

MINUTES
Village of Evendale
Special Council Meeting
October 13, 2020

The Village of Evendale Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Richard Finan at 7:00 pm.

Public Hearing for Text amendment to Part Twelve, Title Four of the Village Codified Ordinances to make various modifications to the Evendale Zoning Code to reflect current practice and correct error. No comments were made. Motion to close public hearing was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Roll call- The following council members were present: Mayor Richard Finan, Council Members: Mr. Puthoff, Mr. Sextro, Ms. Smiley-Robertson, Mr. Schaefer and Ms. McDaniel. Mr. Albrinck was remote and called into meeting. Also present: Police Chief Korte, CFO Cynthia Caracci, Village Law Director Mr. Tim Burke, Director of Administrative Service, David Elmer, Law Director Burke and Village Clerk, Barb Rohs.

A motion to approve the minutes to the previous council meeting was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Mr. Puthoff, Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved.

Reports of Council Committees:

Finance, Recreation, GHF:

Mr. Albrinck reported the tax receipts are down \$530,000 YTD due to COVID and work force reduction. The CARES act will help offset the cost of COVID related expenses. The operation of the fitness center had 2 bids but only one contractor met the requirements of the RFP so the contract will be awarded to FitMees. Recreation center has Drive-Thru Boo event with sign ups happening at center.

Police, Fire, Service, Engineering and CAC:

Ms. Smiley-Robertson reported there are 25 reported COVID cases for VOE. The fire department has deployed one fire firefight for Hurricane Delta to Lake Charles, LA as part of Ohio Task Force One. The police department will be purchasing a police cruiser to replace a cruiser totaled due to accident. The police department will be changing vendors for drug testing. Also, the department is revising medical physicals practices. The police department will be changing records management systems in 2021 which will allow for sharing information between communities and the court system and also to replace the current outdated system. CAC will be hanging juried outdoor photo exhibit. The VOE is applying for a reimbursable grant for the Diesel Mitigation Trust Fund for electric car charging stations. The ordinance on the agenda is to approve applying for the grant.

Mayors Report

The council has a moment of silence was held for the passing of Sue Apking, wife of long-time mayor Don Apking.

The Duke pipeline easement application has been negotiated and will be on future agenda. This easement is from Norwood Hardware to the VOE soccer fields by CAC. The sale price will reflect the repairing of the soccer fields. The VOE will not be receiving any tax levies from the pipeline because VOE does not charge a real estate property tax. Pistol Range update- The Hamilton County commissioners, local mayors and City of Cincinnati agreed the practice police pistol range should be moved from current location. The location of the move has not been agreed. The Griffin Nature Preserve committee is being organized again.

Presentation of ordinances and resolutions:

The mayor presented ORD. # 20-69 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF PART TWELVE, TITLE FOUR, OF THE EVENDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE EVENDALE ZONING CODE TO REFLECT CURRENT PRACTICE AND CORRECT ERRORS IN THE TEXT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Discussion: Mr. Rodney would like to make some changes to the zoning code. This has passed through the planning commission and unanimously recommended passing. Mr. Schaefer does not agree to the sign limitation and would like to have a maximum placed on signage. Also, the setback to 0 feet for temporary sign would put the signage right on the curb. Mr. Rodney reported the maximum area per sign has been addressed since the past experience has shown the past variances have all been approved. The setback will still be at the right away line which is typically 10 feet. Council agreed this will be the first reading.

A motion to read ORD. #20-69 by title only was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-70 ORDINANCE RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF EVENDALE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO EPA LEVEL 2 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION GRANT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED THEREWITH. A motion to read ORD. #20-70 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-70 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-70 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-70 adopted.

The mayor presented ORD. 20-71 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING SUBSECTION 452.03(a)(17) OF THE EVENDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED PARKING IN ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING SPACES. A motion to read ORD. #20-71 by title only was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: Mr. Schaefer commented that when the municipal grounds there should not be a penalty for parking in an area that does not exist at this time. Council agrees that this ordinance is premature. Mayor Finan reported that he foresees the VOE purchasing an electric car. A motion to table this ordinance was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Schaefer and unanimously approved.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-73 ORDINANCE MAKING APPOINTMENT TO VILLAGE OF EVENDALE RECREATION COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-73 by title only was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-73 was made by Mr. Puthoff seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-73 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-73 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-74 ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CARES ACT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-74 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: Ms. Caracci says this represents the funding for reimbursement for expenses for COVID. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-74 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-74 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-74 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-75 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND TO THE COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-75 by title only was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: Mr. Elmer stated the CIC receives \$75,000 to conduct their operations each year and needs an advancement of \$25,000 which will be reflected in the amount asked for in 2021. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-75 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-75 was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-75 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-76 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE OPERATION OF THE EVENDALE RECREATION CENTER'S FITNESS CENTER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-76 by title only was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: There were two bid and FitMees fulfilled all the obligations of the RFP. Mr. Mees addressed council and see opportunities for the recreation center members. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-76 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-76 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-76 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-77 AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF EVENDALE AND DYNAMIC SIGHT PROPERTIES LTD. AND FIRST AND SECOND EXTENSIONS TO SAID CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE THIRD EXTENSION AND AMENDMENT TO SAID CONTRACT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-77 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: Mr. Elmer reported that Kinetic Vision site is planned to be relocated in Phase 2 Aero Hub Blvd. With COVID restrictions and financing, the applicant is asking for a third extension. The footprint of the building will be the same but the interior may look different. The tax abatements are for VOE are still valid. Jobs Ohio tax abatement is not known at this time. The tax abatements do not start until the project is completed. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-77 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-77 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-77 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-78 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-78 by title only was made by Mr. Albrinck, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-78 was made by Mr. Puthoff seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-78 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-78 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented ORD. #20-79 ORDINANCE MAKING A RECLASSIFICATION OF CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES TO THE CARES ACT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD. #20-79 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson seconded by Ms. McDaniel and unanimously approved on roll call. Discussion: This is to purchase the new police cruiser. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of ORD #20-79 was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt ORD #20-79 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #20-79 adopted as an emergency.

The mayor presented RES. #20-05 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. A motion to read RES. #20-05 by title only was made by Ms. Smiley-Robertson, seconded by Ms. McDaniel unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of RES. #20-05 was made by Ms. McDaniel, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt RES. #20-05 was made by Mr. Sextro seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared RES. #20-05 adopted.

The mayor presented RES. # 20-06 RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT AND COMPLIANCE WITH OHIO SB 614. A motion to r . # 20-06by title only was made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and unanimously approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the second and third readings of RES. # 20-06 was made by Mr. Puthoff seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. A motion to adopt RES. # 20-06 was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. Smiley-Robertson and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared RES. # 20-06 adopted.

Other Business:

Ms. McDaniel expressed her gratitude for the support during this difficult time with her mom passing.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Mayor

Attest:

Village Clerk