

**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**

Council Chambers

February 18, 2020

7:20 PM

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

2. ROLL CALL

Councilman William Bogan – Present

Council President Gene Hartman – Present

Councilman Mark Bughman – Present

Councilman Keith Rowland – Absent

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, MSW Director Arntz, Mike Schneider, Corp. Adam Smosney, Madison Schneider

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2020 council meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Bughman to approve the expenses and pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes".

101 General Fund	\$	57,310.00
201 Street CM&R Fund	\$	295.00
209 Caring Fund	\$	200.00
401 Capital Improvement Fund	\$	67,039.72
501 Water Fund	\$	12,140.11
502 Sewer Fund	\$	3,536.53
503 Electric Fund	\$	32,282.46
504 Garbage Fund	\$	26,796.90
505 Cable TV Franchise Fund	\$	17,081.69
506 Storm Sewer Capital	\$	2,704.48
508 Consumer Deposit Fund	\$	32.31
Pay 4	\$	103,236.78
Total	\$	322,656.12

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider
- Law Director Bond – Nothing to report
- Chief Barfield – Nothing to report
- Finance Director Pfeiffer – Mrs. Pfeiffer mentioned that her report was included in the packet, and she would be happy to answer any questions.
- Village Manager Dupee – Mr. Dupee mentioned that his report and those of his department heads were included in the packet, and offered to answer questions. Mr. Hartman asked Mr. Dupee to engage the community, and to keep them updated on the quiet zone process, by way of the village website and social media; Mayor Schneider reported that he will mention it in his newsletter also. Ms. Dronsfield and Mr. Bughman had questions regarding the quiet zone; Mr. Dupee answered their questions. Mayor Schneider asked Mr. Dupee to report on the channelization dividers that will be installed at SR 18; Mr. Dupee explained that the channelization dividers that will be installed on Magyar St. and Barker St. are rubberized curbing with the plastic slats, which will be installed in both directions on each street. He reported that the Herrick Ave. crossing will not be rubberized, it will be concrete curbing, 3' wide and 8" tall. The channelization will go 100' from the crossing westbound, and eastbound it will be 60' long, enabling a left hand turn into the drive thru. He reported that after the improvements are completed, he will notify the FRA, and in 21 days, the quiet zone will be put into effect. Mr. Bogan mentioned to Chief Barfield that kids are walking up the hill and over the railroad tracks, instead of walking through the underpass; Chief Barfield will keep an eye out. Mr. Hartman thanked Mr. Dupee and Mr. Frenk for bidding and being awarded the bid (\$25,500), on the used multi-tech equipment from the city of Bowling Green, which will be used to make improvements to the water treatment plant. He mentioned that the village will make updates to the water plant at a fraction of the price of new equipment.
- Public Participation - None
- Main Street Wellington – MSW Director Arntz gave her report and updated council on upcoming events including the Kiwanis Pancake Day on Friday, a free movie - The Princess and the Frog, at the Lindley Center on Sunday, which is part of the Visit Lorain County Mardi Gras program. She mentioned the MSW

First Friday event scheduled for March 6th, Putter the companion dog, and businesses will feature putt-putt golf. She gave her Thrive healthy minute report about beating the winter blahs. Ms. Arntz answered questions from Mr. Bughman and Mr. Wells.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to council and reviewed January finances and RITA reports, and Janie Geis from Wichert Ins. was in attendance to review the 2020 insurance proposal. He mentioned that the Fire Board and the Ambulance Board minutes were included in the packet.
- Police – Mr. Wells mentioned that the committee will meet on March 2nd prior to council. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to accept the resignation of dispatcher Tonya Siebert effective January 28, 2020 and to accept the resignation of part-time patrolman David Duncan effective January 23, 2020. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”.
- Public Works – Ms. Dronsfield mentioned that the committee will meet prior to council on March 2nd. She reported that the Cemetery Spring Cleanup will begin April 1st and all items need to be removed from the graves prior to April 1st. She further reported that items may be placed back on the gravesites after April 8th. Mayor Schneider mentioned that he will add the message to the March Newsletter.
- Utility – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the proposed First Energy project, updates on the generator repair, improvements to be made on the South Reservoir, the estimates for the sludge removal at the waste water treatment plant, and the multi-tech equipment bid award of \$25,500, from the City of Bowling Green, for the water treatment plant updates.
- Ordinance – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee will meet prior to council on March 2nd.
- Personnel – Mr. Bogan reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the proposed tiered pay system, and Mr. Dupee will bring an ordinance to the next council meeting.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS - None

8. OLD BUSINESS - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

Officer of the Year – Chief Barfield recognized Corporal Smosney as the 2019 Officer of the Year. Corporal Smosney was met with applause. Mayor Schneider thanked Corporal Smosney for his 16 years of service to the community.

Coffee with the Mayor – Mayor Schneider announced Coffee with the Mayor on Saturday February 29th at Bread-N-Brew, where safety service leaders will be in attendance.

Pancake Day – Mr. Bughman encouraged residents to go out and support the Kiwanis Pancake Day on Friday.

Congratulations – Mayor Schneider offered 25th Wedding Anniversary congratulations to Keith Rowland and his wife!

Wichert Hand out – Mr. Wells asked anyone interested in reviewing the hand out from Janie at Wichert Ins. stop by and see him after the meeting.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to adjourn at 7:55 PM