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Meeting

BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

Form 6101

Held June 1, 2020

MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Steven Johnston

Council Members Present: Steven Johnston, Howard Wade, Jennifer Warner, Richard King, Linda Hall, Jeff Patterson, and Mike Conway. Also attending were Mayor, Ray Martin, Clerk of Council, Debbie DiLeo, Public Service Director, John Mitchell, Chief of Police, Chris Floyd, Director of Building, Planning and Zoning, Tom Hale, Finance Director, Rebecca Arnott and Parks and Recreation Director, Marci Darlington.

Council Members absent: None

Prayer: Ms. Hall

Motion to adopt the agenda by Ms. Warner and seconded by Ms. Hall

Roll Call: All Yeas

Motion carries 7-0

Motion to adopt the Minutes of the May 18, 2020 Council Meeting by Mr. Conway and seconded by Mr. Johnston

Roll Call: All Yeas

Motion carries 7-0

Recognition of Guests: Public participants-Arnie Booth, James Graham, Josephine Birdsell, and Cindy (No last name provided) No participation.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Ordinance 20-040, setting the pool use rates for 2020, and setting a tentative opening date of June 6, 2020, and repealing Ordinance 14-028, passed May 5, 2014, and any ordinance or part of an ordinance in conflict with this ordinance, and declaring an emergency

Discussion: Mr. Johnston explained the recommendation for 2020, (due to the Coronavirus), is to not issue any passes and to lower the daily admission rate. Lengthy discussion entailed regarding rates (including resident and non-resident rates), limiting attendance, and enforcing social distancing. The Mayor and village staff met with the County Health Department last week and he assured council that all recommendations will be followed. He will meet again with employees this Thursday to finalize procedures. Liability issues were also addressed and the Mayor stated it would be impossible to prove where someone contracted the coronavirus. He reiterated that all State and County guidelines would be adhered to. The number of people permitted at the pool will be lowered based on county health guidelines and is being calculated by Tom Hale. Other requirements are staying with the group of people you arrived with and observing social distancing both in and out of the pool. The grass will be marked at six foot intervals. No chairs or tables will be provided, but residents may bring their own seating. Concessions will be limited to pre-packaged items. The Mayor wants to open the pool because the kids need something to do. Mr. Conway thinks the admission rate is too low and is not sure we should open at all. Ms. Warner believes we should keep the rate low because many people have been out of work and may not be able to afford higher prices. Discussion continued about admitting non-residents to the pool, and charging higher rates to non-residents. Mr. Conway suggested a \$4 daily rate and \$2 after 4:00 pm. Ms. Hall suggested children 5 and younger be admitted free with an adult admission. Mr. Conway also thinks we should limit admission to residents only. In closing the discussion it was agreed the proposed legislation should be amended.

Motion to adopt the amended Ordinance 20-040, by Ms. Warner and seconded by Ms. Hall to include the following changes: The daily admission rate will be \$4 and admission after 4:00 pm will be \$2. Children under 5 will be admitted free with a paid adult admission. Only residents of West Jefferson will be admitted to the pool for the 2020 Pool Season.

Roll Call: All Yeas

Motion carries 6-0 (Mr. Wade experienced connectivity issues and was not available for the vote)

Committee Reports:

Finance: Ms. Warner reported the committee met last Friday. Topics of discussion were the pool rates and searching for a Clerk of Council replacement. The committee will present legislation at

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the next meeting to recommend creating the position of Clerk of Council in Training and setting the rate of pay.

Police: None

Employee Benefits: Minutes of the May 15th and May 22nd meetings were presented. Another meeting will be scheduled soon. Four proposed changes are being reviewed by our HR consultant, which include changes to Comp Time.

Public Service: None

Development: None

Parks and Recreation: Mr. Conway will attend the meeting but the Mayor feels this is not a regular committee meeting and does not meet the requirements of a public meeting.

Special Events: None

Director of Finance Report: Ms. Arnott completed 11 activities to receive the \$2,000 BWC discount. We have also received a UAN pandemic credit for the 3rd Quarter UAN fees which amounts to \$1,074.00.

Director of Public Service Report: Waste Management bulk pickup was very heavy today. Mr. Mitchell will check tomorrow to ensure all items have been taken care of. The concrete work on Kirkwood should be completed by Friday. Paving is scheduled to begin on June 8th, but is weather dependent.

Director of Parks and Recreation Report: Ms. Darlington is working on completing requirements to open the pool. Softball will begin on Sunday will follow all guidelines established by the State. She is also working on a plan for a "Virtual Lunch and Learn Program", which will start the week of June 8th. Supplies and meals will be picked up by drive-thru and the program will be presented online. The Baseball Tournament which is scheduled for June 12th and 13th is not village sponsored, but will be allowed if the County Health Department approves the guidelines. The tournament is being run by Stanley. The Chief asked that Marci remind tournament sponsors that all social distancing must be followed and the police will enforce the requirements. Signs will be posted on the fence. Mr. Conway asked who enforces the mask requirement for restaurant staff. The Health Department has jurisdiction over enforcement. Ms. Hall liked the senior banners placed at Garrett Park.

Mayor's Report and Recognition: The Water and Tax Departments will reopen to the public on June 8th. Plexiglass shields have been installed and village employees will wear masks. One resident will be allowed at a time. Baseball and softball have started. The fireworks committee is going through the permitting process. If a permit is issued it will be a no public attendance event. The Mayor commended village employees for doing a great job of observing safe practices. Ms. Hall wondered if people would be allowed in parking lots to watch the fireworks. The Village can't control private lots and will encourage the school to block off their lots. The tentative plan is to move the fireworks to a central location so people can see them from their homes. Converse Park will be closed off, and no congregating will be allowed. Fireworks plans are still in progress and streets may be closed, but nothing is definite yet. Ms. Warner asked the Chief if he had concerns about hosting fireworks during the current political unrest. He does have concerns about enforcing social distancing and keeping people safe with the current riots that are taking place. There was a "No Justice-No Peace" sign posted on the flagpole over the weekend. The Mayor reminded everyone that the Chief has to approve the final permit and London is planning their fireworks for the day before ours.

Recognition of Clerk and Council: Mr. Wade stated the food truck that was located at 29 & 42 would like to come into West Jefferson. Is this a possibility? The Mayor stated, per the Health Department, if a food truck sets up on private property they are to follow the same rules as restaurants. The Village will not allow food trucks on any village property at this time. Mr. Conway asked about the status of the EMS Sign. Panels are on order and next year we may want to budget to retro-fit the sign. Detailed information is not available at this time.

Additional Business: None

Motion to pay the bills by Ms. Hall and seconded by Mr. Conway
Passed by Acclamation of Council

Motion to approve "Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00: None

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Motion to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. by Mr. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Patterson
Passed by Acclamation of Council

Deborah J. DiLeo
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Clerk of Council

Jen Warner
Steven J. Johnston
Acting President of Council
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