LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL 11/19/2020 Mayor Shawn Priest

Mayor Shawn C. Priest called the regular November session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. No invocation was given and Mayor Priest led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

| ROLL CALL: Present: Council Members Mrs. Rita Smith-Dau | Iton 🖂 |
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Mr. John Michael ⊠

Ms. Blythe Pelham ⊠

Mr. Chris Runyon ⊠

Mr. Richard Tolle ⊠

Mr. Kenny Worley ⊠

Also Present: Police Chief Shane Nolley \boxtimes

Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans ⊠

Solicitor Fred Beery ⊠

Also attending: No visitors

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Blythe Pelham moved, and Kenny Worley seconded to approve the minutes for the October 15, 2020 regular Council meeting. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.
- b. Council reviewed the bills paid in October 2020. John Michael moved, and Kenny Worley seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.
- c. Blythe Pelham moved, and Rita Smith-Daulton seconded to approve the October 2020 Utility Adjustment Journal. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

No visitors

III. LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-10

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A WATER PROJECT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF LEESBURG AND THE OHIO WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

John Michael moved, and Kenny Worley seconded to accept Resolution No. 20-10. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-11

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPLEMENT APPROPRIATIONS THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND AND CARES ACT FUND.

Kenny Worley moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Resolution No. 20-11. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-12

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A STORM WATER SEWER FUND John Michael moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Resolution No. 20-12. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Rita Smith-Daulton, of the Police/Fire/Safety Committee, reported the committee met on Thursday, November 19, 2020. Those present were Chris Runyon, Rita Smith-Daulton, Richard Tolle, Police Chief Shane Nolley, and Mayor Shawn. Priest. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the need for more police officers but the difficulty of finding applicants. The Committee recommended that Chief Nolley keep up the search for new police officers and schedule the officers remaining for us to have as much coverage as possible.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of October 2020, there were 434 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-152 regular, 10.5 overtime; Officer Dawson-150 regular, 12 overtime, Officer Thompson – 32 regular, 8 overtime, Officer Wynn-136.50 regular, 28 overtime. There were 0 Traffic Crash Reports, and 17 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 3, Traffic Citations - 14, and Warning Citations - 11. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 704 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2020 Police Interceptor – 380 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 711 miles driven. Repairs: \$0 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- ➤ The Police Department has 112 active case reports.
- ➤ The departments total reports received for the month of October 2020 were 17 reports, a decrease of 6 reported from October 2019.

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- Presented Article 41: Village of Leesburg Drug Free/Drug Test Workplace Policy for Council to approve.
 - Kenny Worley moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Article 41. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried
- ➤ Presented Article 42: Public Records Policy for Council to approve.

 Richard Tolle moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Article 42.

 Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.
- > Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans asked Council to appoint a member to the Record Retention Committee.
 - Chris Runyon moved, and John Michael seconded to appoint Rita Smith-Daulton on the Record Retention Committee. Roll call vote 5-0, with Rita Smith-Daulton abstaining. Motion carried.
- Informed Council the alley in front of Fred Cox new houses does not have a name according to the map office. The map office has the first half of the alley marked as Macy but the last have of the alley is not marked. After discussion, Council decided to continue the name of the alley to Macy Lane. Solicitor Beery stated he would bring the legislation to the next meeting.
- ➤ Informed Council that Utility Clerk Becky Hurst requested to be paid out for any unused vacation at the end of the year. Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans stated that due to Becky catching up the Utility Officer, the Special Audit, and her shoulder surgery, it did not leave much time for Becky to take vacation.

John Michael moved, and Kenny Worley seconded to pay Becky Hurst for any vacation unused at the end of 2020.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

No Administrators Report submitted.

Report of Regional Income Tax Association (RITA):

➤ Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans reported that \$29,701.51 was collected for the month of October 2020.

Report of Mayor Shawn C. Priest:

- ➤ Mayor Priest informed Council the signs for "No Trucks" on South Street are in
- Mayor Priest is turning over all the information she has about the grocery store to Realtor Patty Rand (who is working with Mr. Rummer) regarding Chase Bank.
- ➤ Informed Council of an animal livestock problem within the corporation limit. Mayor Priest stated she has checked with surrounding villages and they do not allow livestock within the corporation limit. The current legislation the Village of Leesburg has (Ord# 1994-10) states livestock is allowed a long as the animals are not running freely. According to the Mayor, the ORC states lots must be 1 acre or larger for farm animals. Councilman Chris Runyon asked if we change the Ordinance would the animals that are currently in town be grandfathered in? After discussion Mayor Priest stated this does not have to be decided tonight but would like Council to discuss again.
- ➤ Mayor Priest proposed Council install two parking signs in the downtown area that state "Parking from 6:00AM 6:00PM". This came from a request from a downtown business owner. After discussion, Council decided on 10-minute parking signs instead.
- ➤ Informed Council that Leesburg Hardware has sold and is now owned by the Howland's.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- ➤ Mayor Priest informed Council she is working with Dave Bushelman on the tornado siren.
- ➤ Regarding abandoned properties Councilwoman Blythe Pelham updated Council and showed them pics. Council decided to table this until the December meeting to give the Housing Committee a chance to meet.
- ➤ Regarding the Utility Policy now that the audit is complete, we can start working on this.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

➤ None currently

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilman Kenny Worley asked Mayor Priest to check in to discontinuing the County Shopper.

Chris Runyon moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to go into Executive Session (at the State Auditors request) to discuss the Special Audit at 6:14 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried. Out of Executive at 6:50 PM.

Kenny Worley moved, and Richard Tolle seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:10 PM to discuss personnel, the Administrators position. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried. Out of Executive Session at 7:32 PM.

Richard Tolle moved, and Kenny Worley seconded to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.