

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FORT LORAMIE

REGULAR SESSION

Held: August 22, 2022

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The Council of the Village of Fort Loramie convened in regular session from 8:00 P.M. to 9:57 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	Absent	Mr. Tim Siegel	Present
Mr. Sam Grassbaugh	Present		

EMPLOYEES: Mark Shappie, Jennifer Frilling & Nate Brown.

GUESTS: Todd Garrett with Pioneer Electric.

SOLICITOR: Bill Zimmerman Jr.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Tim Siegel and seconded by Chris Boeke to accept the minutes of the July 25, 2022 meeting as presented. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Matt Hoying seconded by Sam Grassbaugh to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$82,460.84. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

Acceptance of Pay Ins

A motion was made by Sam Grassbaugh and seconded by Chad Wray to accept the pay ins as presented in the amount of \$259,610.53. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

Excuse Absent Members

A motion was made by Matt Hoying and seconded by Chad Wray to excuse Councilman Ryan Simon from the meeting. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Finance: No meeting this month. The total income tax receipts for July were \$98,488.34 which is up \$13,164.32 or 13.37% from July of 2021. As of August 19, 2022 the total income tax receipts for August are \$77,384.32 which is up \$584.35 or 0.75% from the end of August 2021 with 5 days of collections remaining. Total YTD receipts through August 22nd are \$995,969.59 which is up \$150,427.21 or 11.5% from the end of August 2021 with 8 days of collection remaining.

Sam proposes that we set the first 2023 budget meeting at the September meeting, for some time in October.

Police & Safety: No meeting this month, nothing to report.

Parks: Committee held meeting on August 17th. MUSCO did redirect the lighting on the field, that is all looking much better. That work was all completed under warranty including one light bulb replacement. Adam Schmiesing did receive a

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quote for a pretty extensive netting system to protect walkways & spectators at Redskin Memorial Park. The quotes came back to be very costly. Adam & Mark will look into some other options. Committee believes the northeast diamond was a good location for the batting cages, also instead of going 80' length the committee felt it could be shortened down to 55' length. New quotes will be received on that shorter length. The goal is to have the concrete poured yet this fall and erect the uprights and netting in the Spring. Current length of cages at the Youth Park is 70', which is standard length. The Village is assuming the cost of the concrete, baseball & softball organizations are responsible for costs of poles & netting. Some items on the want or wish list that the committee feels needs looked at are the volleyball courts, adding basketball hoops, shade, & lighting another diamond (northwest diamond to be specific). Mark is aware of the lighting of the additional diamond and is working to get quotes. Chad advised that Adam Schmiesing is to look into a switch that would kill the Air Conditioning Unit or Heating Unit if/when the side doors are up on the pavilion. Chad said it can be done pretty easily, but there will be a cost associated with doing it (Chad ballparked it at \$4K). It's a matter of do we really need and/or want to do it. Chad to hopefully have quote at September meeting.

Streets & Sanitation: No meeting this month, nothing to report.

Planning: No meeting this month. Chad advised that the Weigandt drawings are complete. They have not yet been presented to the Village.

Old Business

Discuss County Sewer Plant Upgrade Project

Mark Shappie toured the facility last week, the project is coming along nicely. Haven't received any type of financial information yet.

Discuss Storm Sewer Replacement Project

Per Mark, the guys are through the deep part and are into the more shallow area and the Park. Going forward, with future projects, we may look into alternative methods of digging so deep as our equipment really isn't made for that & it may be a risk for our guys to do that type of work.

Discuss Industrial Park Expansion

Still not aware if OSIP grant has been awarded. In Mark's opinion, for this to work for the Village, not only are we going to need OSIP grant but we are going to have to get a RIPL (Rural Industrial Park Loan) loan & OPWC loan in order to make this a financially smart investment for the Village. Current cost for a linear foot of paved roadway is \$1,400, which is crazy. The Village could potentially have \$500K in a lot without any grant funding, so without grant funding it just may not make sense to develop at this present time.

Youth Park Grant

Need for competitive bidding...colors & grant activity. Mark isn't sold on concrete, he believes we also need to look at our options with pavement. Mark has talked to some individuals who play pickleball and they don't prefer to play on concrete as the ball tends to bounce funny if it hits a sawed crack. It's also harder on a person's joints, versus pavement. Asphalt will also be cheaper than concrete. Sam Grassbaugh made a motion to let Choice One get bid packets together, Chris Boeke seconded the motion. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Amend Ordinance 2018-1131

A motion was made by Tim Siegel and seconded by Chad Wray that the rate to be imposed for bulk water furnished by the Village of Fort Loramie be fixed at \$25 per the first 1 to 1,000 gallons, then over 1,000 will be charged \$25 per 1,000 gallons or a fraction thereof. To this motion all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

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New Business

Park Policy & Rates

Mark presented council with a rough draft of an Inclement Weather Policy, a Rental Agreement Checklist & Scheduling Policy and a rate sheet for review. He suggested council review it over the next month and come back in September and finalize something on paper. After discussion, a motion was made by Matt Hoying and seconded by Tim Siegel to adopt the policies & the fee schedules as distributed. It was also agreed upon that we charge the Thursday night men's softball league the fees as laid out on the fee schedule.

Need for Fall Employees – Part-Time

Mark strongly feels that the guys need an additional guy heading into fall/winter to work part-time and assist Craig & Adam. After discussion council advised Mark to hire an additional part-time person.

Food Trucks

Randy fielded a call from an individual that would like to place a food truck in town Wednesday thru Sunday of each week. Randy passed him along our policy & information. Council asked Bill what the City of Sidney does. He's unaware of their rules & regulations but he will find out & forward us the information. After discussion council advised Mark to edit the previously proposed ordinance to ban food trucks on public property, to make the permit fee on private property \$100 & the fine \$200 if no permit was obtained.

Solar Panel Zoning Code

Council liked the regulations on solar photovoltaic systems that Mark proposed. This is very similar to what the Village of Minster has in place. This proposal pertains to homeowners only. Council advised that this will have to go through the Planning Commission, then the Zoning Board and then finally presented to council for adoption. The process for this will begin.

Consider Resolution 2022-999, A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

A motion was made by Tim Siegel and seconded by Matt Hoying to approve Resolution No. 2022-999. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Sam Grassbaugh, aye, Matt Hoying, aye, Tim Siegel, aye. Motion carried.

Consider Resolution 2022-1000, A Resolution Temporarily Suspending Fort Loramie Ordinance Section 92.07, for the Spring Gazebo Party, Liberty Days, Alumni Softball Tournament, Fall Gazebo Party & German Heritage Days

A motion was made by Chris Boeke and seconded by Tim Siegel to approve Resolution No. 2022-1000. To the roll call vote: Chad Wray, aye, Chris Boeke, aye, Sam Grassbaugh, aye, Matt Hoying, aye, Tim Siegel, aye. Motion carried.

Final Comments

Matt Hoying has had a few young mothers ask him recently if the Parks Committee had considered putting in a splash pad at Redskin Memorial Park. Chad said it was discussed at a Committee meeting and was vetoed. Costs can be around 2 million for installation. Other neighboring Villages have looked into doing something 30'x40' and quotes came back in around \$500K to \$600K. Following the installation, the expenses to run it & maintain it add up quickly.

Mark wants to get the Halloween Trick-or-Treat date & time established for 2022. We will have that determined prior to the September meeting. It'll likely be the Thursday before Halloween and the same timeframe as it's been in the past.

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Announcements

Sunday Gazebo party scheduled for August 18m 2022 was postponed, new date yet to be determined.
German Heritage Days will be held September 23rd & 24th.

Executive Session

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

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

Nothing to report.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned until September 26, 2022 at 8:00 P.M. at 14 Elm St., Fort Loramie OH.

Mr. Randy Ahlers, Mayor

Mark Shappie, Village Administrator

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.