

EP COUNCIL 9/26/22 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, Law Director David Powers, and Clerk Misti Martin. Finance Director Traci Spratt was on vacation. The minutes of 9/12/22 meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Rocco, seconded by Mr. Runnion. There were no monthly reports, agenda items, Clerks, Mayor's, Law Directors, Street, Development/Finance, Utility, or Safety Committee reports.

MANAGER: Manager McTrusty updated Council on the culvert/bridge repair projects stating that the Kossuth Alley is complete, the Adams St. repair is becoming more complex due to washouts on the sides so sandstone walls will be removed and replaced with concrete. The Sumner St culvert is a complex issue, title searches are being performed to see who actually owns the property and MS Consultants are bringing in bridge engineers to gain insight as what repairs can be done, this will likely not be complete by the end of this year. Money from the Sumner St. bridge will be used to make Adams St. does not go over budget. Sumner St. will likely be a new project next year. In reference to the Walking Trail grant project the CJ Long quote was \$138,700 (not \$120,000 as was in his report), as it stands all three paving companies are will to do some of the needed work this year. In ref to Water/WW, around the time Scott Wolfe was hired he and Scott were working to get a temporary reclassification (a plant our size requires a Class 3 license) due to Scott only having a Class 2 license (He is working on getting his Class 3). At the end of last week, he finally received the letter approving Scott's work over the last year as a Class 2 and it is extended until March 13, 2023. Mr. Walker asked if the Adams St. bridge would be open before winter; Manager McTrusty said the majority of work would be done this week with the exception of the paving. There are issues under the existing paving that will now have to be torn out, the plan is get some asphalt down before winter. Resident Terry Keresty asked how many bridges we have in town, McTrusty stated he did not have a definitive number but any span of 10ft or more over water is considered a bridge.

PARK/REC/CEM: Dr. Rocco stated there is a disc golf tournament as well as a craft show sponsored by the Park Board at the park this weekend, Saturday October 1.

THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION

VISITORS: Kent & Darlene Chapman, BZ Inspector CH McCutcheon, Amanda Smith, Ron Caratelli, Dave Biggins, and Tom Figley

LEGISLATION: Ms. May introduced Ord. 18-2022 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Runnion. An ordinance authorizing the Finance director to make supplemental appropriations for the City of East Palestine, Ohio for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and declaring an emergency. Ms. May made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency seconded by Dr. Rocco. 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. 18-2022 Ms. May-y, Mr. Povenski-y, Dr. Rocco-y, Mr. Runnion-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Walker-y. 6 yes to pass. At this point Mr. Simpson made a motion under ORC 121.22 to go into executive session to discuss the Village Manager position, the motion was seconded by Mr. Runnion. Ms. May-y, Mr. Povenski-y, Dr. Rocco-y, Mr. Runnion-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Walker-y. There would be no further business afterwards.

ADJOURN: Mr. Simpson made a motion to return to regular session, seconded by Dr. Rocco. Dr. Rocco then made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor, meeting adjourned.