

*Chris Runyon moved and Richard Tolle seconded to grant an easement to Mr. Lightner to allow the older trailer located at 136 B Brown Street to remain in its current location. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Randy Farra and Mrs. Kim Farra approached Council regarding the small piece of land the Village owns adjacent to their property. Mayor Shawn Priest said after speaking with Solicitor Beery, the village has three options with this piece of land that runs adjacent to Brandi and Josh Tolle, Randy and Kim Farra and Mason Fence. 1) The Village can sell the land and advertise for bids. 2) The Village can vacate the alley and give the land to the three property owners and split the cost of recording and surveying. 3) The Village can give a permanent easement. After discussion, Council decided on the following:

*Kenny Worley moved and Chris Runyon seconded to vacate the alley and split the cost of recording and surveying (between Josh and Brandi Tolle, Randy and Kim Farra, and Mason Fence). Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

III. LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 20-05

A RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE PLAT OF THE VILLAGE IN-LOTS 14 AND 16

*Kenny Worley moved and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Resolution No. 20-05. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-06

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2021 TAX BUDGET

*John Michael moved and Rita Smith-Daulton seconded to approve Resolution No. 20-06. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-03

APPROVAL AND GRANTING TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO, APPLY, MAINTAIN AND REPAIR STANDARD LONGITUDINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND ERECT REGULATORY AND WARNNG SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE VILLAGE CORPORATION LIMITS.

*Blythe Pelham moved and Kenny Worley seconded to suspend the three reading rule. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion passed.

*Kenny Worley moved and Blythe Pelham seconded to approve Ordinance No. 20-03. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None at this time.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of June 2020, there were 402 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-152 regular, 11 overtime; Officer Stephens-150 regular, 19.25 overtime; Officer Dawson-152 regular, 11 overtime, Officer Thompson – 40 regular, 0 overtime, Officer Wynn-146.25 regular, 56.50 overtime. There was 1 Traffic Crash Report, and 17 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 4, Traffic Citations - 30, and Warning Citations - 3. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 1,069 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer – 51 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 921 miles driven. Repairs: \$0 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- The Police Department has 105 active case reports.
The departments total reports received for the month of June 2020 were 17 reports, a decrease of 1 report from June 2019.

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- Informed Council the Village has had 27 residents use the Credit Card pay for the month of July so far.

Report of Utility/Streets Department:

- No Administrators Report submitted.

Report of Regional Income Tax Association (RITA):

- Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans reported that \$34,851.78 was collected for the month of June 2020.

Report of Mayor Shawn C. Priest:

- There is a petition on the floor from the Thackstons to vacate or not vacate Cheryl Street.
*Blythe Pelham moved and Chris Runyon seconded to not vacate Cheryl Street and to keep it open. Roll call vote 5-1 with Richard Tolle abstaining. Motion passed.
- The Village needs to appoint a representative for the Highland County North Joint Fire and Ambulance District Board. Mayor Priest suggested Dan Ridgeway (who has represented the Village for several years).
*John Michael moved and Kenny Worley seconded to appoint Dan Ridgeway to the HCNJF&AD. Roll call 6-0. Motion carried
- The Village needs to hire a full-time position for the Police Department. Councilman Chris Runyon stated he feels we need to hire someone local and we currently have an officer that can fill that position. Chief Nolley said there are two candidates that were hired within a month of each other and we have one candidate ready to go and the other candidate that still needs a lot of training. Councilman Runyon said he feels Chief Nolley has the authority to hire his own employee.
- Mayor Priest informed the Village we could potentially receive \$36,000 in Cares Act funds. However, not a cut and dry list of what the money can be used for is available. Mayor stated we will check and see if we can just take a part of the money or if we would need to take it all.
- Mayor Priest stated the Fiscal Officer is in need of a new Lap Top. The old Lap Top was purchased in 2013 and is not working properly. The Dell Lap Top that was provided by the UAN will not allow the program needed to play the minutes to be downloaded.
*Kenny Worley moved and Chris Runyon seconded allow the Fiscal Officer to purchase a new Lap Top with a \$400 cap. Roll call vote 5-0. (Councilman Richard Tolle had to leave the meeting) Motion carried.
- Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans is creating a “New Resident Packet” that will contain pertinent information for new residents when they move into the Village.

- The new Police SUV made it to the shop. The 2005 cruiser will be rotated out and it's not worth a lot. Therefore, Mayor Priest suggested we give the SUV to the Village of Highland. In addition, we will include the light bar and radar since they cannot be used on any other cruiser.
*Kenny Worley moved and Chris Runyon seconded to donate the 2005 SUV to the Village of Highland with the light bar and radar. Roll call vote 5-0.
Motion carried.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- Tornado Siren – located on the roof of the village building is in bad shape. Councilman Kenny Worley said he talked to Kay Simmons and if we replace the siren, she would allow us to put it back in the current location. Mayor Priest said she would discuss this with Fire Chief Kenny Stevens to see if the Fire Department would be willing to contribute towards replacing the siren.
- Utility Police – Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans said this was tabled until after the Audit to see what they recommend.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Councilman Chris Runyon recommended that on committee meeting day each committee meet no longer than thirty minutes. Also, if the Committee Chair can text each Committee Member the topics of the meeting, they could research the topic and be prepared for the meeting.
- Councilman Kenny Worley said he believes some of the village equipment for the utilities department needs repaired. In addition, Councilman Worley wanted to recognize Morgan Wiget (summer helper) for her hard work.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Blythe Pelham moved and John Michael seconded to adjourn at 8:22 PM. Roll call vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned.