

**Village of Wellington
Council Meeting Minutes**

Hans Schneider, Mayor

**Council: Gene Hartman, Council President, Mark Bughman, Helen Dronsfield, Gary Feron,
Keith Rowland and Guy Wells**

Council Chambers

January 18, 2022

7:00 PM

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

2. ROLL CALL

Councilman Mark Bughman – Present

Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield – Present

Councilman Gary Feron – Present

Others Present – Mayor Schneider, Village Manager Greever, Finance Director Pfeiffer, Law Director Bond, Chief Barfield, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Reporter Jason Hawk, MSW V.P. Savage, Mike Schneider, Jerry Vanderground

Council President Gene Hartman – Present

Councilman Keith Rowland – Present

Councilman Guy Wells – Present

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Wells, 2nd by Dronsfield to approve the minutes from the January 3rd organizational meeting and the January 3, 2022 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	\$	64,613.50
201 Street CM&R Fund	\$	63.02
204 Recreation Fund	\$	1,679.72
209 Law Enforcement Fund	\$	89.50
401 Capital Improvement	\$	17,771.25
501 Water Fund	\$	33,631.39
502 Sewer Fund	\$	18,577.21
503 Electric Fund	\$	23,300.64
505 Cable TV Franchise Fund	\$	7,448.43
506 Storm Sewer Capital	\$	708.38
508 Consumer Deposit Refunds	\$	429.09
Pay 1	\$	110,724.02
Total	\$	279,036.15

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. She further mentioned that she will not be at the next council meeting as she will be on vacation.
- Village Manager Greever – Mr. Greever offered to answer any questions regarding staff reports which were included in the packet. He mentioned that he and Mayor Schneider met with Armstrong Cable last week. He answered questions from Mr. Wells regarding property and liability insurance. Mr. Hartman commended Mr. Greever for getting the Police Station bid out quickly, and Mr. Bughman thanked him for getting the VFD situation at the water plant handled as well. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Rowland to accept the bid from Struder-Obringer Inc., including the three alternates included in the bid. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting "yes".
- Public Participation - None
- Main Street Wellington – Anthony Savage MSW V.P. introduced himself and gave their report. He announced that the annual meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, January 25th at 6:30 PM. He mentioned that they had new board members, and encouraged business owners to join or renew their memberships. He reported that the next First Friday event will be held on Feb. 4th. He answered questions from Mr. Wells regarding the Chamber of Commerce disbanding, and the intention of MSW to possibly take over events.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed RITA collections which are down \$10,000, from last year. He mentioned 2022 Charges for Service was discussed and reported that Ambulance Director Skip Gentry had submitted his resignation effective June 1st.

- Police – Mr. Wells reported that the committee met prior to council and discussed the successful Police Station bids. Motion by Wells, 2nd by Dronsfield to accept the resignation of Shawn Kneisel effective December 31, 2021. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”. He mentioned that they discussed the county wide radio integration, which is dependent upon the passage of legislation.
- Public Works – Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee will meet prior to council on Feb. 7th.
- Utility – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee met prior to council, where there was an executive session to discuss employment. He further reported they discussed the immediate need for VFD’s and microprocessor, and mentioned there was an ordinance on tonight’s agenda for the purchase.
- Ordinance – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee will meet prior to council on Feb. 7th.
- Personnel – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee will meet prior to council on Feb. 7th to discuss open positions and succession planning.

7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-55

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 924.01 AND 924.02 TO ADJUST THE RATES FOR STORM SEWER, WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 3rd Reading
Motion by Wells, 2nd by Dronsfield to move the 3rd reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-57

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ANNUAL EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION EVENT 3rd Reading
Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Wells to move the 3rd reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-58

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 140.01 AND 140.05 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON RELATIVE TO AUXILIARY PAY 3rd Reading
Motion by Dronsfield, 2nd by Rowland to move the 3rd reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

AN ORDINANCE REVISING SECTION 4.1 OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL, BY SUBSTITUTING NEW APPENDICES “B” AND “C”, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 2nd Reading
Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to move the 2nd reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-02

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A WAIVER, AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE TEMPORARY REEMPLOYMENT, OF A RETIREING EMPLOYEE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1st Reading

Motion by Rowland, 2nd by Bughman 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 2022-03

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH REXEL USA, INC., FOR THE “DRIVES AND CONTROLS” MODERNIZATION PROJECT TO THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON, WATER FILTRATION PLANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY 1st Reading
Motion by Rowland, 2nd by Bughman 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. 2022-04

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE NEW POLICE STATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 1st Reading
Motion by Wells, 2nd by Dronsfield 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”.

8. OLD BUSINESS – None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- **Cemetery Computer Software** – Motion by Dronsfield, 2nd by Rowland for the Village Council support the Cemetery Board’s new computer system by paying \$1,200 towards the 2022 maintenance contract. Ms. Dronsfield answered questions from Mr. Feron regarding available funds in the Cemetery budget. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.
- **Coffee with the Mayor** – Mayor Schneider invited residents to attend Coffee with the Mayor at Bread-N-Brew on January 29th at 9 AM.
- **Armstrong Cable** – Mayor Schneider reported that Armstrong Cable has announced that they will begin offering residential service within the Village, beginning with 425 homes. They will begin soliciting their

service within the next few weeks.

- **NCW** – Mayor Schneider announced that NCW has invited Council to observe their new technology on Erie St. Feb. 7th at 4 PM.
- **Snow Cleanup** – Mr. Bughman thanked Public Works for the great job plowing snow during the recent snow event. Mr. Wells inquired about the cost of snow removal during a major snow event, as 15 years ago the cost was approximately \$5,000. There was some discussion concerning snow removal.

10. ADJOURN – Motion by Bughman, 2nd by Rowland to adjourn at 7:25 PM