

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Council

Meeting

GRAPHIC VILLAGE - CINCINNATI, OH

Form 6101

Held

1 May 2023

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

1 MAY 2023

Called to Order:

President Linda Hall called the Village of West Jefferson Council Meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

Council Members: Sam Cahill, Mike Conway, Linda Hall, Richard King, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, and Jennifer Warner.

Quorum Declare: 7 present, 0 absent.

Also attending were: Director of Information Technology, Mark Crosten; Director of Development, Tom Hale; Clerk of Council, Jimmy John Hall; Mayor, Ray Martin; Recreation and Special Events Manager, Shelton Stanley; Acting Chief of Police, Brandon Smith; Assistant Director of Finance, Jackie Tiberio.

Prayer: Howard Wade.

Heavenly Father, thank you again for bringing us here. Watch over us as we make decisions for the Village. Watch over us as we go our separate ways after the meeting. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Pledge: Mr. King.

I (we) pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Agenda:

Motion to Adopt the Agenda moved by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Ms. Warner.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

Motion Carries 7/0/0

Minutes:

Motion to Approve the Minutes the 17 April 2023 Regular Meeting of Council moved by Mr. King and seconded by Ms. Warner.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

Motion Carries 7/0/0

Recognition of Guests:

Mr. Chris Siscoe, Library Director, explained the business of the Hurt/Battelle Memorial Library. There are a lot activities going on at the library. For example, metal detecting day, master gardener program, a coffee program, and many others. Second, the library will have a Summer Reading Program kick-off on June 2nd. Third, there are programs every Friday this summer. Battelle gave a donation to make this possible. Also, there are prizes for all ages for completing the reading program; Legos, and two Kindles for adults. Last year we had 285 people participate and increasing. We are also having a class on calculator basics. Fourth, the Battelle grant, about 135 calculators were purchased and participants will keep them. Lastly, the library will be asking for a levy in November. There is no increase, the same as 2009. We are not asking for an increase because certain tax abated properties are coming off abatement.

Mayor Martin asked if Josh Beasley could be excused as he is at home sick.

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Old Business:

PUBLIC HEARING: Westwood Park.

Madam President Declares the time entering the Public Hearing 7:10P.M.

Are there any to speak for the subject?

Mr. Hale explained this is a continuation of the modification of our current zoning map to bring the current zoning designation for Westwood Park into compliance. This action is meant to place these parcels into the correct classification.

Are there any to speak against the subject?

Mr. Ron Garver asked if there are going to be any apartments built in this district?

Ms. Cahill responded there will not be any apartments built in the park.

Are there any concluding statements?

Madam President Declares the time closing the Public Hearing 7:12P.M.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 23-030, TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REZONE PARCEL #10-01897.000 FROM AN R-2 (RESIDENTIAL) TO P (PARK DISTRICT) CONCERNING WESTWOOD PARK, RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON 8 MARCH 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING: Tidd Funeral Home.

Madam President Declares the time entering the Public Hearing 7:12P.M.

Are there any to speak for the subject?

Mr. Hale explained this is a continuation of the modification of our current zoning map to bring the current zoning designation for Tidd Funeral Home into compliance.

Are there any to speak against the subject?

Ms. Cahill asked are all funeral homes considered PMU's?

Mr. Hale responded we can only speak to this funeral home and this request was made by the Law Director.

(Inaudible 15:40)

Are there any concluding statements?

Madam President Declares the time closing the Public Hearing 7:14P.M.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 23-031, TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REZONE PARCEL #10-00692.002 FROM AN C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO PMU (PLANNED MIXED USE DISTRICT) CONCERNING TIDD FUNERAL HOME, RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON 8 MARCH 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING: National Road Golf Course.

Madam President Declares the time entering the Public Hearing 7:15P.M.

Are there any to speak for the subject?

Mr. Hale explained same as before.

Ms. Cahill asked since these are PMU's can somebody put an apartment on the property?

Mr. Hale explained remember nothing can be done in a planned district without Council approval.

Are there any to speak against the subject?

Are there any concluding statements?

Madam President Declares the time closing the Public Hearing 7:20P.M.

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 23-032, TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REZONE PARCELS # 34-00005.000, 34-00006.000, AND 16-00033.000 FROM AN C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO PMU (PLANNED MIXED USE DISTRICT) CONCERNING NATIONAL ROAD GOLF COURSE, RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON 8 MARCH 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING: Jefferson Local School District.

Madam President Declares the time entering the Public Hearing 7:21P.M.

Are there any to speak for the subject?

Are there any to speak against the subject?

Are there any concluding statements?

Madam President Declares the time closing the Public Hearing 7:22P.M.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 23-033, TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REZONE PARCELS # 10-01900.000, 10-01901.000, AND 16-00025.000 FROM AN PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) TO PMU (PLANNED MIXED USE DISTRICT) CONCERNING JEFFERSON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - GRADE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL, RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON 8 MARCH 2023.

RESOLUTION 23-037, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO USE FUNDS TO PURCHASE A POLICE CRUISER.

Motion to Adopt Resolution 23-037, moved by Mr. King and seconded by Ms. Cahill.

Deliberations: President L. Hall opened Council deliberations.

Mayor Martin was asked about the funding for the police cruisers. The funds are coming out of several funds; Public Service, Mayor's Budget, and Police Budget.

Ms. Cahill summarized Chief Floyd was authorized to order one (1) new police cruiser and the dealership ordered two (2) police cruisers. Now the Police Department has need of two (2) police cruisers to be replaced. Council already approved one (1) new cruiser, the second is available and so is the funding.

Mayor Martin added in the next budget, we will not be asking for a cruiser if we get these two (2). If we do not, then we will be asking in the 2024 Budget.

Ms. Warner asked if there will be a need to purchase a vehicle in the 2024 Budget? Also, what is the total cost, including outfitting?

Mayor Martin responded there will not be a need. The goal is to get all police cruiser under 100,000 miles and replace them at 120,000 miles.

Acting Chief of Police Smith responded to the total cost. The total cost for two (2) cruisers is \$120,000 and we will have a trade in. Currently, there is a verbal agreement over the phone for the trade in.

President Hall asked who does the outfitting?

Acting Chief of Police Smith responded "PARS" does the fitting for the cruisers. One (1) cruiser is being worked on right now.

Ms. Warner asked how many total vehicles will the police have?

Mayor Martin responded we are replacing two (2) and one (1) is leaving. One (1) car is for back up and another for training. So, the total is seven cars and the K-9 car. Lastly, to answer some of your questions, the Acting Chief of Police is working on getting a K-9 officer by the end of the year.

Deliberations: President L. Hall closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

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ABSTAIN: None.

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Committee Reports:

Ms. Cahill explained the Police Committee had a meeting recently to go over Resolution 23-037.

Department Reports:

Report for Mayor – Mayor Martin reported the Girl Scouts of America planted over 1,000 trees in the Village. Governor DeWine, Senator Hackett and the Madison County Sherriff were also with them. Second, the Chamber of Commerce gave another tour of Medline ahead of their grand opening in June. Medline also offered a tour to any member of Council. Third, we are still in communications with Norfolk Southern Railroad, PUCO, Senator JD Vance, Senator Brown, and Representative Carey. Representatives from PUCO asked the Village to remove the word 'critical' from the vocabulary about the viaduct. The reason was Norfolk Southern Railroad has a good record of inspections. The Mayor asked if that good record of inspects includes East Palestine OH, Queensland OH, and Springfield Oh tracks? Fourth, we all need to remember that the corner of Kirkwood and Park Dale is a school zone and our concern is for the children. We will have background checks to try to get crossing guards. Lastly, the Police Department's simulator has a new screen.

Report for Director of Public Service – Mr. Mitchell reported Westwood Park rubber installation starts 3 May 2023. Second, the Westchester subdivision reconstruction projects remains on schedule. However, inclement weather could slow progress. Third, the paving program sidewalks are about 85% complete, the storm sewers should be finished this week, and the fire hydrants are relocated and valves replaced. Fourth, the Walker Way extension work will start later this week. Fifth, there was a large water main break on Saturday, 29 April 2023. This caused RT 29 closure and lower pressure in the Industrial Park area. Lastly, work has started on the clarifier replacement at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Report for Recreation and Special Events Manager – Mr. Stanley reported on the Summer Pool Season pool passes and reference a flyer sent out with upcoming activities.

Report for Director of Finance – Ms. Jackie Timberio reported for the Director of Finance and explained the auditors have begun. We are busy with them. The tax season is done but we are still processing. We had one (1) revenue item over \$10,000.00; the City of London for \$33,750.00 and the total receipts were 86 for \$387,519.65. We had several payment items over \$10,000.00; Duke Reality for the 1st half TIF distribution for \$53,040.42 and MNJ Technologies Direct for a software platform for \$12,250.00. The total payment receipts were 93 for \$210,339.55.

Report for Chief of Police – Acting Chief Smith reported over the last two (2) weeks we had more patrols and focuses on the safety of children. The second week there were 12 citations given out. The total stops made during that period was 19. The officers are still very present at the school in various locations, physically at the crosswalks and the cruiser is nearby. The overall traffic stops over the last two (2) weeks is 125 and 74 resulted in citations. Lastly, our training has resulted in have a fully functioning department.

Report for Director of Development – Mr. Hale reported inspection are on pace to exceed the first quarter by 30% to 35%. We started s subdivision in Mt. Sterling and Plain City. In about two (2) weeks our software will allow all our business to be online. We are in the training process right now.

Report for Director of Information Technology – nothing to report.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: none.

Additional Business: none.

Pay the Bills:

Motion to Pay the Bills moved by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Ms. Warner.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

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Motion to Approve "Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00. None.

Executive Session: to consider certain personnel matters concerning the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official (*The Ohio Open Meeting Act, Chapter Nine, Topic One*).

Motion to Enter into Executive Session to consider certain personnel matters concerning the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official (*The Ohio Open Meeting Act, Chapter Nine, Topic One*) moved by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Mr. King.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

Motion Carries 7/0/0

Motion to Come out of Executive Session moved by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Mrs. Cahill at 8:57 P.M.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

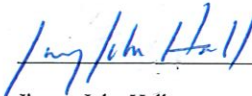
Motion Carries 7/0/0

Adjourn:

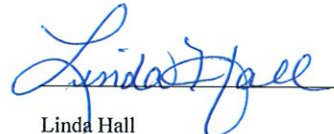
Motion to Adjourn at 8:58 P.M. moved by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Patterson.

VOTE YEA: Cahill, Conway, L. Hall, King, Patterson, Wade, and Warner.
VOTE NAY: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

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Jimmy John Hall
Clerk of Council



Linda Hall
President of Council

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