# LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL 2/18/2021 Mayor Shawn Priest

Mayor Shawn C. Priest called the regular February session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. No invocation was given and Kenny Worley led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Present:</b> Council Members	Mrs. Rita Smith-Daulton ⊠
		via cell phone

Mr. John Michael ⊠ arrived late

Ms. Blythe Pelham ⊠

Mr. Chris Runyon ⊠ via cell phone

Mr. Richard Tolle ⊠

Mr. Joel Morris ⊠

**Also Present:** Administrator Kenny Worley ⊠

Police Chief Shane Nolley ⊠

Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans ⊠

Solicitor Fred Beery ⊠

Also attending: None

#### I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Rita Smith-Daulton moved, and Chris Runyon seconded to approve the minutes with corrections, for the January 21, 2021 regular Council meeting. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.
- b. Council reviewed the bills paid in January 2021. Richard Tolle moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.
  - c. No Utility Adjustments in January 2021.

# II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

None currently

### III. LEGISLATION:

### ORDINANCE NO. 21-03

AN ORDINANCE TO SET THE PAY FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEE RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2021 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Blythe Pelham moved, and Joel Morris seconded to approve Ordinance No. 21-03. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

## ORDINANCE NO. 21-04

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AN UNOPENED RIGHT OF WAY AT DEPOT STREET Rita Smith-Daulton moved, and Blythe Pelham seconded to waive the three-reading rule. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Blythe Pelham moved, and Chris Runyon seconded to approve Ordinance No. 21-04. Roll call vote 5-0. Motion carried.

### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None currently

### V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

## **Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:**

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of January 2021, there were 265 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-144 regular, 20.92 overtime; Officer Dawson-144 regular, 16 overtime; Officer Thompson – 108 regular, 25 overtime; Officer Bunner-105.17 regular, 15.33 overtime. There was 1 Traffic Crash Report, and 6 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 3, Traffic Citations - 5, and Warning Citations - 18. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 - 2017 Police Interceptor – 737 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2020 Police Interceptor – 406 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 725 miles driven. Repairs: \$0 and Training: \$0.

## Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- ➤ The Police Department has 103 active case reports.
- ➤ The departments total reports received for the month of January 2021 were 6 reports, an increase of 8 reported from January 2020.

## **Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:**

- Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- ➤ Informed Council Carolyn Snodgrass from the Greenfield Utility Department had to come over and fill in for Becky a couple of evenings due to Becky being in quarantine for 3 weeks with Covid.

# Report of Utility/Streets Department from Administrator Worley:

- ➤ Met with the Mayor of Highland to discuss on going repairs.
- Installed hour meters at High St. and 28 West Lift Station.
- ➤ Assisted Nathan Merrill with WWTP effluent sampler.
- ➤ Wired effluent sampler to flow meter on WWTP.
- Prepare for EPA inspection.
- Approved Building Permit for Warren Hester.
- ➤ Replaced heater block and contactor at lift station on 28 West.
- ➤ Pulled pump #1 at Swift's and found impeller and seal was bad.
- > Salted Streets and repaired hydraulic hose on snow plow.
- Installed heat blankets on effluent gate that are controlled by thermostat.
- Rebuilt SBR effluent gate and installed new effluent sampler.

## Report of Regional Income Tax Association (RITA):

➤ Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans reported that \$29,355.72 was collected for the month of January 2021.

# Report of Mayor Shawn C. Priest:

➤ Mayor Priest informed Council that Depot Street has been surveyed and taken care of.

## VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- Regarding the tornado siren Mayor Priest informed Council she has not had time to work on this yet.
- ➤ Regarding abandoned properties the properties discussed were the Anderson, Yerian, and Sanderson properties and the two properties on Grace Lane. Solicitor Beery said for Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans to send him the addresses and he would send out the first round of letters.

➤ Regarding the grocery store – Mayor Priest stated she is working with attorney Thomas Merry from Chase Bank. According to Mr. Merry, Christina DeBold's attorney did not file the necessary paperwork for bankruptcy so therefore, the property is still in her name. According to the attorney, the first step is for her to agree to sell the property. If Mrs. DeBold does not sell, Chase Bank will foreclose and arrange for the property to be cleaned out and sold at a bank sale. Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans said that since the property is still in Mrs. DeBold's name, we can now declare it a nuisance property. After discussion, Council instructed Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans to send the nuisance paperwork that will result in a \$1000 fine if the property is not cleaned. Mayor Priest stated we are basically now waiting to see what Christina DeBold is going to do.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

> None currently

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

➤ Richard Tolle moved, and Joel Morris seconded to adjourn at 6:56 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.