

ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
May 10, 2022

The Zoar Village regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Gordon at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call:

David Irwin	Present	Mark Gaynor	Present
Tom Klingaman	Present	Kim Klingaman	Present
Gayle Potelicki	Present	Joe Potelicki	Present

A motion to approve the 4/12/22 regular meeting minutes was made by Gayle and seconded by Tom. Roll Call: All yes.

Gayle voiced concern on the 1st reading for the Zoning Ordinance at the April 12th meeting. She did not hear that a first reading was spoken and feels it is premature for any reading as there have been so many drafts presented that the changes are unclear and confusing. Doug explained there is no harm in the 1st reading. He said a public hearing will be scheduled and the revision will go through as many readings as necessary for clear understanding. Kim wanted clarification on the date of the latest draft asking if it were the draft presented on April 11th. Scott confirmed the latest draft revision is dated April 11th, 2022.

The following bills were presented for signature to be paid in May 2022:

AEP	362.49	Street Lighting
Scott Gordon	150.00	Salary May
Patty Smith	450.00	Salary May
OPERS	108.00	May
Village of Bolivar	504.00	Police Protection April
FIA Card Services	54.32	Copies/Street Supplies
Wex Bank	76.90	Fuel Village Truck
Eddy's Mowing	825.00	Contract April 15-May 15
Municipal Signs	1,233.00	Signs/Traffic Paint

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for May was made by Gayle and seconded by Mark. Roll Call: All yes.

Public Speaks:

Ann Ackerman, Fiscal Officer for Lawrence Township was present to discuss the financing for the purchase of the proposed new Quint Fire Truck. She stated approximately \$570,000 would be financed with a semi-annual payment over a 3.5 year period. Ann said the levy is in effect for this entire financing period so funds will be available and the truck will be paid off prior to the levy going on the ballot for renewal. The BVFD will contribute \$250,000, Lawrence Township, the Village of Zoar, and the Village of Bolivar will also contribute \$250,000 from the capital funds held from the Fire Levy to date. The total cost of the Quint is approximately 1,070,000. Bolivar Fire Department will add \$50,000 to outfit the truck.

Rick Wigfield of the BVFD explained to council the expanded services the purchase of the Quint Fire Truck would bring to the fire protection for the Township and Villages. Besides replacing aged out equipment he stated the 107 foot ladder on this truck will expand the BVFD's ability to reach houses from adjacent streets from 26% to 76%.

Council discussed the purchase of the Quint and David made a motion to suspend the rules and regulations for the ratification of the Lawrence Township Resolution to purchase the Quint. The motion

was seconded by Mark. Roll Call: All yes. Mark made the motion to pass this as an emergency and the motion was seconded by David. Roll Call: All yes.

Jon Elsasser briefed council on the storage of an RV and earth moving equipment on Cherry Hill that is visible from the street. He believes this is a violation of the Zoning Ordinance. Scott deferred the matter to Gayle for the Planning Commission to investigate.

Joe commented the Post Office general area is looking bad with piles of branches and parking lot potholes. Scott said he is working on getting this remedied.

Gail Garbrandt commented on Ordinance 2022-7 asking for confirmation of specific alley closures. Scott explained the closures and said a first reading would be held at tonight's meeting on this Ordinance.

Gail Garbrandt expressed concern over water pooling along Park Street at the Post Office. Scott said the catch basin at the Post Office is scheduled for replacement this year and that this should resolve the pooling.

Fiscal:

Patty said Huntington Bank recovered a \$1,000 deposit error from 2021 for the PEP fund. She will need to do a fund balance adjustment to correct the problem. Patty will also be reducing the Fire Levy appropriations to zero dollars flowing through for the Village as Lawrence Township is receipting and disbursing all Fire Levy collections. Patty stated ARPA reporting is complete.

Street Committee:

David presented a spreadsheet detailing the bids he has received for 2022 paving and said he had to respond to the County Engineers to move forward with the paving. David said the savings through the County are significant and depending on the final bids received back that it looks favorable that the Village will be able to complete the entire proposed list. Newton Asphalt also submitted bids to the Village that were in excess of \$30,000 higher than the county's estimates.

Patty stated the funding is in place for one of the biggest years of paving for the Village, providing the final estimates are in line.

David said all needed signs are ordered as well as the traffic paint. Scott will be picking the items up.

ZCA has ordered the necessary flag hardware David requested.

PEP funds were used to purchase the swing set replacement parts.

David requested that PEP funds support the purchase of two Street Closed Signs from US Safety Gear at a cost of \$290.00. He also requested \$500 for necessary riser replacement for the paving projects which will come out of the Street Fund. Kim made a motion to allow the purchases and it was seconded by Joe. Roll Call: All yes.

David requested council come to an agreement on the detachment of Dover Zoar road. He wishes to pursue the detachment but want confirmation that all of council agrees to detach. All of Council agreed the detachment is necessary. Jon Elsasser will forward to Scott the direct contact information for the representative from the USACE who will either handle the matter or steer the Village in the direction as to who at the USACE would handle this matter. Scott said the cost to the Village could be around \$1600 for the plat and survey to detach. David said he really believes the USACE may already have the survey and plat completed for the levy project. Scott will talk with the representative and see what can be done.

Safety Committee:

None

Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission:

Gayle stated the PC meeting has been re-scheduled for next week.

Cemetery Board:

None.

Solicitor Report:

None.

Mayor's Notes:

USACE continues work on the core samples. If the analysis of the new samples is positive, they will quickly begin the construction.

ARPA funding is complete.

Zoar has met all requirements to be a Tree City for the 27th year—thanks to Mark Welty, chair, Shade Tree Commission.

Tusky Valley School Pay it Forward day was a great success. Scott said approximately 20 kids participated working in two groups around the cemetery and the garden.

Scott and David cleaned up the trees that were destroyed by a driver along SR212. David did attempt to gain restitution from the driver's insurance but found that he did not have insurance. Doug stated in the future that the Village may want to go through the Municipal Court and see if part of the sentence could be to make restitution to the Village for the loss. Scott purchased replacement trees and has donated them to the Village.

Scott reported the Zoar Garden Club donated 2 new very nice cedar picnic tables for the Village. The tables were made by the students at the Buckeye Career Center.

Ordinance 2022-5: An ordinance for a revision of Zoning Ordinance 2020-05. 1st Reading. (no action this meeting)

Resolution 2022-6: Ratification of Lawrence Township Resolution for the Purchase of the Quint Fire Truck. David made a motion to suspend the rules and regulations for the ratification of the Lawrence Township Resolution to purchase the Quint. The motion was seconded by Mark. Roll Call: All yes. Mark made the motion to pass this as an emergency and the motion was seconded by David. Roll Call: All yes. **Resolution passed.**

Ordinance 2022-7: Confirming the Village's unopened alley's Village policy. 1st reading.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joe and seconded by Tom.

Patty Smith, Fiscal Officer

Scott Gordon, Mayor

Date: _____