

**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

May 18, 2020

7:00 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 – 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, MSW Director Arntz	
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2020 council 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”.

101 General Fund	\$ 37,235.41
205 Police Pension Trust Fund	\$ 1,508.26
401 Capital Improvement	\$ 220.00
501 Water Fund	\$ 6,581.79
502 Sewer Fund	\$ 7,917.43
503 Electric Fund	\$ 10,328.65
506 Storm Sewer Capital	\$ 6,227.96
508 Consumer Deposit Fund	\$ 721.27
Pay 10	\$ 110,151.00
Total	\$ 180,891.77
- 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 offered to answer any questions. Mr. Hartman asked about the possible COVID reimbursement which Mrs. Pfeiffer mentioned in her report; Mrs. Pfeiffer explained that there are possible Police Dept. wages which may be reimbursable, and that she and Mr. Dupee are still pursuing that possibility.
 - Village Manager Dupee – Mr. Dupee mentioned that his report and those of department heads were included in the packet. He reported that the Town Hall would be opening on June 1st, facial coverings are recommended, and visitors should follow the social distancing protocols. He further reported that the gym would be open to walkers only, facial coverings are recommended, and social distancing protocols should be followed. Mr. Wells had a question regarding disposable face mask availability, and whether or not they could be made available to visitors; Mr. Dupee replied yes.
 - Public Participation - None
 - Main Street Wellington – Ms. Arntz reported that they would be planting the flower pots for the CBD on Wednesday May 27th at the Public Works Dept., and asked anyone who would like to volunteer to contact her. She mentioned a Spirit of Wellington Raffle that will take place from June 1st through June 30th, with the drawing scheduled to be held on July 3rd. She reported that the June, 1st Friday event is “Wellington Rocks” and will be a partially live and partially virtual event. She answered a question from Mr. Wells concerning the flower pots.
- 6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**
 - Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the April financials, the RITA collections which are up by 2%, and that they would be monitoring those as they expect May's collections to take a downturn by approximately 25%. Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to suspend disconnection service requirement set forth in chapter 933.03 until June 15, 2020. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”. Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Bogan to waive late fee requirements set forth in chapter 933.02 for utility bills rendered on May 1, 2020. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.
 - Police – Mr. Wells reported that the Police Committee did not meet this evening, however, had a

recommendation from Chief Barfield during the Finance Committee. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to hire Colty Hersh as a part-time patrolman at \$17.85 per hour, effective immediately. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". He mentioned that the committee will meet on June 1st prior to council.

- Public Works – Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee will meet prior to council on June 1st. Ms. Dronsfield asked Mayor Schneider whether or not there would be any Memorial Day ceremonies at the Town Hall; Mayor Schneider stated that there would be a ceremony at the American Legion, however, there would be nothing at the Town Hall this year. Ms. Dronsfield reported that the cemetery employees were working very hard to ready the cemetery for Memorial Day. Mr. Wells thanked the Public Works Dept. for making concrete repairs to Depot St.
- Utility – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the installation of the generator, electric outages, hydrant flushing completion, and SM&E's reservoir spillway report. He mentioned that Mr. Dupee reported that the electric sales were down from last year.
- Ordinance – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee will meet on June 1st prior to council.
- Personnel – Mr. Bogan had nothing to report.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-19

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE WELLINGTON INCOME TAX ORDINANCES, TO REFLECT CHANGES MADE BY THE LEGISLATURE PERTAINING TO TITLE 718 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

2nd Reading

Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Wells to approve the 2nd reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-20

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PURSUANT TO OHIO R.C. 731.23 BY ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

1st Reading

8. OLD BUSINESS - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

Eagles Food Drive – Mr. Bughman thanked all of the volunteers, and the folks who donated to the Eagles Food Drive, for Well Help on Saturday. Mayor Schneider added that the Eagles raised \$13,000.00 for Well Help.

Make a Change – Mr. Wells asked Clerk O'Brien to correct the typo, Quit Zone, to Quiet Zone on page one of the May 4th council minutes.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to adjourn at 7:23 PM