

LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL
8/15/2019
Mayor Freddie Snyder

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the regular August session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. Invocation was given by Pastor John Fitzgerald and he led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members 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 ☒
 Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans ☒
 Solicitor Fred Beery ☒

Also attending: Blythe Pelham, Rita Smith-Daulton, Teresa Smith and Jim Smith.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. Morgan Sheppard moved and Shawn Priest seconded to approve the minutes for the July 18, 2019 Council meeting. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

b. Council reviewed the bills paid in July 2019. John Michael moved and Richard Tolle seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Ms. Blythe Pelham – asked Council if she could trim the branches on her Bradford Pear tree that were encroaching the sidewalk. Council told her they were her trees and she could trim them if she wanted.

Mrs. Rita Smith Daulton – just observing

Mrs. Teresa Smith – just observing

Mr. Jim Smith – just observing

III. LEGISLATION:

ORDER 20190815

Based upon the motion approved by Village Council at its meeting on August 15, 2019, it is ordered that rates for water and sewer shall increase by \$10 per bill for inside and outside rates effective October 1, 2019 or the first billing thereafter.

Shawn Priest moved and Morgan Sheppard seconded to approve Order 20190815. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-03

ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS

Richard Tolle moved and John Michael seconded to approve Ordinance No. 19-03. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-08

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND.

Shawn Priest moved and John Michael seconded to approve Resolution No. 19-08.
Motion carried

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None at this time.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- Requested a refund of \$31.96 from Council for a picture frame for Brandtson Duffie's Proclamation and for school supplies for kid's summer meal program.
*Shawn Priest moved and Morgan Sheppard second to refund Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans \$31.96. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.
- Informed Council there have been complaints about the Leesburg Market. The store has been closed since October 2016 and still has a lot of food inside. Solicitor Beery said he would file action against the owner of the market.
- Informed Council there have been several complaints against two properties located at 54 East Main Street and 21 South Fairfield Street. Council agreed the properties needed posted for violation.
*Shawn Priest moved and John Michael seconded to post violations against 54 East Main Street and 21 South Fairfield Street. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported that for the month of July 2019, there were 324 calls for service. Hours worked were as follows: Chief Nolley-152 regular, 8.0 overtime; Officer Stephens-150 regular, 10 overtime; Officer Brady-0 regular, 0 overtime; and Officer Dawson-160 regular, 0 overtime. There was 1 Traffic Crash Report, and 27 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 8, Traffic Citations -5, and Warning Citations - 2. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 455 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer – 950 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 608 miles driven. Repairs: \$653.00 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- The Police Department has 89 active case reports.
The departments total reports received for the month of July 2019 were 27, a decrease of 3 reports from July 2018.
- All officers have completed the annual firearms qualifications.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

- No report given.
- Councilman Scott Willey asked Administrator Wiget why the Village pays Wyatt Irvin to dig when we have a digger. Administrator Wiget stated the one we have is in desperate need of repair or even replaced. The amount that we pay Wyatt Irvin to dig is nothing compared to the price of a new piece of equipment.

Report of Income Tax Administrator Dorothy Vance:

- Mrs. Vance reported that \$35,672.87 was collected for the month of July 2019.
- Mrs. Vance informed Council she would be retiring in December 2019 and they had a couple of different options they could consider. Mrs. Vance stated Council could use the RITA system or hire another individual to take her place. After discussion, Council decided they wanted to hire someone versus using the RITA system. Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 and discuss pay and hours of the position before advertising.

Report of Mayor Freddie Snyder:

- Mr. Fred Cox won the complaint to demolish the Phillips property. In addition to the demolition, the Village will receive an addition \$4,100. Mr. Cox had sixty days to complete this project.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- None

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Shawn Priest moved and Morgan Sheppard seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 7:43 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried
- Council out of Executive Session at 8:35 PM.
- Morgan Sheppard asked Solicitor Beery who's responsible for the electric/cable lines when they are hanging low? Currently, Mr. Sheppard said we have semis around town taking down lines especially by his residence on North High Street. Solicitor Beery stated the Village Administrator could post a sign that states "No Trucks" if he chooses to do so.
- Councilman Richard Tolle left the meeting at 8:30 PM.
- Shawn Priest moved and Chris Runyon seconded to adjourn at 8:43 PM. Roll call vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned.