Village of Wellington Council Meeting Minutes Hans Schneider, Mayor

Council: Gene Hartman, Council President, William Bogan, Mark Bughman, Helen Dronsfield, Keith Rowland and Guy Wells Revised Sept. 3, 2019

Council Chambers August 5, 2019 7:30 PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Schneider called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilman William Bogan – Present

Councilman Mark Bughman – Present

Councilman Keith Rowland – Present

Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield – Present

Councilman Guy Wells – Present

Others Present – Mayor Schneider, Village Manager Dupee, Finance Director Pfeiffer, Law Director Bond, Chief Barfield, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Enterprise Reporter Hawk, Officer Mecklenburg and Argos, MSW Director Arntz, Carol Burke, Madison Schneider, Ayers Ratliff, Mitch Piskur

- **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2019 meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".
- **4. FINANCIAL REPORTS** Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to approve the expenses and pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

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101	General Fund	\$	89,687.00
201	Street CM&R Fund	\$	18,811.41
208	Permissive Vehicle Tax	\$	7,322.50
401	Capital Improvement	\$	4,490.26
501	Water Fund	\$	25,732.45
502	Sewer Fund	\$	13,133.70
503	Electric Fund	\$	46,334.12
	Power Bills	\$	520,676.70
504	Garbage Fund	\$	100.00
505	Cable TV Franchise Fund	\$	20.00
506	Storm Sewer Capital	\$	8,789.37
508	Consumer Deposit Fund	\$	484.26
	Pay 15	\$	119,591.58
	Pay 16	\$	112,524.65
	Total	\$	967,698.00

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider Mayor Schneider announced that this would be the only council meeting in August, and the next meeting would be on Tuesday September 3rd, due to Labor Day.
- Law Director Bond Nothing to report
- Chief Barfield Chief Barfield invited residents to Safety Services National Night Out on Tuesday from 6 PM – 8 PM. Mr. Hartman urged residents to come out and thank the village's safety service individuals for doing an outstanding job.
- Finance Director Pfeiffer Mrs. Pfeiffer mentioned that her report was included ibn the packet and offered to answer any questions. Mayor Schneider congratulated Mrs. Pfeiffer on her recent marriage.
- Village Manager Dupee Mr. Dupee mentioned that his report and those of his department heads were included in the packet and offered to answer any questions. Mr. Bughman had questions regarding parking space length in the central business district along W. Herrick; Mr. Wells suggested adding it to the ordinance agenda for next month's meeting. Mr. Hartman thanked Mr. Dupee for the work he's done, making sure CSX is performing clean up, and street replacement at the Magyar St. RxR crossing, prior to the fair.

- Public Participation Ayers Ratliff was in attendance to sell tickets to the fair breakfast. He thanked councilmembers for their service, and briefly discussed the November election. Mitch Piskur the General Manager from Armstrong Cable was in attendance to discuss their new high speed internet service to business customers in the village. Mr. Piskur answered questions regarding the new services, and general questions pertaining to cable TV and internet.
- Main Street Wellington MSW Director Arntz gave her report which included thanks for volunteers who contributed to the Dog Days of Summer Event, and mentioned the upcoming Scare Crow Contest sponsored by the village. Carol Burke was in attendance as the THRIVE representative, and gave a brief description of the organization. Mr. Dupee announced that THRIVE had pledged funds for a water fill station, which will replace the drinking fountain in front of the Town Hall. Mr. Bughman thanked Scott Markel, Mason Wright, Joe Neuwirth, Don Novotny, Robert and Brandon Aviles, for their help setting up for the Dog Days of Summer event.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting and discussed monthly financials, strong RITA reports, a CIC audit, and two property sales to the CIC which is on the agenda, under ordinance, for tonight's meeting. Motion by Rowland, 2nd by Hartman to hire Ralph Wright, for part time mowing, in the Electric Dept. at \$12.50 per hour, effective August 29th. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".
- Police Mr. Wells reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting and discussed the addition of Officer Mecklenburg's dog Argos, who is a is a drug detection, and a tracking dog. Chief Barfield introduced Officer Mecklenburg and his dog Argos to council. Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Wells to approve the addition of Officer Mecklenburg's canine, Argos, to perform police work within the village, at \$8.55 per hour, 1.5 hours per week, payable to Officer Mecklenburg, for the care and maintenance of Argos. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to accept the resignation of part-time dispatcher Grace Gansor effective July 31st. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".
- Public Works Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting and discussed misc. projects including brush pickup, event set up and removal, water breaks, concrete removal, sanitary sewer cleaning, water plant projects, Northwoods ditch regrading, and Town Hall roof repairs. Motion by Dronsfield, 2nd by Bughman to use \$15,000 from the sidewalk replacement fund to hire Denes Concrete to replace the sidewalk on Magyar St. from the NN Inc. drive to Bennett St. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". Motion by Dronsfield, 2nd by Bughman to raise the curb cut fees from \$300.00 to \$500.00. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".
- Utility Mr. Rowland reported that the committee met prior to council where Mr. Bealer reported business as usual in the Electric Dept. and Mr. Frenk reported on several items including maintenance work at the wastewater treatment plant, and hydrant flushing at the Fairgrounds.
- Ordinance Mr. Bughman reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the lighting/illumination ordinance, and mentioned that they will discuss parking space length in the central business district at the next meeting.
- Personnel Mr. Bogan mentioned that the committee will meet in September to discuss pay scales and succession planning.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ORDINANCE NO. 2019-21

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, MANAGER AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WELLINGTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION FOR THE SALE OF APPROXIMATELY 0.57 ACRES OF LAND ON BARKER STREET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". Motion by Wells, 2nd by Bughman to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-22

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, MANAGER, AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WELLINGTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION FOR THE SALE OF APPROXIMATELY 0.9850 ACRES OF LAND ON SHILOH AVENUE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". Motion by Wells, 2nd by Bughman to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

8. OLD BUSINESS

• Street Improvements – Mr. Hartman mentioned the streets which have been improved this year, including the RxR crossing at Barker St., Magyar St. concrete replacement at the RxR tracks, Brown St. repaving, Jones St./Wenner St. intersection repaving, Courtland St. repaving, Rec. Park drive repaving, and the SR 18 repaving project by ODOT. He thanked Mr. Dupee for following through with the repairs/repaving projects. Mayor Schneider thanked Steve for having a company come in to stripe the SR 18 business district, which saved 4 parking spaces downtown.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- Weed Eating Mr. Bughman thanked Mayor Schneider for going above and beyond, when a
 resident complained about not being able to see at the SW intersection on Jones Rd. and SR
 58. Mayor Schneider personally went to the county's intersection and used his weed eater to
 clear the weeds from around the stop sign and ditch where the resident complained about the
 impaired view. Mayor Schneider was met with applause.
- Flag Pole Mr. Bughman thanked the Electric Dept. employees, Nathan Meyers, Brian Howk, and Dave Bealer for removing the flag pole at the Athletic Field.

10. ADJOURN - Motion by Wells, 2nd by Bughman to adjourn at 8:16 PM