

EP COUNCIL 3/14/2022 85 N. MARKET ST. 7:00 PM

Mayor Conaway called the meeting to order. Present was Ms. May, Mr. Povenski, Dr. Rocco, Mr. Runnion, Mr. Simpson and Mr. Walker. Also present was Village Manager Mark McTrusty and Clerk Misti Martin. Atty. Powers was on vacation. The minutes of the 2/28/22 regular meeting and Development /Finance Committee meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Runnion. The February 2022 department reports were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Runnion. There was no agenda items, Mayor's report, or Law Directors report.

CLERK: Clerk Misti Martin reminded Council there would be a Development/Finance Committee meeting on March 28 at 6pm to continue discussion on vacant structure legislation.

MANAGER: Manager McTrusty stated the first part of his report was the date present to committee in reference to raising rates in the park, the second part will be the 2022 paving including addressing the predicted cost increases as asphalt is a petroleum product. Last year approximately 13,000 square yards were paved at a cost of \$185,000.00, because we have the final payment due for Park Drive engineering, we are probably only going to be able to pave approximately \$120,000 to \$140,000.00 worth of streets. To add to this there are three small bridges in town that need dealt with that may cause additional cutbacks in the paving plan. The ordinance is before council tonight for a first reading however what actually will get paved will be less than is approved. Additionally, McTrusty stated there is an ordinance before council tonight for the purchase of a new truck for the Street Department. They were approved in last years budget for a truck however trucks with plows are just not available. The truck they are looking at is equivalent to an F550 truck and is approximately 5 tons. This would replace one of our bigger and smaller trucks at the same time. This truck will allow more maneuverability in the alleys and the snow plow that comes with it is 8 ½ ft and extends to 11 ft. This bid price will be going up soon so if this can get locked in it would be helpful for the budget.

STREET: Mr. Walker & Ms. May commended the Street Dept. for a job well done during the snow incidents this winter. Mayor Conaway stated he has been contacted by a few of the residents from the Vineyards as to why the development was not on the list to be paved and that is because the road is not dedicated. He said the Administration has reached out to the original developer and that has not and probably will not go anywhere, he said the road is rough in spots and we are already doing maintenance. Mr. Simpson stated that at this point we have got caught again and the only option is to have the street dedicated and then we can get it on the paving list.

PARK/REC/CEM: Mr. Runnion made a motion to direct the Atty. Powers to draw legislation to increase both pool and rental rates at the park, the motion was seconded by Mr. Simpson. Additionally, Mr. Simpson made a motion to direct Atty. Powers to draw legislation to dedicated the streets in the Vineyards, the motion was seconded by Mr. Runnion. There were no Development/Finance or Utility Committee reports.

SAFETY: Mr. Povenski stated Fire Chief Drabick is having a smooth transition, he meeting with vendors to review pricing and making changes accordingly as well as applying for grants for EMS equipment. Volume at the FD has remained steady, 65 calls in Feb with only one dropped and 124 manhours of training (Fire and EMS). He said Police Chief Brown is optimistic with applicants for new full-time positions; he also said the PD fielded 539 calls in Feb with 102 resulting in reports, 37 were traffic related and the top three calls were suspicious activity, lockouts and disputes. Manager McTrusty added that there are 5 candidates testing for positions within the police department.

THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION

VISITORS: Rick & Karen Gorby, Kent & Darlene Chapman, Bruce Minamy, Matt Dodge, Bennet Bruno, Zach Gorby, Ross McCoy, Robbie Hill, Rich Spratt, Dave Biggins, Mandy Smith, CH

McCutcheon, Steve Baird, Scott Wolfe, Brennen Harvey, Brenda Povenski, Tom Figley, Danielle Garner.

LEGISLATION: Ms. May introduced Ord. 2-2022 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Runnion. **An ordinance authorizing the Village Manager to enter into a contract with Hill International Truck LLC through Sourcewell, an awarded contract provider, as set forth in the attached exhibit A, for the purchase of a 2022 international CV515 chassis with dump bed, salt spreader and snow plow and further authorize the finance of the purchase.** Ms. May introduced Ord. 3-2022 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Runnion. **An ordinance approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as parts of the various component codes of the codified ordinances; providing for the adoption of new matter in the updated and revised codified ordinances; repealing ordinances and resolutions in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency.** Ms. May made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency seconded by Mr. Runnion. Ms. May-y, Mr. Povenski-y, Dr. Rocco-y, Mr. Runnion-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Walker-y. Ms. May called for a vote on Ord. 3-2022. Ms. May-y, Mr. Povenski-y, Dr. Rocco-y, Mr. Runnion-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Walker-y. 6 yes to pass. Ms. May introduced Ord. 4-2022 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Walker. **An ordinance amending section 1060.01 (C) of the Codified Ordinances of the Municipality of East Palestine, Ohio, to permit the possession, use and sale of intoxicating liquor and beer in the Municipal Park in certain circumstances.** Mr. Simpson made a motion to table Ord. 4-2022 until all concerns have been addressed and there is a complete ordinance with corrections, the motion was seconded by Mr. Walker. 3 yes to table (May, Walker, Simpson) 2 opposed (Runnion & Poremski). Ms. May introduced Ord. 5-2022 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Runnion. **An ordinance authorizing the Municipal Manager to advertise for public bids for the construction/paving project, to be known as the 2022 street resurfacing project, and to further award and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder as relates to the contract, pursuant to the specifications and bidding requirements as determined by the Municipal Manager and in compliance with law. (Vine St. from W. North to W. Martin & W. Martin to W. Clark, Thomas St. from W. North to W. Martin & W. Martin to W. Clark, East St from W. North to W. Martin & W. Martin to W. Clark. Sumner St & E. High from Southern terminus at E. Clark to Northern terminus at N. Market St., Adams & Liberty St. from terminus at James St. to terminus at E. High St., S. Forbes from E. Main to Southern terminus, Meadow Lane from N.**

Market to N. Walnut

ADJOURN: Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Simpson. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

MAYOR TRENT CONAWAY