

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 13, 2024

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, Ridenour, and Gorglione. Surrarer was absent. 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 Miller and seconded by Graham to approve the minutes from the 4-22-24 regular council meeting and the 5-2-24 special council meeting.

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

NAYS: None

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Police Chief Keith Keough read a Letter of Commendation and presented a lifesaving pin to Police Officer Donald Paxton for his initiative and response which saved a person's life during a police call. Mayor Geissman gave Officer Paxton a Proclamation of Achievement.

Mayor Robert Geissman read a press release and presented a lifesaving pin to Fire Chief Chris Ridenour for his initiative and response which saved a person's life during a fire call. Mayor Geissman also gave Chief Ridenour a Proclamation of Achievement.

Police Sergeant Shame Sams introduced Police K-9 Dak to those in attendance at the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Duane Kenyon, of 242 Janice Street, was present and discussed concern with grass not being mowed near the new water tank behind his house. Mr. Kenyon also stated that he feels the arborvitae are too small and believes one bush is dead and needs to be replaced.

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE RETIREMENT OF VILLAGE SOLICITOR THEODORE LESIAK ON MAY 31, 2024, AND THE REEMPLOYMENT OF VILLAGE SOLICITOR THEODORE LESIAK AS A REEMPLOYED RETIRANT BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2024. Mayor Robert Geissman opened the public hearing. There being no public or council comment, Mayor Geissman closed the public hearing.

LEGISLATION

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 GARRETT SMITH FOR JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICAL LINeworker TRAINING. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Gorglione to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

Upon roll call: YEAS: Graham, Gorglione, Miller, Surrarer, and Ridenour

NAYS: None

THIRD AND FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CLEVELAND CLINIC FOUNDATION. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Gorglione to pass the ordinance upon this third and final reading.

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

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE AND JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LODI, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, AND THE LODI BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH COMPASS MINERALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF BULK WATER SOFTENING SALT FOR THE VILLAGE OF LODI, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Gorglione to suspend the three-reading rule and pass the ordinance as an emergency.

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

NAYS: None

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Miller to approve ordinance. Compass Minerals was considered to be the lowest and best bid. Although the bid price from Mid-American Salt was lower, the lower quality of their salt product caused problems at the water treatment plant in the past and their bid was therefore not recommended.

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

NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REQUESTS

MILLER – FINANCE AND LEGISLATION

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Graham to waive the assemblage permit fee for the Mason's fall pumpkin festival and parade. More information about the parade will be needed before approving the parade portion of the permit.

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

NAYS: None

A motion was made by Ridenour and seconded by Miller to waive the sign permit fee for the Harrisville/ Lodi Union Cemetery sign.

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

NAYS: None

SAMPLES – SAFETY

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Gorglione to change the minimum bid amount for the sale of the 2017 Tahoe police vehicle to \$4,000.

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

NAYS: None

GRAHAM - STREETS & SIDEWALKS

Graham reported that she has spoken with three monument companies regarding cleaning methods for the police memorial in Lodi Central Park. She was told that there is nothing that is used to take

off the green that accumulates on the bronze. Bronze naturally forms this green coating, and it serves as a protective coating. Pat reported that she had spent hours trying to find a solution. Pat will contact Advance Bronze to see if they have any different advice.

Graham reported that the new dump truck chassis will be sent out to get the plow package installed.

Graham reported that the Lodi American Legion donated twenty-five flags for streets.

Graham reported that the cemetery trustees are working on fence replacement options for the damaged fence at Woodlawn Cemetery.

SURRARRER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Surrarrer was absent.

Council Member Miller reported that Gimme a Break Tax Service has moved to the Heffelfinger Insurance building.

RIDENOUR – PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTIES

Ridenour reported that Deb Indoe will be planting flowers in the concrete planters around village square again this year.

Council Member Miller asked if council may be interested in purchasing park benches made from recycled materials. Council agreed to authorize Miller to look into this option.

GORGLIONE - ZONING

Gorglione had nothing to report at this time.

MAYOR GEISSMAN

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the Janice Street Reconstruction project contract date for completion is May 17, 2024. He is unsure whether the contractor will meet the project completion deadline.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he received notification that the OPWC grant of \$175,000 was approved for the water treatment plant water line project.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that the village will need to determine which project will be submitted for the fall OPWC grant applications. Council Member Ridenour reported that she would like to see restrooms placed at Richman Field.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he will attend the Medina County Commissioners workshop meeting to discuss the village grant application for county CDBG money.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that he has asked Engineering Associates to prepare cost estimates for the downtown revitalization of streets and sidewalks. He stated that this project could be combined with needed park improvements for a Neighborhood Revitalization Grant.

Mayor Robert Geissman reported that a meeting was held with the splash pad contractor and work should begin on the project very soon.

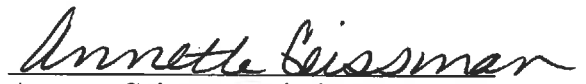
The second council meeting for May will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.

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

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



Robert Geissman, Mayor



Annette Geissman, Clerk-Treasurer