

Council Meeting 8/14/24

Called to order by Bob Coppola 6:30 pm

Roll Call – Don D’Onofrio, Joe Donatelli, Keith McCaughtry, Ryan McNicholas, Ron Rotunno, Bob Coppola (Absent Mayor Iudiciani)

Excuse Solicitor and Mayor, Coppola acting Mayor by McCaughtry 2nd McNicholas

Roll Call – all yes

Minutes from previous meeting – Motion to Suspend the reading by McCaughtry 2nd D’Onofrio

Roll Call – all yes

Claims be sent to claims committee for approval Moved by Donatelli 2nd Rotunno

Roll Call – all yes

Claims approved & sent to Pay ordinance Motion by D’Onofrio 2nd Rotunno

Roll Call – all yes

Correspondence read by Fiscal Officer

Motion to go out of regular order for public request by Coppola for Engineer report & appointment of Jeradd Sternthal to the fire dept. – Moved by D’Onofrio 2nd Rotunno

Roll Call – all yes

Engineer Report

- OEPA Task #1 Create Map of existing sanitary & storm water plant
- North Side Fire Station
- Resurfacing projects
- \$19,400.00 (design)

Atty Lanzo arrived during Engineer Report

Public Comments – Shelly Durbin and Son 237 W Walnut St.

- Vehicle hit by police car on 8/12/24
- She has not opened claim on her insurance
- Our adjuster informed her that since she carries collision w/ rental car insurance they need to file a claim under their insurance - Shelly does not want to do that.
- Our administrator spoke with insurance co. & was told since they have collision we pay the deductible.
- Shelly has concerns of her insurance increasing due to no fault of theirs.
- Solicitor explained this is typical of insurance co. and the insurance companies handle in arbitration.
- Shelly wants recourse from the Village since she now has to purchase a new vehicle.
- Coppola suggest to follow what insurance companies are saying for now and see what happens.

Motion to accept appointment of Jeradd Sternthal for Fire Dept. by McCaughtry 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Sworn in by Bob Coppola of Jeradd Sternthal to Fire Dept.

Motion to return to regular order of business by McCaughtry 2nd McNicholas

Roll Call – all yes

Committee Reports:

Improvements – Rotunno – wants to have improvements meeting

- Joann spoke with Eastgate regarding \$936,000.00 – can use part of it (our share) for the pavilion, still working on it. They will pave parking lot and do up to the intermediate course on the road cause more road work to do. And will go from there with the rest of scope of work. Like picnic tables, playground equipment, trash cans, signs, etc.

Safety – McCaughtry Nothing to report

Utilities – McNicholas

- Water Rates – doing rate comparison of other communities

Claims – D’Onofrio – nothing to report

- Per Coppola – Durbin family – already addressed earlier in public comments
- Joann – gas line hit while crew mowing grass – not sure if claim will be needed

Finance – Donatelli

- Received O&M check from Republic
- Generator – Possible to Rent to Own? Will they do that?

Ordinance – Coppola – nothing to report but would like to have ordinance meeting

Executive Session for personnel & finance. Invite: Council, Solicitor, Chief of Police, Fiscal Officer, Village Administrator, Moved by Rotunno 2nd McCaughtry

Roll Call – all yes

Return to regular session and regular order of business – Moved by Donatelli 2nd Rotunno

Roll Call – all yes

Solicitor report – Atty. Lanzo

- Estate open for Townsend Cutting Edge Tree Service – Pay outstanding invoice to LLC and send to estate attorney.

Mayor Report – Acting Mayor Coppola (Mayor absent)

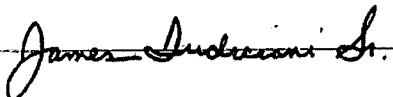
- Mayor requested finance be discussed

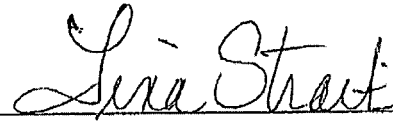
- Donatelli suggest that we pause some of the work that is scheduled to be done, if able
- Legislation – Fire Dept – Request Resolution

Res. 4127

A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS AS PART OF THE
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FOR THE OHIO AMBULANCE
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village of Lowellville Ohio applied for and has been approved as a recipient of the Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program funding through the Ohio Office of Budget and Management (OBM); and
WHEREAS, the Village of Lowellville Ohio desires to use these funds as applied in the attachment hereto
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the Village of Lowellville, Ohio;
SECTION 1. That Council hereby authorizes the acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$10,495.00 through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program, and execution of any agreements necessary to receive any awarded funds.
SECTION 2. That Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committee that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with law.
SECTION 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is necessary to authorize the acceptance of funds in a timely manner, wherefore this resolution shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.


MAYOR


Village Fiscal Officer

- American Ambulance Transportation Grant awarded

- \$10,459.00 awarded
- Legislation read by McNicholas

Move of suspension on the rules for Resolution by D'Onofrio 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Move on passage by D'Onofrio 2nd McNicholas

Roll Call – all yes

Email from Chief Boggia – Civil Liberties request for adoption – Atty. Lanzo explained that council must read and discuss. If they want to move forward then they need to request resolution.

Pay Ordinance Motion to Suspend of the rule by McCaughtry 2nd McNicholas

Roll Call – all yes

Move on Passage by McCaughtry 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Joann request authorization to enter into contract with MS Consultants to start Task 1 for \$9500.00 (WWTP) OEPA Findings & Orders – Moved by McCaughtry 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Joann request approval to enter into contract with MS Consultants for the design of roads previous approved. Motion by McCaughtry 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Joann request “official” approval of \$14,000.00 moved from fire account (previous approved by email by council) Moved Rotunno 2nd Donatelli

- Joann explained that it was used for Fire Dept. Capitol, the design of the new North Side Fire Station. Approval of transfer of funds from Fire Dept account to pay for Fire Dept Engineering.

Roll Call – all yes

Crescendo Club request donation for ad

- Motion to do same as last year by McCaughtry 2nd McNicholas
- After meeting – I looked up in computer – it was \$75.00 for ½ page ad in 2023

Roll Call – all yes

Old Business – Nothing at this time

New Business

- McCaughtry – Sister in law started Foundation in nephews name for and is interested in having a Duck Race. Will let us know of date in the future.

Public Request – none

Fiscal Officer request approval of monies moved, advanced, etc. Copies provided to all council members.

- Moved by Donatelli for approval 2nd McCaughtry

Roll call – all yes

D’Onofrio – when does damaged guardrail get repaired?

- It does need to be addressed per Council and will look into

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel & legal moved by D’Onofrio 2nd McNicholas

Roll Call – all yes (McCaughtry left during executive session)

Return to regular session – Moved by D’Onofrio 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Motion made to have Village Administrator & Zoning Inspector inspect Stouffer resident after demolition is complete to release check. Moved by Rotunno 2nd Donatelli

Roll Call – all yes

Reminder made that everyone must do the fraud training and hand in certificate by D’Onofrio

Motion made to adjourn meeting – Moved by Donatelli 2nd D’Onofrio

Roll Call – all yes