

**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/Teleconference

June 21, 2021

7:26 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, Reporter Hawk, MSW Director Arntz, Fire Chief Wetherbee

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Bogan, 2nd by Bughman to approve the minutes from the June 7, 2021 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	\$	27,814.31
201	Street CM&R Fund	\$	9,827.47
301	SPC Assess Bond Retire	\$	6,013.33
501	Water Fund	\$	81,489.86
502	Sewer Fund	\$	191,999.48
503	Electric Fund	\$	11,089.44
	Power Bills	\$	501,057.53
504	Garbage Fund	\$	29,551.91
505	Cable TV Franchise Fund	\$	27.50
506	Storm Sewer Capital	\$	54,161.96
508	Consumer Deposit Refunds	\$	557.83
	Pay 12	\$	131,812.14
	Total	\$	1,045,402.76

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider
- Law Director Bond – Nothing to report
- Chief Barfield – Chief Barfield reported that the upcoming weekend events would be posted on Facebook, in regard to any disruptions or restrictions.
- Finance Director Pfeiffer – Mrs. Pfeiffer mentioned that her summary was included in the packet and offered to answer any questions.
- Village Manager Dupee – Mr. Dupee mentioned that his report and those of the superintendents were included in the packet and offered to answer any questions. Mr. Dupee updated council on the playground equipment, where the village received funds from the Lorain County Health Dept. for partial playground surfacing improvements at the Rec. Park. He further mentioned that Kiwanis has also committed to donate funds for the installation of the poured in place surfacing improvements.
- Public Participation – Chief Wetherbee reported that there was much planning and sensitive information regarding the rally this weekend. He further reported that the Safety Services will be doing everything that they can to provide a safe event.
- Main Street Wellington – MSW Director Arntz gave her report which included the First Friday event on July 2nd from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. She asked residents to remember to be kind during the event this weekend, and to show the world how gracious and kind the Village of Wellington is. She answered questions from Mayor Schneider regarding the Mexican restaurant, Donny's, and the new Brewery's opening dates. There was some discussion concerning the Netflix filming in July.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the May financials, the RITA collections, which are up 9% from last year, and the Police Department project financing. Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Wells to donate \$2,500 to the Wellington Chamber of Commerce for help financing the July 4th Fireworks. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes". Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to hire Suzanne Baker as Finance Associate at \$18.61 per hour, effective immediately. Roll call vote was taken with all members, except Councilwoman Dronsfield, (who abstained

from voting), voting “yes”.

- Police – Mr. Wells mentioned that the committee met briefly prior to the council meeting, where they discussed upcoming events. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Rowland to revise the employment status of dispatcher Nicole Sklenica from full time to part time, at \$16.54 per hour, effective July 5, 2021. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Rowland to promote dispatcher Amanda Swanson to full time dispatcher at \$16.31 per hour, effective July 3rd, 2021. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.
- Public Works – Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee will meet prior to council on July 6th. She mentioned that the Cemetery Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month where recently they have discussed filling in around, and leveling stones. She mentioned that they have been discussing footers and drainage in the newer sections. Ms. Dronsfield further mentioned that the Cemetery Clerk will be sending minutes to be included in the Council Packets soon.
- Utility – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee will meet prior to council on July 6th.
- Ordinance – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee will meet prior to council on July 6th.
- Personnel – Mr. Bogan reported that the committee met prior to council and heard a presentation from Magis Advisory Group, concerning the possibility of changing employee insurance to the BORMA pool, and compared current insurance packages. He mentioned that there is a resolution on tonight’s agenda for first reading, to withdraw from Lorain County’s insurance. He reported that the employees met with Mr. Dupee and the representative from Magis Advisory Group last week.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-16

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MUTUAL AID CONTRACT WITH THE LORAIN COUNTY SHERIFF, CITY OF AVON, THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, THE CITY OF ELYRIA, THE VILLAGE OF GRAFTON, THE VILLAGE OF KIPTON, THE VILLAGE OF LAGRANGE, THE CITY OF LORAIN, THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, THE CITY OF OBERLIN, THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD LAKE, THE VILLAGE OF SHEFFIELD, THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH AMHERST, THE CITY OF VERMILION, AND THE LORAIN COUNTY METROPARKS TO PROVIDE MUTUAL POLICE ASSISTANCE IN THE INTERCHANGE AND USE OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

3rd Reading

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN REVENUES AND EXPENSES

2nd Reading

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-19

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO PAY ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING, FURNISHING, AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A NEW POLICE STATION, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

1st Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-20

AN ORDINANCE RE-ENACTING SECTION 501.14 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON RELATIVE TO CHRONIC NUISANCE ACTIVITIES

1st Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN REVENUES AND EXPENSES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

1st Reading

Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

Motion by Wells, 2nd by Hartman to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-22

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, OHIO, AT THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 GENERAL ELECTION, THE CHANGES TO THE CHARTER RECOMMENDED BY THE WELLINGTON CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

1st Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A WAIVER, AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE REEMPLOYMENT, OF A RETIRING EMPLOYEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

1st Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-24

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO WITHDRAW FROM THE LORAIN COUNTY JOINT SELF-INSURANCE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS PROGRAM, AS A PARTICIPATING MEMBER, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

1st Reading

8. OLD BUSINESS - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- **Coffee with the Mayor** – Mayor Schneider invited residents to join him at Bread-N-Brew for coffee and conversation on July 3rd from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM.
- Fairgrounds Trump Rally – Mayor Schneider asked residents to be respectful and polite to all, during the Saturday events. He thanked the Safety Services for helping make the event run safely.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Bogan to adjourn at 7:48 PM