

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 10, 2021

7:00 P.M.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the meeting was held over the internet via Zoom. The public was invited to attend the meeting and a link was available on www.VillageofLodi.com for the public to view the meeting, adhering to Governor DeWine's directive for meetings and social distancing during the emergency pandemic.

Lodi Village Council met on the above date for a Regular Meeting with the following Council Members present: Miller, Mapes, May, Graham, Ridenour, and Jameyson. Also in attendance were Mayor Robert Geissman, Assistant Village Solicitor Alex Quay, Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman, Police Chief Keith Keough, Fire Chief Chris Ridenour, and Utility/Street Superintendent Tracy Haltrich.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Jameyson and seconded by Mapes to approve the minutes of the 4-26-21 regular council meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Jameyson, Mapes, Miller, May, Graham, and Ridenour

NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REQUESTS

MILLER – PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTIES

Discussion was held regarding the need to open the restrooms at Lodi Community Park. Pavilion rentals will also resume. Council Member Ridenour reported that more gravel is needed at pavilion #1. Light bulbs with guards will be placed in pavilions that have light bulb sockets.

MAPES – SAFETY

Mapes had nothing to report at this time.

Police Chief Keough reported that the village did not receive the MCDAC grant for a K-9 vehicle this year.

Fire Chief Ridenour reported that a new sign company has been assigned to purchase the sign funded by the FEMA fire grant.

Fire Chief Ridenour reported that the smaller rescue squad chassis remount project is almost completed and the squad should be back in service in a week or two.

MAY – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION

A motion was made by May and seconded by Miller to waive the \$50 assemblage permit fee for the Mason's annual fall pumpkin sale.

Upon roll call: YEAS: May, Miller, Mapes, Graham, Ridenour, and Jameyson

NAYS: None

A motion was made by May and seconded by Graham to approve the monthly bills.
Upon roll call: YEAS: May, Graham, Miller, Mapes, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

A motion was made by May and seconded by Miller to approve the monthly financial report.
Upon roll call: YEAS: May, Miller, Mapes, Graham, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

GRAHAM - STREETS & SIDEWALKS

Graham reported that she will be meeting with Utility/Street Superintendent Tracy Haltrich soon to discuss potential sidewalk projects.

RIDENOUR – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Ridenour reported that work is currently being done on the inside of the former Hower Building.

Ridenour reported that work is currently being done in the upstairs of the building where City Hardware is located.

Council Member May asked if there was any news regarding the progress of Whitefeather Meats or the newly built restaurant building near the former Jan's Place. Mayor Robert Geissman reported that there is no additional news yet for these two businesses.

Council Member Mapes asked about the O'Rilley's property. Mayor Robert Geissman reported that they have all the permits they need but have not begun building yet.

JAMEYSON – ZONING

Discussion was held regarding an agreed upon remedy to remove tires from a commercial property in the village.

CLERK-TREASURER

Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman reported that a joint meeting needs to be held with the Harrisville Township Trustees to pass legislation to renew the five year joint cemetery levy. It was determined that the trustees will be invited to join the next council meeting for this purpose.

MAYOR GEISSMAN

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the Grimm property purchase agreement has been agreed to and is ready to be signed. The planning commission will be working on subdividing the property in the coming weeks.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the village has been recommended for the \$85,000 PLCI planning grant he applied for. Once the planning is completed the village will then be able to apply for an implementation grant. The village will also be receiving the free EV charging unit through NOACA.

Council Member Miller reported that through all the years she has been a council member she would like to especially thank Mayor Robert Geissman for all of his hard work and for doing a great job, especially getting grants for the village.

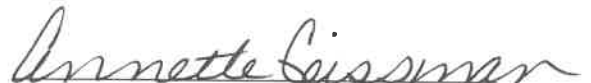
There being nothing further to come before council, a motion was made by Graham and seconded by May to adjourn the meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, May, Miller, Mapes, Ridenour, and Jameyson

NAYS: None



Robert Geissman, Mayor



Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer