

VILLAGE OF EVENDALE, OHIO 10500 Reading Road Finance, Recreation, Service and GHF Minutes February 2, 2021 4:30 pm, Municipal Building

COVID-19 SOCIAL DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE. FACEMASKS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND.

1. Finance

- a. Finance update -Ms. Caracci reported that the Village is off to a great start with Jan tax revenue exceeding that of Jan 2020 which is unexpected. January 2021 tax revenue was \$1,295,162.74 which is \$26,231.28 higher than Jan 2020. Overall the Village shows receipts over expenditures of \$116,296 (rounded) not including TIF accounts.
- b. New Online filing and billing option- Ms. Vaske has set up an online service for filing.
- c. Work from home tax litigation- The department is monitoring the work from home litigation.
- d. Banking and investment strategy update -Star Plus State of Ohio investing program will be shutting down in May and Ms. Caracci will be providing information regarding Star Ohio and RedTree Investments. Mr. Albrinck would like for Redtree to come speak to the committee to review accounts and economic outlook.
- e. Banking contract- This is the last year of our banking contract with Chase. Ms. Caracci stated that they have been responsive with any issues. Chase was ½ of the cost that Fifth Third Bank was charging. Ms. Caracci spoke on the all the work it is to switch to another bank and would like to stay with Chase.
- f. State of Ohio- Audit Year-end financial statement will be completed soon and since we have a bond that we have to be audited every year.
- g. Ordinance- Only one ordinance impacts the Village financially (so far) and that is to transfer \$40,000 from contingency to the Building Maintenance dept to fix the decorative stone wall on the Village grounds that you may have noticed was falling apart.

2. Recreation

- a. Department update Front doors are now open from 10-3.
- b. Winter wonderland display on Glendale Milford has been well received. Sarah Hilton is responsible for executing the light display.
- c. VOE has been asked by Dept of Health to allow the administration of the COVID vaccine at the Recreation Center on a limited "trial" basis. Request was approved and safety protocol will be coordinated with Chief Hauck.
- d. Operation Sunshine Boxes went out to 75 seniors and was well received.
- e. Youth basketball has been going well, everyone is wearing a mask and only 2 people per player allowed to attend.
- f. Phi Lambda Phi has begun meeting on Wednesday night. Masks are worn and door are open.
- g. Pickleball has started up and a clinic was held and 11 new players.

3. Service/Engineering

- a. Tower project is supposed to start Feb 8 but weather may not cooperate.
- b. Crews are out salting the roads and VOE has plenty of salt. Crews worked in tandem to clear I-75.
- c. Cab and chassis of tandem truck has been delivered
- d. 2 trees have come down in the Mill Creek and crews are waiting for warmer temperatures to clear.
- e. Ordinance: Stone wall at the base of the Amphitheatre facing is coming loose and deteriorating. There is an ordinance to reface the concrete wall and new lettering. Cost is \$40,000 to remove the current facing, prep the space and remount lettering. The service department does not have the skill set to complete.
- f. Interstate work is shut down but the electricians are able to work. The work left to be done is all temperature related at above 50*- asphalt and striping.
- g. Aero Hub Phase 2 still waiting for Waterworks
- h. Ordinance- Jobs Ohio- getting industrial sites pad ready so construction plan are needed and fees for Becker
- i. Duke Energy Pipeline
 - i. Supreme Court to hear oral argument starting- March 31
 - ii. Tentative construction timeline. Access to residents will be given but thru traffic will be restricted. Planning still moves forward even thought the Supreme Court won't hear oral argument until March 31.
 - iii. Duke will have a mobile office to handle problems at Cornell and Reed Hartman.
 - iv. Mailing to residents and post cards will be used to inform residences as well as on the VOE website.
- j. Appropriation Ordinance needed Contractor has submitted claims to need additional equipment due to working in the winter. Over \$200,000 additional funds are needed to appropriate.
- k. Mr. Mechley will be able to come back with light duty at the end of February. Mr. Jeffers went through the options. The position could move from a hourly position to salary position. Ms. McDaniel struggles with the perception and believes there are other options. Mr. Albrinck thinks this is the only option because the saving may approximately \$100,000 will cost more and the quality with be inferior. The committee would like more concrete information regarding the price and report back to committee.

4. GHF

a. Mr. Patterson went over the year end financials and ending 2020 with revenue was \$763,000 vs 2019 revenue of \$846,236. GHF is pleased with year-end figures because 2020 had limited programs, no sunflowers and closed due to the pandemic. The GHF is working on 2 capital projects- animal barn and landscaping around bank barn. The committee agrees that the farm does not have to come to council for approval since the landscaping is all softscape. The committee has been made aware of the projects.

5. Other Business

- a. Rezoning of parcel-1st reading
- b. ICRC update- There will be a 2% increase in fee due to 2 members not renewing the contract.
- c. The mayor spoke with Carol Trossett regarding the release the covenants on the former Trossett property Glendale Milford, which would allow for the sale for residential development. It is contemplated that the proceeds from any sale will to go toward the Griffin Nature Preserve fund.
- d. March council meeting will be Zoom
- e. Griffin Nature Preserve committee met with Ground Work Ohio River Valley and will provide a plan
- f. The Evendale Church has a lease to 2024 and the Mayor has told the congregation he would not extend their **c**ontract.
- g. Chief Hauck reported that HCPH has requested the recreation center on Feb 9 and one month later for COVID shot. It will be in the main gym and the flex room for waiting. Evendale is one of the 35 county POD sites. This event is invitation only and run by HC.