
VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 8, 2019

PRESENT:

Elaine Gaither – Council-at-Large

Chris C. Callender – Ward 1

Eloise Hardin – Ward 2

Anthony A. Akins – Ward 3

Patricia Rogers – Ward 4

Candace Williams – Ward 5

Gary Gottschalk-Mayor

James Climer-Law Dept.

Brian Thompson-Finance

Mark Garratt-Police Chief

James Schade-Fire Chief

Tom Haba – Service Director

Dan Marinucci-Chief Building Official

Mark Garratt-Police Chief

ABSENT:

Johnnie Warren-Council President

Crystal Williams-Housing Inspector

Carlean Perez – Recreation Director

Gaither opened the meeting at 7:09p

Pledge of Allegiance recited

Attendance taken

Motion to approve minutes of HRLMC of September 24, 2019 made by Hardin seconded by Williams YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Williams Abstain: Akins, Rogers

Motion to approve minutes of Hardin seconded by Akins YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

Representative, Ken Smalley from Frist Energy: I am the Illuminating Company Representative for your Village. You should have my contact information. If you have issues, please funnel them to me. The storm process is safety. The first response is to take care of downed wires. You might see someone take care of the wire and leave. We deal with the outage once the wires are secured. Critical Facilities make sure hospitals are up, 911, Fire and Police Stations. From there, we deal with the largest outage to the smallest. **Hardin** asked if he is aware of the ongoing problems the Village has had. **Smalley** is not aware. **Haba:** The Cape Cod; Forbes Road area has had outages more than most. **Hardin** asked if some of the homes were moved to another line. **Smalley** will have to research that. **Hardin:** The one transformer is operating better. She asked him to familiarize himself with the area. **Clerk:** At 25983 Garden Road there is a pole in front of our house. The line is taught, which goes to our neighbor's house, the pole is leaning toward the road. **Thompson** asked about more efficient lighting. **Smalley:** Currently we have an experimental tariff which expires at year's end. We proposed a new tariff in Columbus. We are waiting to hear the results of that, but there is more efficient lighting coming out. The prices will be cheaper. Right now, it is \$301.00 per light. There are options. **Garratt:** Auxiliaries patrol and will report light outages. Should that list be sent to you? **Smalley:** Either to me or submitted on a specific form for light poles which are out. I will get the form to you. **Rogers** asked him to come by and see us occasionally.

Departmental Reports

Finance-Thompson: A few pieces of legislation are on the agenda. One is Service, Police and Fire equipment as well as the new phone system. **Hardin** asked about the phones. **Thompson:** This is for approval of the lease deal for equipment and phones.

Fire-Schade had no report. **Rogers:** Asked about the house on Alexander which is burnt. When will it be demolished? **Schade:** I don't know about the removal of the house. **Rogers** asked who is responsible. **Mayor:** It is in Premier's name. I will check into that. **Gaither** mentioned the flowers are beautiful.

Building-Marinucci: Thank you Council for allowing us to hire Robert. The efficiency of the department is rising.

Hardin: As part of your day to day operations, when a new resident comes into the Village do you routinely give out the

new resident packet? **Marinucci:** I don't know but I will make sure that happens. **Hardin:** When someone new comes to the Village, please provide a list of new residents as part of your routine report. **Marinucci:** Ok. **Rogers** asked about his follow up about the house with trash sitting out. **Marinucci:** We waited one day after trash day, but we issued a notification today and a citation will be issued if it is out after trash day next week. I have pictures of it. **Akins** asked if there is an update on the homeowner who is cutting down trees on Tryon behind Jean Drive. **Marinucci:** That is ongoing. I have included Legal on this. **Akins** asked if he sent the homeowner a letter. **Marinucci:** I haven't sent anything and won't until I hear back from Legal. **Gaither:** He had a large truck and a smaller one down that road. **Marinucci** asked if trees were on them. **Gaither:** Yes. **Marinucci:** When we had the issue on Macedonia where a sawmill was running, it was easy to connect the dots that he was running a business out of his home. I am confused on this one. I saw his truck with a trailer on the back of his property. **Gaither** asked about abandoned houses and ramification on them. **Marinucci:** I spoke to Ami, Jim's assistant on that. The houses could be given to the County Landbank. **Gaither** asked Legal. **Climer:** The houses can't be given to the Landbank, they must be in foreclosure. When it goes up for sale, the municipality has the first right of refusal. Right now, we get a notice from the County Prosecutor's office as to whether we want the property or not. We have Ed and Dan look at the property for usefulness to the Village. If it is deemed useful to us, we can take ownership. Stray pieces of property are not useful to the Village. We are also currently looking through our properties to see if adjacent landowners wish to split the property. I will, under recommendation, talk to South Euclid about their program of taking possession of property useful. **Marinucci:** These properties have structures on them. **Climer:** Some are bought and remodeled. **Gaither** mentioned property which has animals going in. **Rogers** mentioned the Garden Road property got a new roof. Is there other work to be performed? **Marinucci:** I didn't read their scope of work. **Rogers:** Didn't you inspect it? **Marinucci:** Yes, but I didn't go inside the house. **Rogers:** The exterior is still quite messy in the backyard. Neighbors are complaining about animals. **Marinucci:** I will call the owner tomorrow. She is in Florida. **Gaither:** Are you able to go inside? **Marinucci:** I have never been inside that house. She will give me permission to go inside. **Hardin** asked him to have Crystal call her about her Ward drive around inspection.

Law-Climer: We have two redevelopment projects which are gaining traction. We have fully signed the Vaccarina agreement. We are in the process of getting the title and environmental work done, at which point we will make the transfer and proceed with the demolition for redevelopment. The Bedford School District agreed, in principle, yesterday as to the terminology. It is similar to Vaccarina which will be on the agenda for the next meeting. **Rogers** asked about it. **Climer:** We would take over the Mt. Zion Parkway property. **Hardin** asked if his counterpart had time to look over the Human Resource Committee request for changing classifications. **Climer:** I don't know if we have redone the classifications, we can have that for the next meeting. **Hardin:** We didn't schedule another meeting until we knew that was done. **Climer** suggested moving forward having a meeting on the 22nd.

Service-Haba: NOPEC gave us a grant which we are using to replace lights to energy efficient lighting in our municipal buildings. **Rogers** thanked him for taking care of the grass on Drake. She asked who owns it. **Haba:** I believe we own that property; I will check to make sure.

Police-Garratt: We have a speed trailer set up on Tryon Road. This is a great tool in depicting target speed areas. We get reports from it; traffic counts, times of the day, etc. We had 5,360 vehicles go down Tryon Road east bound. When vehicles drive within the speed limit, the sign says, "thank you for driving safety". If they exceed the speed limit below 10 mph, it will give the speed you are going. If you go above that, blue and white strobe lights flash with a message. With the screen off, it still gathers data. The average speed on Tryon is 25.7 mph. We are using it in all our residential areas. Tryon Road has the biggest number of speeders. We will use it all over the Village. Also, when Tom is filling potholes it can be towed behind his vehicles displaying an arrow, the Fire Dept. and the Mayor can use it for concerts. The message and criteria can be changed remotely. It is advanced. If someone tries to move it around, it has a GPS and takes pictures 360 degrees. It will then send alerts to us. It is a great deterrent. **Hardin** asked if he programs it or does a company do that? **Garratt:** Five of us went for training; the Captain, me, two officers and Niki. **Akins** mentioned Pettibone has traffic going above the speed limit. **Garratt:** Many areas are affected by the I-271 construction.

Mayor had no report

Open Floor Comments

Pat Malone 22796 Drake asked why there are spots on the ceiling. **Haba:** There was a leak there. The roof was redone a few years ago, we just haven't painted over it. **Malone** asked the Mayor about trees. **Mayor:** We will be getting over 100 trees, many for the farmland within the next three weeks. **Malone** asked if the marquis in front of Village Hall could display Council meeting times. All I see is 'Welcome to Oakwood Village'. **Mayor:** We recognize our businesses. **Malone** mentioned the Police Academy. It is very interesting.

Closed floor

Legislation

2019-63 An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease/purchase agreement with FNB Commercial Leasing for the acquisition of a Vanguard SKAG Lawn Mower for Service Department, a Stryker Heart Monitor for the Fire Department, and a Traffic Speed Alert sign with trailer for the Police Department through the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services, State Purchasing Program and declaring an emergency

Motion to suspend made by Rogers seconded by Callender
YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

Motion to adopt made by Hardin seconded by Rogers
YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

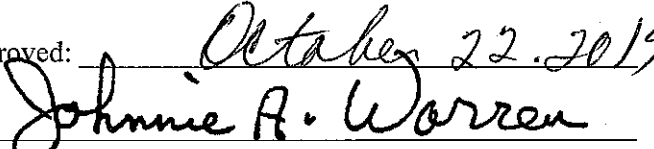
2019-64 An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Lage Landen Public Finance LLC for the lease/purchase of a Cisco Telephone System through the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Service, State Purchasing program and declaring an emergency

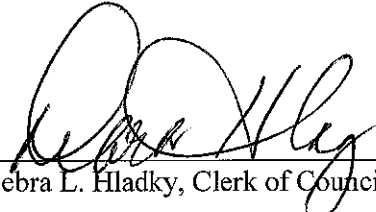
Motion to suspend made by Akins seconded by Hardin
YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

Hardin: Are we purchasing this with a maintenance agreement? **Thompson:** Yes, and we have a support agreement for 10 years. **Hardin** asked about ongoing training. **Thompson:** Each Department had training. There is also a simulator tutorial. **Hardin** asked who the contact person is. **Thompson:** Our IT person. **Gaither:** Does Niki do the follow up? **Thompson:** She assisted internally.

Motion to adopt made by Hardin seconded by Rogers
YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Hardin seconded by Akins
YES: Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Akins, Rogers, Williams

Approved: October 22, 2019

Johnnie Warren, Council President


Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council

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Work Session opened at 8:55p

Adjourned at 9:07pm

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