LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL 5/16/2019 Mayor Freddie Snyder

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the regular May session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. Invocation was given by Pastor John Fitzgerald and Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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ROLL CALL:		Present: Council Membe	rs Mr. John Michael 🖂
			Ms. Shawn C. Priest 🖂
			Mr. Chris Runyon
			Mr. Morgan Sheppard 🖂
			Mr. Richard Tolle 🖂
			Mr. Scott Willey 🛛
		Also Present:	Police Chief Shane Nolley \boxtimes
			Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans 🖂
			Solicitor Fred Beery 🖂

Also attending: Blythe Pelham and Rita Smith Daulton.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. John Michael moved and Shawn Priest seconded to approve the minutes for the April 9, 2019 Special Council Meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

1. Scott Willey moved and John Michael seconded to approve the minutes for the April 18, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

2. Shawn Priest moved and Scott Willey seconded to approve the minutes for the April 22, 2019 Special Council Meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

b. Council reviewed the bills paid in April 2019. John Michael moved and Richard Tolle seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Ms. Blythe Pelham – just observing.

Mrs. Rita Smith Daulton – just observing.

III. LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-04

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF SR 28 CULVERT HEADWALL AND TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS AND DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Shawn Priest moved and John Michael seconded to approve Resolution No. 19-04. Roll call vote 4-1 with Morgan Sheppard voting no. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

> Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.

- Informed Council of the current financial situation with the Water Fund and requested Council temporarily stop Ordinance No. 13-4 transferring \$1,000 monthly from Water Operating to Water Capital Improvement Fund.
 *Shawn Priest moved and Richard Tolle seconded to temporarily stop Ordinance No. 13-4 transferring \$1,000 monthly from Water Operating to Water Capital Improvement. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.
- Reminded all of Council about the downtown clean-up day occurring Saturday, May 18, 2019 and encouraged all of council to help out.
- Presented Council with a report from Income Tax Clerk Dorothy Vance which included a refund of \$30.
 *Morgan Sheppard moved and Shawn Priest seconded to accept the Income Tax Report. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.
- Informed Council the Village received a \$3,500 grant from Highland County Commissioners for recycling/litter clean up.
- Informed Council that after reviewing Highland's utility usage and bills for the 2018 year, due to a broken meter, Highland's bill had to be estimated for a few months. Engineer Steve Canter showed us a formula involving the pump hours and billing percentage that helped us to obtain some approximate totals for the bills that were estimated. Therefore, Highland was under billed \$2,434.26 for the 2018 year. Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans stated since this was not Highland's fault and was the Village's billing error, Highland should not have to pay the difference and asked Council to adjust the amount off their account.

*Shawn Priest moved and John Michael seconded to adjust \$2,434.26 from Highland's invoice account. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

The 2017 and 2018 Audit will commence on Wednesday May 22, 2019 and Thursday May 23, 2019

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of April 2019, there were 341 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-160 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Stephens-160 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Brady-10.25 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Cottrell-120 regular, 0 overtime; Officer Dawson – 150 regular, 10.25 overtime. There were 2 Traffic Crash Report, and 20 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 2, Traffic Citations -6, and Warning Citations - 3. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 780 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer – 847 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 688 miles driven. Repairs: \$204.23 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- The Police Department has 84 active case reports. The departments total reports received for the month of April 2019 were 20, a decrease of 4 reports from April 2018.
- Ptl. Dawson attended Dynamic Vehicle Operations at Ohio Police Officers Training Academy in London Ohio.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

Administrator's Report submitted.

Report of Income Tax Administrator Dorothy Vance:

Mrs. Vance reported that \$57,344.29 was collected for the month of April 2019.

Report of Mayor Freddie Snyder:

- Informed Council the 2019 salt bid awarded was for \$80.88/ton for Highland County.
- Military Banners are up.
- Met with Highland Council and Mayor regarding the need of a new Flow Meter.
- Met with ScaData and Steve Canter regarding combining all utilities on one system. Steve Canter is trying to find us some grant money to pay for the project.
- Water/sewer rates need to be re-evaluated.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Mayor Snyder informed Council the new Platting Committee for the Village consisted of himself, Jim Cook, Danny Daulton and Jenni Thackston.
- Mayor Snyder stated that he and Administrator Jason Campbell would like to see the Administrator's position go back to Co-Administrators with Jason Wiget being in charge of water/sewer and Jason Campbell in charge of the streets. The Admin pay would stay at \$8,000 a year being split between the Co-Administrators. Both Jason Wiget and Jason Campbell agree and encourage this change. Councilman Sheppard said he did not like the idea because we would go back to having no accountability or leadership. *Shawn Priest moved and Richard Tolle seconded the Administrator job and salary be split as it was before. Roll call vote 4-1 with Morgan Sheppard voting no. Motion carried.
- Temple Property Presented to Judge McKenna for a nuisance however, the Village just obtained information that Kenny and Debbie Jenkins purchased the property and Mr. Temple has 90 days to gather his belongings.
- George Phillips property Mayor Snyder stated he is taking bids and he had a contractor ask how to handle the asbestos. Solicitor Beery stated the Mayor or Village has nothing to do with the asbestos. The Court appointed Mayor Snyder as the Receiver, not the owner and we are just overseeing the demolition bids that will be in a sealed envelope and turned in to Judge McKenna.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- It was suggested by Council the ditch line by Mike Evan's property be mowed.
- Richard Tolle moved and Shawn Priest seconded to adjourn at 8:02 PM. Roll call vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned.