

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 14, 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, and Fire Chief Chris Ridenour.

MINUTES

A motion was made by May and seconded by Mapes to approve the minutes of the 5-24-21 Joint Council and Harrisville Township meeting.

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

NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by May to approve the minutes of the 5-24-21 regular council meeting.

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

NAYS: None

LEGISLATION

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 1253 RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT OF THE LODI ZONING CODE. A motion was made by May and seconded by Graham to declare this a first reading of the ordinance.

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

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONAL PROPERTY BY INTERNET AUCTION PURSUANT TO R.C. 721.15(D). A motion was made by Mapes and seconded by May to pass the resolution.

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

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE CLERK TO ADOPT AND ENTER INTO AN INTRACOUNTY MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR POLICE PROTECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, OHIO. A motion was made by Mapes and seconded by May to pass the resolution.

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

NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REQUESTS

MILLER – PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTIES

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by May to waive the \$50 assemblage permit fee for the annual antique peddler's festival.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, May, Mapes, Graham, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to accept a parks donation in the amount of \$520 from Glo Concessions and Otterbachers Concessions.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Graham, Mapes, May, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ridenour to accept a parks donation in the amount of \$23.35 from Kate's Catering Hot Dog Stand.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Ridenour, Mapes, May, Graham, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

Miller reported that new banners have been ordered for the downtown area and should be arriving soon.

Miller reported that the A frame swing placed in Lodi Central Park has been very well received. She thanked the street department employees for installing the swing.

MAPES – SAFETY

A motion was made by Mapes and seconded by May to accept a police department donation from the Lodi American Legion in the amount of \$1,500.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Mapes, May, Miller, Graham, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

Mapes reported that Fire Chief Chris Ridenour provided a monthly fire/EMS activity report for council review.

Fire Chief Ridenour reported that the graphics will be replaced on the new squad. A company in Wadsworth will be replacing the graphics and will also do the graphics on the second squad.

MAY – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION

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 Graham to approve the monthly financial report.

Upon roll call: YEAS: May, Graham, Miller, Mapes, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

May reported that the first annual village shred day went well. Forty to fifty cars participated and over two thousand pounds of paper was shredded. The residents were very happy with the

event. May would like to plan the event again for next year, possibly for the week after the annual garage sales.

GRAHAM - STREETS & SIDEWALKS

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Miller to approve the engineering agreement for the Lakeview Drive Reconstruction Project.

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

NAYS: None

RIDENOUR – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Ridenour reported that the fish store downtown has sold and the new owners plan to keep it as a fish store.

Ridenour reported that a new Taco Bell is being planned across from Arby's in the Route 83/Burbank area.

JAMEYSON – ZONING

A motion was made by Jameyson and seconded by Graham to approve a tree lawn parking permit application for 105 Mill Street.

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

NAYS: None

Discussion was held regarding additional parking permit renewal applications which were received this afternoon. It was determined that the applications will be tabled until the next meeting to allow time for review.

Council Member Mapes asked about the status of a parking permit for the property located on Railroad Street across from the utility superintendent's office. She indicated that a third car is parking there and she believes the parking permit only allows two vehicles. Police Chief Keith Keough will look into the situation.

CLERK-TREASURER

Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman reported that she contacted Jeff Henry and his sister Debby Klinect (trustee of the property) regarding their possible desire to sell their mother's property on State Route 83, located in Harrisville Township immediately outside of village limits. Debby may attend a future council meeting if she is interested in speaking with council regarding a possible sale of the property.

Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman reported that John Baker, Vice President of Nursing and Operations at Lodi Community Hospital would like to meet with village officials to introduce himself. His intention is to learn about the council committees and what they do, and better understand the healthcare needs of the community. He prefers to meet in person if possible. It was determined that the clerk-treasurer will contact him to invite him to the July 12 council meeting, or a meeting may be held on July 19.

MAYOR GEISSMAN

Upon the recommendation of Mayor Robert Geissman, a motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to hire Robert Stewart as a member of the volunteer fire/EMS department upon the successful completion of pre-employment testing.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Graham, Mapes, May, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to accept the \$1,000,000 water tower grant from the Army Corp of Engineers and to proceed with processing all necessary documents for the grant.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Graham, Mapes, May, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that a street and sidewalks committee meeting will need to be scheduled once the village receives the details involved with the recently awarded \$85,000 PLCI planning grant.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he contacted Timothy Robinson about the next steps necessary for the splash pad grant award which was included in the state capital budget. Mayor Geissman received a packet of information regarding the process.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he contacted Senator Mark Romanchuk's office regarding the 2023 State Capital Budget grant process. Mayor Geissman took videos and photos of the community park bridge to begin preparing for a bridge replacement grant for the 2023 grant cycle.

Mayor Robert Geissman discussed street damage that occurred on Harris Street due to the recent heavy rain and flooding.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that one of the village businesses has gone into receivership.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that copies of the Whisper Creek Phase 3 subdivision project were forwarded to council members. The Lodi Planning Commission will begin reviewing the documents.

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

Upon roll call: YEAS: May, Graham, Miller, Mapes, Ridenour, and Jameyson
NAYS: None



Robert Geissman, Mayor



Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer