

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes

January 18, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Call to Order by Mayor Clark at 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - Tammy Meyer, Nina Schroeder, Marty Hura, Scott Weaver, Heather Paisley

- ❖ Motion to excuse Chuck Peterson made by Tammy. Second by Scott. All ayes.

Others – Mayor Linda Clark, Solicitor Michele Stuck, Fiscal Officer Teresa Criblez, Police Chief Joe Urso (via Zoom), Village Administrator Maryann Fabian (via Zoom), Gene Arters from CT Consultants (via Zoom).

Citizens – Dave Pifer, Marty Fergus, Cookie Vanek, Stacy Turner

Mayors Report:

- Mayor Clark contacted Charlie English to come to the council meeting. He wants to wait until the COVID calms down. She will reach out again and ask if he would like to zoom in to do his presentation next month or wait.
- Special Event forms Girls slow pitch- 4-1-2022 thru 7-15-2022 and 2022 Headwaters Trail Adventure Race 7-08-2022 and 7-09-2022.
 - Motion to approve both special event forms was made by Tammy. Second by Scott. All ayes.
- Mayor Clark met with Dan Tillett regarding the Target of Opportunity funding (this is an arm of CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds) for the East side of Main St. It will be in two phases. Phase 1 would be the facade, grant application due July. Phase 2 would be the sidewalk ADA which would be CDBG funding due April. Dan will need letters of support for both. Mayor Clark requested for cost estimates for both separately. Target of Opportunity has a 25% match, usually CDBG is 0% match, but were verifying that.

On the parking lot Dan, and the business owners, would go for NDS revolving load funds from the commissioners. Mayor Clark reached out to Christina from Jobs and Commerce (ODOT funds) to see if they might be eligible for that funding. Christina needs more info.

❖ HB168, the County received 100% funding to do the Interconnect from Shalersville to the Mantua water plant. So, our needs list should be reduced by that approximately 200K. Tia is working on the annual report on how much has been spent in the Village. Once she's done, we'll meet and go over the figures.

❖ Mayor Clark clarified a couple of budget issues. Mayor Clark supports seriously watching the budget, but wanted to explain a couple of things that were stated at finance. In Oct 2020 the financial report showed we had 1.6 mill in roll over money. There is no rollover money during the year, those dollars are revenues. On Dec 31, 2020, we showed \$1,486,397.29 this was rollover funds. But, remember that the Village entered into the agreement with the County effective Jan 4 2021. So, any and all funds left in the Enterprise funds (Water/Sewer) had to be paid to the County. On 1/27/21 the clerk wrote a check to the County for those Enterprise funds in the amount of \$328,079.91. Thus, reducing our 2020 rollover to \$1,158,317.38. So, when people say that we overspent 200K that is not accurate. The rollover for Dec 31, 2021 was \$1,244,075.57. So, while the Village needs to watch our funds closely, were not in bad shape for only receiving 90% of our usual revenues. Mayor Clark is still working on finding out why our License tax have been so reduced.

❖ Tammy and Mayor Clark are meeting with Cathy Rice from Love Insurance to go over our coverage and decide if we need to get quotes.

- ❖ On January 25, 2022 there will be a presentation from the Sherriff Department on centralized police in Portage County.

Financial Reports:

Teresa went over the financial Reports

- ❖ Scott motioned to accept financial reports. Second by Tammy. All ayes.

Correspondence: none

Minutes:

December 21, 2021

Tammy wanted the “type here” taken out, and a capital letter for the word mayor, when used as a name capitalized.

- ❖ Motion to approve minutes from December 21, 2021 by Heather. Scott second. All ayes.

January 4, 2022 minutes

- ❖ Motion to approve minutes from January 4, 2022 by Tammy. Second by Marty. All ayes.

Legislation:

ORD. 2021-62 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA, AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION ON MAY 3, 2022, A PROPOSED TAX ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 173.012 OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA CODIFIED ORDINANCES, "PURPOSES TAX; RATE", SO AS TO INCREASE THE RATE OF TAXATION ON INCOME FROM ONE AND ONE-HALF PER-CENT (1.5%) TO TWO PER-CENT (2%), THE ADDITIONAL ONE-HALF PER-CENT TO BE USED ONLY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES. 2nd reading

- ❖ Motion to suspend the rules for ordinance 2021-62 motioned by Scott. Second by Marty. All ayes.
- ❖ Motion to approve ordinance 2021-62 motioned by Tammy. Second by Scott. All ayes.

ORD. 2021-63 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AND AUTHORIZING THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO PLACE UPON THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA BALLOT AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION OF MAY 3, 2022, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER ORDINANCE 2021-62, INCREASING THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA INCOME TAX TO TWO PER CENT (2%), SHALL BE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.04 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 2nd reading

- ❖ Scott motioned to suspend the rules for ordinance 2021-63. Marty second. All ayes.
- ❖ Scott motioned to approve ordinance 2021-63. Marty second. All ayes.

ORD. 2022-01 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 523 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA, REPLATING TO CURFEWS FOR MINORS. 1st reading. Tammy has issues because she believes we do not need to have anything on the books. Marty felt that it is better to have an ordinance on the books, before we need one. More discussion will be at the next council meeting.

ORD. 2022-02 A RESOLUTION AUTORIZING MAYOR CLARK TO EXECUTE A RESPONSE FORM INDICATING THIS COUNCIL’S APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CLEAN WATER PLAN FOR THE MANTUA FACILITIES PLANNING AREA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st reading.

- ❖ Motion to suspend the rules for ordinance 2022-02 motioned by Heather. Second by Scott. All ayes.
- ❖ Scott motioned to approve ordinance 2022-02. Marty second. All ayes.

ORD. 2022-03 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA, OHIO TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ORIGINALLY ACQUIRED, BY INTERNET AUCTION FOR THE YEAR 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st reading.

- ❖ Scott motioned to suspend the rules of ordinance 2022-03. Tammy second. All ayes.
- ❖ Tammy motioned to approve ordinance 2022-03. Scott second. All ayes.

ORD. 2022-04 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 159 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA AND DISSOLVING THE MANTUA VILLAGE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION. 1st reading.

Mayor Clark spoke with Dan Tillett and he was under the impression that since having a historic district that the property owners didn't need to register their property. Mayor Clark explained that a building being on the National Registry and joining the CLG are two different things. The Landmark Commission sent Mayor Clark an email over the weekend on what they would like to accomplish. Mayor Clark will forward this email to council to review for next month's council meeting and Mayor Clark believes there should be a public meeting prior to Council, to see what the property owners want. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Department Heads and Village Engineer:

- Police Chief Joe Urso said that at the safety meeting it was voted to have Heather be the Chairperson. They discussed appropriations, the vendors and the SRO report. There was nothing from citizens. Under old business they covered the Covid update, and continued on with the curfew discussion. Employee update is that they lost one dispatcher and hired one dispatcher. The Safety Committee discussed parking issues and citations that are accumulating. The chief received a \$100 donation for the K-9 fund.
 - Scott motioned to accept the K-9 donation. Tammy second. All ayes.
- Village Administrator Maryann Fabian has her report turned in and on file. No questions.
- Village Engineer Gene Arters from C.T. Consultants has his report turned in and on file. Mayor Clark said that she had sent an email to DMRC seeing if they want to pay for the \$2500 grant application to CT Consultants.

Committees:

- Scott Weaver for Service and Planning – Service meeting we discussed the evaluation for the Service Garage and the estimate for the Freightliner repairs. Vern built a bookcase in the office, and the crew has been busy with storm sewers. The Sterling was picked up and sold for twice as much money as expected. Maryann is getting more quotes from engineers for the evaluation of the service garage, and she has sent landscapers for mowing quotes and sent out request for quotes for flowers. Planning we voted John Clark as the chairperson and had the conditional application from Steve Thorn for the agriculture in R2, and we also discussed satellite dishes
- Tammy Meyer said at Finance they went over the financial reports and the legislation.
- Marty Hura for Parks and Shade Tree – meetings were cancelled
- Mayor Clark for Cemetery, and Board of Zoning Appeals – Cemetery working on flower quotes, and a new cost structure for the services at the Cemetery, as well as a plan for Spring. BZA did not meet.
- Tammy Meyer attended her first Portage County Regional Planning meeting. Portage County Land Bank came in and discussed building demolition and site revitalization program. Tammy gave the information to Mayor Clark to see if the village could use this. Brownfield mediation program was also discussed. Franklin township is doing medical marijuana amendment, and maybe that is something that Mantua Village wants to do.

- Heather Paisley said for Safety that everything already has been addressed.
- Tammy said that Fire Board only had one issue and they accepted a resignation from someone.

Tammy said that the Service Department should be acknowledged for the hard work in removing the snow from the snowstorm.

Adjournment:

- ❖ Scott motioned to adjourn the meeting. Tammy second. All ayes.
Mayor Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Mayor Linda Clark

Teresa Criblez, Fiscal Officer