

**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 7/27/20

Council Chambers

July 6, 2020

7:18 PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mr. Hartman 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 – Village Manager Dupee, Finance Director Pfeiffer, Law Director Bond, Chief Barfield, Lt. Poling, Clerk of Council O'Brien, MSW Director Arntz, Madison Schneider, Chronicle Telegram reporter Brookie Madison

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Wells, 2nd by Bogan to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2020 council meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".

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

101 General Fund	\$	71,820.39
208 Permissive Vehicle Tax	\$	8,811.12
401 Capital Improvement	\$	19,950.96
501 Water Fund	\$	36,996.58
502 Sewer Fund	\$	15,817.01
503 Electric Fund	\$	18,443.37
Power Bills	\$	529,018.33
504 Garbage Fund	\$	26,895.85
506 Storm Sewer Capital	\$	1,187.62
508 Consumer Deposit Fund	\$	292.17
Pay 13	\$	127,573.24
Pay 14	\$	119,742.83
Total	\$	976,549.47

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider - Absent
- 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.
- Village Manager Dupee – Mr. Dupee mentioned that his report and those of the Department Heads were included in the packet and offered to answer any questions. Mr. Dupee reported that the Water Dept. and village staff had an excellent response to restoring the water service, after a water break left the village without water on June 20th. He commended employees, and thanked them for their excellent response to the significant water break event. Mr. Hartman mentioned that all departments worked well together and congratulated the staff for a job well done. Ms. Dronsfield agreed, and thanked Rural Water for the mutual aid. Mr. Wells had questions for Mr. Dupee concerning the Quiet Zone; Mr. Dupee reported that CSX had accepted the insurance requirements, and are now ready to schedule the work and a flagger, install the signage, and that he expected to begin the work in July. Mr. Bughman mentioned that there was a loose railroad tie at the Barker St. crossing and asked that Mr. Dupee notify CSX.
- Public Participation - None
- Main Street Wellington – Mrs. Arntz gave her report, and the nutrition tip from THRIVE, 'beat the summer heat'. She mentioned that the First Friday event in August would be called "Color our World in Kindness" and would be making donations for the Helping Hands Pantry.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting and discussed the June financial statement, RITA collections, which are down but would hopefully rebound in August, and discussed the CARES act resolution on tonight's agenda. He mentioned that the Fire Board minutes were included in the packet and noted STAR Builders was awarded the contract for the districts expansion project.
- Police – Mr. Wells reported that the committee met prior to council where Chief Barfield reviewed the

monthly report with the committee. He mentioned that there was also an executive session. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Dronsfield to promote Jeffry Mecklenburg to Sargent at \$29.02 per hour, effective after his swearing in. 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 ongoing projects including crack sealing, hole patching, and chipping brush. Ms. Dronsfield thanked the department for their work at the cemetery, pouring concrete and leveling dirt. She reported that the department is doing street repairs, pouring concrete blocks, and some block leveling has been performed. She mentioned that the crews are working at the Rec. Park, and the Gazebo in front of the Town Hall is being painted.
- Utility – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting. He gave a recap of the June 20th water break; on June 19th the Wellington Fire Dept. responded to a barn fire on Pitts Rd. When the hydrant was closed, it caused a water main break on a 12” main at the reservoir. He thanked Rural Water, for their mutual aid, and providing the village with 185,000 gallons of water. He also thanked the Water Dept. staff who made 1.5 million gallons of water in 37 hours. He mentioned that the OEPA has approved the Ground Storage project, which should begin sometime in the fall.
- Ordinance – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee met prior to council, approved the minutes, and mentioned that there was nothing on the agenda to discuss.
- Personnel – Mr. Bogan mentioned that he would like to have a meeting in August to discuss succession planning.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-21

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 ANNUAL BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

3rd Reading

Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Bogan to move the third reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-23

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FEDERAL “CARES ACT”, AUTHORIZING LAWFUL, EXPENDITURES IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH FUNDS, AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A NEW FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH FUNDS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

1st Reading

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 - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

Thank you – Mr. Bughman thanked all of those who donated to the July 3rd fireworks display. He mentioned that the forecast called for high temperatures this week, and asked residents to keep their animals inside or shaded, and to make sure they are well hydrated.

Meeting in Person – Mr. Hartman expressed his preference to meet in chambers, if allowed, for the August 3rd Committee and Council meetings; Mr. Dupee will review the matter.

One Meeting in August – Ms. Arntz asked if there would only be one meeting in August; Mr. Hartman reported, yes, only one meeting in July and August, unless there was a need for additional meetings.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to adjourn at 7:40 PM