

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 13, 2023**  
**7:00 P.M.**

Lodi Village Council met on the above date for a Regular Meeting with the following Council Members present: Miller, Samples, Graham, Surrarrer, Ridenour, and Gorglione. Also in attendance were Mayor Robert Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman, Fire Chief Chris Ridenour, and Police Chief Keith Keough.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Surrarrer to approve the minutes from the 10-23-23 regular council meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, Surrarrer, Miller, Samples, Ridenour, and Gorglione

NAYS: None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Steve Longo, of 337 Elyria Street, was present and discussed a utility pole in need of replacement at his property. Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman will relay the information to the electric utility department.

**LEGISLATION**

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CLOVERLEAF YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to declare this a first reading of the ordinance.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Graham, Samples, Surrarrer, Ridenour, and Gorglione

NAYS: None

SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NORTHERN POOL PARTICIPANT SCHEDULE. A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Graham to declare this a second reading of the ordinance.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Graham, Miller, Samples, Surrarrer, and Gorglione

NAYS: None

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3227-17 REGARDING MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX. A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Surrarrer to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Surrarrer, Miller, Samples, Graham, and Gorglione

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH D2 EXCAVATING LLC, FOR THE LODI COMMUNITY PARK BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION,

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Surrarrer to suspend the three-reading rule and pass the ordinance as an emergency.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Surrarrer, Miller, Samples, Graham, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Surrarrer to pass the ordinance.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Surrarrer, Miller, Samples, Graham, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND D2 EXCAVATING LLC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LODI COMMUNITY PARK BRIDGE WITHIN THE VILLAGE. A motion was made by Surrarrer and seconded by Graham to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Surrarrer, Graham, Miller, Samples, Ridenour, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

### **COMMITTEE REQUESTS**

#### **MILLER – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION**

Miller reported that a finance committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

#### **SAMPLES – SAFETY**

Samples had nothing to report at this time.

#### **GRAHAM - STREETS & SIDEWALKS**

Discussion was held regarding a quote received to complete a traffic study in the Prospect and Redfield Street area. The price for the study is \$7,000. It was determined that electronic speed signals will be put in the area first before determining whether a traffic study will be done. Utility/Street Superintendent Tracy Haltrich is meeting with NOACA very soon to inquire about borrowing a few of their electronic speed signals. Mayor Robert Geissman provided price information and suggested purchasing a few portable speed signal devices that may be moved from location to location as needed. Discussion was held regarding the desire to purchase signal devices that collect data. Discussion was also held regarding the need to place “Children at Play” signs in the area as well as enlarging the “No Truck” signs at the ends of each street.

Council Member Graham reported that a slide pipe in the new playground equipment at Lodi Community Park has been damaged. Utility/Street Superintendent Tracy Haltrich is looking into warranty information for the equipment.

#### **SURRARRER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Surrarrer introduced Brandon Gibson, from the Medina County Economic Development Corporation. Brandon gave a verbal presentation outlining possibilities for the Vibrant Communities Program Grant.

**RIDENOUR – PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTIES**

A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Graham to approve a 2024 quote for lawn weed and feed programs for Central Park, Richman Field, and the fire station in the amount of \$1,343.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Graham, Miller, Samples, Surrarer, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

**GORGLIONE - ZONING**

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Surrarer to approve a parking permit renewal for 106 High Street for one vehicle only.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, Surrarer, Miller, Samples, Ridenour, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to approve a parking permit renewal for 212 Mill Street.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Miller, Graham, Samples, Surrarer, Ridenour, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

**CLERK-TREASURER**

Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman reported that a request was received from Andrew Hickman to place his food truck on village square occasionally on Saturdays in 2024. His food truck is named “Four Flippin Monkeys”, and he sells burgers, bratwurst, and hotdogs/chili dogs. Council agreed to allow the food truck.

**MAYOR GEISSMAN**

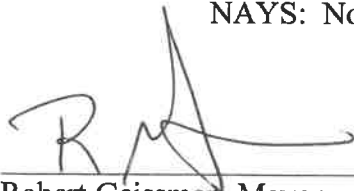
Mayor Robert Geissman discussed the Whisper Creek Phase 4B Developer’s Agreement. After discussion, a motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Graham to approve the developer’s agreement.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Ridenour, Graham, Miller, Samples, Surrarer, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None

Council Member Surrarer questioned why council wasn’t involved in a recent employee situation in the village. It was explained that council is the legislative body for the village and is not involved in the day-to-day operations of the village. The village solicitor was involved in the situation and gave guidance to the mayor regarding what needed to be done. The mayor followed the directives of the village solicitor.

There being no further business to come before council, a motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ridenour to adjourn the meeting.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, Ridenour, Miller, Samples, Surrarer, and Gorglione  
NAYS: None



Robert Geissman, Mayor

  
Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer