moved to approve the minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Ms. Hiltzley.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltzley, Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None
Abstain: Knezevic, Merritt

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Resolution No. 2021-17 - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Ms. Merritt moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltzley, Knezevic, Merritt Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2021-17 adopted

Ordinance No. 2021-9 - "An Ordinance amending the annual appropriation ordinance of the Village of Waite Hill to change certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, repealing certain ordinances and declaring an emergency" was read for the first time. Mr. Knezevic moved to suspend the rule requiring that an ordinance be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltzley, Knezevic, Merritt Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried

Rule suspended

After discussion, Ms. Merritt moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-9, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Scheucher; Hiltsley, Steudel, Taplin, Knezevic, Merritt
Nays: None

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2021-9 adopted

Ordinance No. 2021-10 - "An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to expend Village funds for a public celebration" was read for the first time. Mr. Taplin moved to suspend the rule requiring that an ordinance be read on three different days, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltsley, Knezevic, Merritt Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Rule suspended

After discussion, Ms. Merritt moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-10, which motion was seconded by Ms. Hiltsley.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltsley, Knezevic, Merritt Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Ordinance No. 2021-10 adopted

Ms. Merritt announced that the Halloween party, the expenses for which will be less than the three thousand dollars (\$3,000) budgeted, will be held Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm, with food/refreshments and candy being provided. The Lake County Canine Team, the SWAT team vehicle, the Willoughby Hills Fire Department's ladder truck and possibly a bomb squad robot will be present. Written invitations have been sent out and for the next two Wednesdays (October 15 & October 22) emailed invitations will be sent. Kirtlandale held a hayride (paid for by residents, not the association). The Village Voice newsletter will be distributed in November. The Village will also be resuming the distribution of new resident welcome packets.

Mr. Scheucher reported on behalf of the Finance Committee that the Committee had met and approved the previous month's meeting minutes. The Village has received its reimbursement from the state for tax rollbacks, and other reimbursements, totaling between \$56,000-\$111,000. Amongst matters discussed were AT&T and Verizon expenses, as well as road maintenance/paving of private roads. The County Auditor's triennial update has resulted in increased property valuations.

Ms. Hiltsley reported on behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission and Architectural Board of Review, that the plans for the Gale/Winter garage addition were approved. The new house

located at 9445 Metcalf Road will be moved further south than previously planned and the existing house by the road will be torn down. The old Meister house is being removed. There is a desire to have an information sheet for residents which identifies the approval process for Planning and Zoning, as well as the Architectural Board of Reviews. A draft of the information sheet has been prepared and reviewed, and it will be posted to the Village's website.

Mr. Knezevic reported on behalf of the Safety Committee. That there is much happening in the Village and neighboring communities: loose horses, suicides, and attempted suicides. A Gardenside resident returned home and has received frequent assistance from the Village, and is also being helped by neighbors. Solicitors have been stopped from going door to door. There was also discussion regarding the Kirtland Country Club skeet shooting. Data being gathered by the Waite Hill Police Department. Lt. Gerics is fully on-board with the Village and will be working the 12:00 pm to 12:00 am shift. Unit 748 is getting old and will be replaced in 2022 by a new vehicle.

Ms. Merritt deferred to Mr. Haynik to report on behalf of the Service Committee. The Halloween party plans are on schedule. Police garage lighting needs to be repaired: the ballasts are bad and L.E.D. lights will be installed, which should save energy costs Discussion regarding dead tree removal was held, and residents will be notified of their legal obligation to take down trees that threaten to fall on the Village's rights of way.

It was noted by the Mayor that the Fire and EMT contracts with Willoughby Hills are being negotiated and will be brought to Council for approval.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Taplin moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Mr. Knezevic.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltsley, Knezevic, Merritt Scheucher, Steudel, Taplin
Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Robert A. Ranallo, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2021

ATTEST: _____
Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer