

# COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FORT LORAMIE

## REGULAR SESSION

Held: June 27, 2022

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The Council of the Village of Fort Loramie convened in regular session from 8:00 P.M. to 10:19 P.M. at 14 Elm St, Fort Loramie OH. Mayor Ahlers called the meeting to order with the following members and guests present:

Mr. Randy Ahlers	Present	Mr. Chris Boeke	Present
Mr. Chad Wray	Present	Mr. Matt Hoying	Present
Mr. Ryan Simon	Present	Mr. Tim Siegel	Present
Mr. Sam Grassbaugh	Present		

**EMPLOYEES:** Jennifer Frilling & Nate Brown.

**GUESTS:** Mitch Thobe with Choice One Engineering, Todd Garrett with Pioneer, Tony Bornhorst Shelby County Commissioner & Tyler Shuster with Shelby County Sewer District.

**SOLICITOR:** Eric Ambros

### Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Matt Hoying and seconded by Tim Siegel to accept the minutes of the May 23, 2022 meeting as presented. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

### Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Sam Grassbaugh seconded by Chad Wray to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$145,887.92. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

### Acceptance of Pay Ins

A motion was made by Sam Grassbaugh and seconded by Chris Boeke to accept the pay ins as presented in the amount of \$191,427.37. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

### Committee Reports

**Finance:** No meeting this month. The total income tax receipts for May were \$104,980.26 which is down \$17,755.61 or 14.5% from May of 2021. As of June 24<sup>th</sup>, the total income tax receipts for June are \$118,509.68 which is up \$14,708.06 or 14.2% from the end of June 2021 with 4 days of collections remaining. Total YTD receipts through June 24<sup>th</sup> were \$895,421.57 which is up \$135,203.41 or 10.3% from the end of June 2021 with 4 days of collection remaining.

**Police & Safety:** No meeting this month. Tony Bornhorst spoke on the new County-wide radio system that is in the works. It's a \$15 million agreement with Motorola, about \$9 million of that is in construction costs and the other \$6 million is the maintenance program for years 1 thru 19. At years 7 & 14 there will be complete software upgrades. It'll be 18 months until activation, so around November 2023. This upgrade is being completely paid for at the County level out of their permanent improvement fund (sales tax dollars).

**Parks:** Held meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Lane & parking at the pavilion was discussed, it was decided that this wasn't a high priority item. Noise dampening materials have been ordered from Low Voltage Solutions for approximately \$4K. MUSCO will be coming Thursday of this week to evaluate the lights on the lit up diamond. The committee discussed the protective netting for spectators at Redskin Memorial Park. The parks committee is ready to proceed with the batting cages once a

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location for installation is agreed upon. The Gaga Ball pit has been resurfaced & repaired so is now open again. More gravel has been installed on the walking path. The grant was approved for the Youth Park improvements for tennis & basketball courts. In the near future Council will need to discuss plaques & level of donor amount for those volunteers that have donated a large amount of time & services to Redskin Memorial Park.

Chad asked Adam if he had received any quotes back on the protection behind the plate for spectators. This is for the shade/safety netting that would cover the entrance way when you walk in and pretty much everywhere where there isn't grass. The biggest concerns presented at the Parks Committee meeting was along the sidelines. Adam suggested maybe putting signs up throughout the park protecting the Village. Currently we have no signs displayed about watching for fly balls or something along those lines. Matt Hoying said he recently had someone ask him about when the volleyball court(s) would be installed. It was mentioned that this person felt a volleyball court or courts were to be installed this year, 2022.

**Streets & Sanitation:** No meeting this month, nothing to report per Ryan Simon

**Planning:** No meeting this month, nothing to report per Chad Wray.

### **Old Business**

#### **Discuss County Sewer Plant Upgrade Project**

Tyler Shuster said that Peterson Construction started just a little over a month ago. Hoping to connect to the Village water line shortly after July 4<sup>th</sup>. Tyler said that they are moving right along as long as they have the materials. Chad Wray asked what the payment schedule for the Village looks like. The County's first payment is looking to line up to be November 2022. Tyler will get us a better date & payment schedule as to what they'll expect from the Village. The Village will reimburse the County for our portion. The County will pay the entire payment to the USDA. Matt Hoying added that we'll definitely need to know what our hit is going to be for 2023 for upcoming budgeting purposes. Estimated project completion date is October 2023.

Tony Bornhorst brought up the gentleman at the corner of Kaiser Road and State Route 47 in Newport that wants to build a shed and put a bathroom in the building. The only way he'd be able to do that is if he could join the county sewer system. The County Sewer district, nor the commissioners have a problem with it. The County would pay for the installation of the 400 foot gravity line and the manhole sight that would be on the corner of said residents property. The final decision would come to the Council and they have a final say of anyone in the Newport area that asks to join onto the sewage system. After a brief discussion, Council agree that they did not have any issues with letting this resident join onto the system. Tyler asked to send that approval over to him in writing, Randy advised that he would get something over to him on Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Discuss Storm Sewer Replacement Project**

Mitch Thobe present & he spoke on the completion of the Phase I of the project. Matt Hoying brought up the drain right at or near the alley & the post office property. Matt believes the drain itself needs raised, Mitch says that's not able to happen. It was decided that possibly all the newly planted grass in that immediate area should be replaced with gravel because of the Larger Brothers trucks cutting through that area repeatedly with their trucks. Adam & Craig will look into it.

#### **Discuss Industrial Park Expansion**

Randy advised that he talked with the 2 KARRS guys and their project may be delayed until 2023. Dayton Development says that the new Intel plant in Columbus received a lot of the OSIP grant money so as not to leave much, if any, left for this project. May have to put this project on the back burner until sometime in 2023.

#### **Discuss Canal Bike Path**

Randy asked Commissioner, Tony Bornhorst, his thoughts on the bike path from Minster, headed south. There's a lot of area

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to cover from Minster to Piqua. To build a paved bike trail with some grade in it is \$1 million dollars per mile. There is continuous ongoing discussion about the project, funding & placement are the two biggest topics.

### **New Business**

#### **Foundation Investment Amount(s)**

Randy & Jenny met with Marian Spicer from the Community Foundation. We currently have \$271,157.00 in the Redskin Memorial Park fund. Plus we have additional money from that fund sitting in a Fort Loramie Booster Club checking account in the amount of \$44,603 sitting in that account, for a total of \$315,760. Marian advised that this money is strictly to be used at Redskin Memorial Park. The other fund that we have the Community Foundation is from when the Youth Organization disbanded. That fund has a balance of \$41,746.00 and of that \$10,200 is spendable at this time. This is sitting in a conservative investment account in which Marian recommended moving it to more of an aggressive Growth Fund based on where the economy is now. This fund can be spent at any of our Village parks. Council discussed spending that \$41,746.00 for our Youth Park improvement project that we are beginning with the basketball and tennis courts. Get with Marian and we'll add the 3 current parks committee members as her contacts and we'll proceed with depleting this fund on the Youth Parks improvement project.

#### **Gas Aggregation Contract**

Randy advised that there is a new contract in the works with Constellation. There is a meeting tomorrow where things will hopefully be finalized.

#### **Summer Help**

Ed Seger began on May 31<sup>st</sup> at a hourly pay rate of \$14.50, Devin Wray will begin in July at an hourly pay rate of \$12.00.

#### **Review Resolution 2022-991, regarding 40 Hour work week with Holiday**

After discussion council agreed to amend that Resolution to state that Holiday time should count as normal hours worked.

#### **Tom's Construction**

Consider Tom's Construction Pay Request #4 in the Amount of \$220,373 for materials and work completed for the Storm Sewer Upgrade project. (Village amount of \$84,504.26, OPWV Funds \$135,868.74).

#### **OPWC Request**

Council asked Mitch Thobe to check with ODOT to see if/when they are planning to resurface East Park Street and/or Elm Street. Mitch will need to know by September, will have to complete a resolution at the September meeting.

#### **Jeff Rethman request to vacate alley**

Council agreed to wait until storm sewer project is done. That alley is essentially his driveway.

Residents with newly planted grass, do we want to waive sewage on water used for watering their new lawn? Council agrees that the resident is responsible for paying for the watering of their grass. At this time we currently do not have meters so we are unable to even advise them to install an outside water meter.

#### **Final Comments**

Randy said that Ann Stidd contacted him about the Village becoming a Buckeye Trail Hiking Town.

Ryan Simon asked if the sound system in the concession stand works. Adam Schmiesing advised that yes, it does work.

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Matt Hoying asked if the Welcome to the Village of Fort Loramie sign on Elm Street has been straightened up yet, Adam Schmiesing advised that it is not straightened yet but it will be, once it's dry enough.

Chad Wray asked if there is a switch in the Pavilion that will shut off the A/C when the side doors are up. Adam advised that Buschur's were supposed to install that. Adam was advised to follow up with Buschur to see if that has been completed.

Matt Hoying asked about the fridge in the pavilion if that is going to stay there and what is now in the concession stand. Adam advised that there is a sliding door Pepsi cooler in the concession stand and that it seems to be working well.

### Announcements

Liberty Days will be held July 1, 2 & 3.  
Sunday Gazebo party coming up on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Executive Session

A motion was made by Tim Siegel, seconded by Chad Wray to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Sam Grassbaugh, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Matt Hoying, aye, Tim Siegel, aye, Ryan Simon, aye. Motion carried. Those present in executive session were Chad Wray, Matt Hoying, Chris Boeke, Sam Grassbaugh, Tim Siegel, Ryan Simon, Randy Ahlers & Adam Schmiesing.

A motion to exit executive session was made by Ryan Simon, seconded by Sam Grassbaugh. All were in favor.

Nothing to report.

### Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Matt Hoying, seconded by Chris Boeke. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Sam Grassbaugh, aye, Tim Siegel, aye, Ryan Simon, aye, Matt Hoying, aye. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned until June 25, 2022 at 8:00 P.M. at 14 Elm St., Fort Loramie OH.

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Mr. Randy Ahlers, Mayor

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Village Administrator

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Jennifer Frilling, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Village of Fort Loramie Council concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.