

December 09, 2021

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7:00pm

Mayor Laurie Green presided over this council meeting. Present for council was Terry Nill, Brian Polen, Angelo Pirolozzi, Mike Burton, Roy Burnham, Jan Slutz. The minutes from the 11-23-21 regular meeting was given to Council. Mayor Green asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. **Minutes of the regular meeting dated 11-23-21 were approved. Motion moved by B. Polen and seconded by A. Pirolozzi to accept 11-23-21 minutes as stated. Roll Call: Nill – yes, Polen – yes, Pirolozzi – yes, Burton – yes, Burnham – yes, J. Slutz - yes. Motion passes.** Mayor Green asked if there were any questions or concerns of the bills. **A motion to pay all bills as presented was made by B. Polen and seconded by R. Burnham. Roll Call: Nill – yes, Polen – yes, Pirolozzi – yes, Burton – yes, Burnham – yes, J. Slutz - yes. Motion passes.**

Correspondence to Council:

11-23-21 Minutes, December Payment Listing Report (12-1 thru 12-9-21), Fund Status Report as of 12-09-21, Mayor Green's Agenda for meeting, Resolution #2021-29, Resolution #2021-30, Ordinance # 06-2021

Open Floor:

Visitors: Members of Mineral City Area Historical Society, Employees of Rural Action, Nikki Moore, Mandy Lake

Discussed the lease on the Huff Run Bldg. A large contingent from Mineral City Area Historical Society and Huff Run was in attendance. Huff Run/Rural Action has occupied the old town hall for over 20 year. Their lease expires Dec. 31, 2021 and the historical society would like use of the building which is the oldest in the village. Councilmember Brian Polen spoke and expressed that the council prematurely voted to terminate the lease with Huff Run. Council members Polen and Pirolozzi both expressed that council had not received all information needed in making a decision at the Nov. 11th regular meeting to terminate the lease. Rural Action submitted the monthly costs for utilities and council inquired with the historical society whether their organization would be able to maintain the expenses if leasing the building. The historical society indicated that they are financially stable and are able to maintain the utilities for the building. The historical society organization indicated that they would like to take possession of the building as soon as possible; as applying for grant funding is essential in having a lease for the building.

Visitors from Rural Action proposed that the village give Rural Action a one year extension on the lease. During that time they would find a new location and vacate the old town hall.

After discussion with solicitor Anderson and all parties involved, the council agreed to draw up two leases for the Huff Run Bldg.

***Motion made by Brian Polen and seconded by Angelo Pirolozzi to issue a lease to Huff Run/Rural Action on a month-to-month basis which will expire on June 30, 2022 and issue a lease to the historical society beginning on July 1, 2022. Roll Call: Terry Nill – No, Brian Polen – Yes, Roy Burnham – No, Angelo Pirolozzi – Yes, Mike Burton – Yes, Jan Slutz – Yes.**

Open Council:

***Motion made by T. Nill and seconded by A. Pirolozzi** to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure **Resolution # 2021-29** to amend the permanent appropriations for year 2021. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor. **Motion made by T. Nill and seconded by B. Polen** to enact said **Resolution # 2021-29** as stated. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

***Motion made by M. Burton and seconded by J. Slutz** to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure **Resolution # 2021-30** providing employment of the village legal counsel for Jan. 1, 2022 – Dec. 31, 2023. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor. **Motion made by B. Polen and seconded by A. Pirolozzi** to enact said **Resolution # 2021-30** as stated. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

***Motion made by A. Pirolozzi and seconded by M. Burton** to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure **Ordinance # 06-2021** to authorize a contract with Zimmerman & Rose as police prosecutor for the village effective Jan. 1, 2022. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor. **Motion made by T. Nill and seconded by B. Polen** to enact said **Ordinance # 06-2021** as stated. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

***Motion made by Angelo Pirolozzi and seconded by Jan Slutz** to approve a \$500 premium pay bonus to four employees using the American Relief Funds. Roll Call as follows: Terry Nill – abstain (daughter is an employee), Mike Burton – yes, Brian Polen – yes, Jan Slutz – yes, Angelo Pirolozzi – yes, Roy Burnham – yes. Employees are: Sam Moore, Carrie Moore, Corey Watkins, Richard Lindsay

Steve Anderson: Heard that village prosecutor Ron Collins is retiring effective Dec. 7, 2021. Anderson will handle any cases thereafter.

***Motion made by Terry Nill and seconded by Brian Polen** to accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Prosecutor Ron Collins effective Dec.7, 2021. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

Mayor Green:

*No Reporting

Fiscal Officer Lute: No Reporting

Old Business: No Reporting

Committee Reports:

Finance – No Reporting

Street – T. Nill & Sam Moore

*Heard that work on the 3rd Street Drain Project is continuing.

*Heard that the part time street employee – Corey Watkins is on a “call as needed” basis for the winter months.

Parks – Brian Polen

*No Reporting

Fire – Sam Moore

*Heard that the Fire Dept. Christmas Party will be Sat. @ 6pm.

*Was informed that the Christmas Auction was a success.

*Agreed to pay 50 percent of the cost for new flooring to be installed in the Fire Dept. Estimated cost is \$15,785.

Library- Terry Nill

*Learned that the library has received rapid COVID test kits for anyone that may need one.

*Heard that Santa will be at the library from 1-3pm on Dec. 18th. Cider and donuts will be served.

*Heard that there will be a karaoke contest at the library from 6-9pm on Dec. 18th. Pizza will be served and the winner will receive a trophy.

Zoning – Terry Nill, Jan Slutz and Inspector Moore

***No Reporting**

Ambulance District – No Reporting

The next meeting will be held on December 23, 2021 at 7:00pm. This meeting will be the reorganizational meeting as well.

A motion to adjourn was made by Angelo Pirolozzi. All council members present were in favor. 8:35pm

Fiscal Officer – Darissa Lute

Mayor – Laurie Green
