

**LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL**  
**“EMERGENCY COUNCIL MEETING”**  
**December 30, 2021**  
**Mayor Shawn C. Priest, Presiding**

Mayor Shawn Priest called the **emergency** session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, December 30, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. No invocation was given and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Council Members Mrs. Rita Smith-Daulton, Mr. John Michael, Mr. Joel Morris, and Ms. Blythe Pelham via cell phone.

**Also present:** Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans, Administrator Kenny Worley. Police Chief Shane Nolley and Solicitor Fred Beery was absent.

Also attending: Mr. Robert Barrett Jr.

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:** Discuss employee raises and pass budgetary legislation.

**BUSINESS:** Fiscal Office Tracy Evans started the meeting by distributing a memo from the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the US Department of Labor that showed the Consumer Price Index for the United States has increased 6.8% for all items, in the last 12 months, and is the largest inflation increase since June 1982. In addition, the Social Security Administration is increasing the Cost of Living Adjustment to 5.9% starting January 1, 2022. Mayor Priest stated she thought a 5% wage increase was fair. Councilwoman Rita Smith-Daulton stated she felt a raise scale based on steps would be beneficial for our employees in the future. Administrator Worley asked Council to consider increasing his monthly salary by \$200 for the extra hours he works. After discussion, Council decided on a 5% pay increase for the Police Department, and a 5% pay increase for all other employees other than Administrator Worley who will be given a \$200-month increase.

\*Joel Morris moved and Rita Smith Daulton seconded for a 5% pay increase for the Police Department. Roll call vote 3-1 with John Michael abstaining. Motion carried.

\*Blythe Pelham moved and John Michael seconded to give all other employees a 5% pay increase. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.

\*Blythe- Pelham moved and John Michael seconded to give Administrator Kenny Worley an increase of \$200 a month taking his monthly salary from \$1,100 to \$1,300. Roll call vote 3-1 with Joel Morris abstaining. Motion carried.

**LEGISLATION:**

ORDINANCE NO. 21-10

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEESBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022.

\*John Michael moved and Joel Morris seconded to approve Ordinance No. 21-10. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-14

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE WATER AND SEWER DEBT SERVICE FUNDS RETROACTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2021.

\*John Michael moved and Rita Smith-Daulton seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-14. Roll call vote 4-0. Motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Joel Morris moved and John Michael seconded to adjourn at 2:28 PM. Roll call vote 4-0. Meeting adjourned.