

**Record of Proceedings
Village of Peninsula Council
REGULAR SESSION**

Held: July 8, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The Village of Peninsula Council convened from 7:00 p.m. to 10:06 p.m. in the Peninsula Village Hall. Mayor Douglas Mayer called the meeting to order and initiated the roll call, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Michael Matusz	ABSENT	Mayor Douglas Mayer	PRESENT
Richard Fisher, Jr.	PRESENT	Chris Weigand	PRESENT
Michael J. Kaplan	PRESENT	Daniel Schneider	PRESENT
Diane Holody	PRESENT	(Mr. Schneider left at 9:12 p.m.)	

OTHERS PRESENT: Fiscal Officer Deborah Wordell and Solicitor Brad Bryan.

Terry Thompson from Republic Services Discussed the State of Recycling: Mr. Thompson presented Council with an overview of the changes taking place in the recycling industry. He stated China has drastically reduced its acceptance of recyclables, and there is a glut of mixed plastics and mixed paper in our trash system (non-recyclable items). Green Star in Akron is the third-party recycling center used by Republic. Republic has seen significant price increases over the past eighteen months. The market went from Republic being paid to drop off material to the company being charged \$100 per ton for recyclables, plus \$125 per ton for trash that has to be pulled out of the recycling. Mr. Thompson stated recycling is necessary for the health of the planet, but it costs money and requires manpower. Extensive public education and facility upgrades are needed. Republic is working with Summit County Recycling and assisting with the efforts to push back on manufacturers. Republic is asking Council for some combination of a \$1.71 per household per month increase, sixty-five-gallon wheeled recycling carts to be distributed in place of the sixteen-gallon recycling bins (residents will be given the option), recyclable pickups to be changed to every other week, and the contract to be extended to 12-31-2022 (current expiration is 12-31-2020). Both Mr. Kaplan and Mayor Mayer requested Mr. Thompson to send Council educational information for options on how to best educate the community on better recycling practices. Mayor Mayer asked Mr. Thompson to have a Republic representative present at the August Meeting to help keep Council motivated on this topic.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: Richard Slocum of 1563 Mill Street asked Council to make public the Council agenda books by posting them to the Village website. He stated his preference was for the posting to be made a few weeks before the Council Meeting. Mr. Slocum was informed that those books are not prepared until the Friday before the Council Meeting. Mr. Slocum also requested that the Minutes be made available to the public sooner, even if they are just in draft form.

COUNCIL PARTICIPATION: Ms. Holody stated NOPEC has a built-in default price that can cost consumers more money. Residents need to be informed that they need to select from one of three alternate options in order to consistently receive a reduced rate. Ms. Holody stated she will put something on this topic in the Your Community News.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

Village Hall Structural Issues. The Mayor reported has no new information on this topic.

Boston Township Police Contract Proposal: Mayor Mayer reported he has been working with both Chief Varga and Fiscal Officer Wordell on a proposal for Boston Township for a new Police Contract. They have compiled three cost options for the Township based on different staffing options. The Mayor stated the current contract is costing the Village money. Council stated it would like to see a breakdown of the numbers. The Township currently does not have police coverage between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Mr. Kaplan stated he would like to see Boston Township have twenty-four-hour coverage just like the Village. The Mayor stated if Council wants, he can schedule a Special Council Meeting before July 19th with Chief Varga present to help explain the costs. The Mayor also stated he would like to move quickly on this matter so he can present options to the Township.

Tree Damage: The Mayor also informed Council the shared tree that was between the administration building and the neighboring property fell on the neighbor's house during the recent storm. Both Insurance companies were notified, and it was determined that the Village was not responsible for the damage. The claim was covered by the neighbor's insurance.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Army Corps Directive Update: The Village received an additional thirty-day extension until August 1, 2019. Additional extensions will be granted as long as the Village shows progress. The Committee is meeting with Mr. McCabe on July 9, at 11:30 for an update on his activities and attempts to identify any possible funding sources.

Village Social Media Policy: Council determined this matter would be discussed at a future meeting.

Service Department Fire Insurance Claim: Mr. Bryan reported the Village's insurance company issued an additional check to the Village in the amount of \$35,819.26 for Police Department and security camera items that were located at the building and lost in the fire. In addition, a check for \$1,209.04 was issued to the company owning the fire damaged air tanks that the Village was renting.

LEGISLATION:

Third Reading:

Resolution No. 11-2019

Requested by Councilperson Kaplan

A Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of Rules of Council

Mr. Kaplan presented the Rules and discussed the revisions that were made since the June Council Meeting with the other members of Council. Mr. Kaplan suggested all Councilmembers should use the Village server for their correspondence so that those public records can be captured by the Administrator. It was determined that the vote on this legislation

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would be postponed until the August meeting so that Council would have more time to review the changes and all members would be able to vote on the Resolution.

Second Reading:

Resolution No. 15-2019

Requested by Fiscal Officer Deborah Wordell

A Resolution Adopting the Tax Budget of the Village of Peninsula for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2020 and Submitting the Same to the County Fiscal Officer.

A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mr. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Weigand.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was adopted.

A motion to pass was made by Ms. Holody and seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

First Reading:

Ordinance No. 18-2019

Requested by Councilperson Weigand

An Ordinance Establishing Chapters 741 and 185 of the Codified Ordinances Relating to Short-Term Rental Regulations and an Excise Tax on Short-Term Rentals

Mr. Bryan asked Council if it would like to hear from Ms. McMahon, the Village Planning Consultant, before taking action on this legislation. Mr. Kaplan suggested and Council agreed that Council would review the legislation before the August meeting and decide at the August meeting whether a presentation by Ms. McMahon was necessary. Mr. Bryan was asked if a public hearing was necessary before the adoption of the Resolution. Mr. Bryan advised the Ordinances are not zoning ordinances, they are business regulation ordinances, and therefore, no public hearing is mandated by law. Mr. Weigand and Mr. Bryan stated if Council wants to adopt the Ordinances, in order to be able to put them into effect by the 2020 calendar year, they should be adopted by Council by mid-October.

Resolution No. 19-2019

Requested by Fiscal Officer Deborah Wordell

A Resolution Authorizing Certain Amendments, Transfers, and/or Revenue Adjustments to the 2019 Appropriation Resolution.

A motion to suspend the three-reading rule was made by Mr. Schneider and seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

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Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was adopted.

A motion to pass was made by Mr. Schneider and seconded by Ms. Holody.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

(Mr. Schneider needed to leave the meeting at this time; 9:12 p.m.).

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Consideration of Minutes:

June 10, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

Ms. Holody made a motion to amend the June 10, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes to reflect that the comment of wanting the Village Hall replacement windows to be the same brand as the previous replacement windows was made by both Mr. Kaplan and Ms. Holody. Mr. Kaplan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes.

A Motion to approve the Minutes as amended was made by Mr. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Weigand.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes. The Minutes were approved as amended.

FINANCE LIAISON, MS. HOLODY:

A motion for Acknowledgement of Receipt of the Financial Reports was made by Ms. Holody and seconded by Mr. Weigand.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes. The motion was adopted.

A motion for Ratification of Payment of the Submitted Bills List was made by Ms. Holody and seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes. The motion was adopted.

A motion for Ratification of Payment of a Supplemental Listed Bill was made by Ms. Holody and seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

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Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes. The motion was adopted.

POLICE LIAISON, MR. SCHNEIDER: The Village was awarded an Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program Vest Grant in the amount of \$3,212.91 with a \$1,070.97 Village match requirement (25%). Mr. Bryan stated the funds needed to purchase the vests need to be appropriated. Mr. Kaplan made a motion to appropriate funds to permit the Village to participate in the Vest Grant program in an amount not to exceed \$4,400, with three-quarters of the money to be reimbursed to the Village pursuant to the Grant. The motion was seconded by Ms. Holody.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, yes; Ms. Holody, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes. The motion was adopted.

ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS LIAISON, MR. MATUSZ: Mayor Mayer reported the Service Department boom mower transmission is in need of repair at a cost of \$22,000. A new boom mower would cost \$110,000 to \$120,000. The Mayor received a quote for mowing behind the guardrails from the Summit County Engineer in the amount of \$1,304.64 per cut. The mowing would be required twice per year. Mr. Kaplan suggested asking the Township if it would perform the service at a cost of \$1,200 per mow. Ms. Holody asked if the Service Department could perform the job with weed whackers. The Mayor advised it was too big of a job for that equipment and would take too much time. The Mayor will ask the Township if they could do the job for a better price than the County.

PLANNING COMMISSION, MR WEIGAND: Mr. Weigand reported the Commission is very happy with the work of Ms. McMahon, the Planning Consultant. He thanked Council for approving the appropriation amendment legislation containing the additional \$5,000 needed to see Ms. McMahon through the completion of the Zoning Ordinance updates recommended in the Long Range Plan.

WASTEWATER: Nothing to report.

ZONING: Mr. Mayor Mayer stated the bid for the demolition of the 5978 Canal Street property house needed to be approved. Mr. Kaplan stated there was no progress in finding an investor willing to restore the house. Mr. Weigand made a motion to accept the \$6,575 plus the cost of permits bid from Alden Excavating, Inc. for the demolition of the 5978 Canal Street property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Kaplan, abstain; Ms. Holody, no; Mr. Weigand, yes. The motion was adopted.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: No report.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS, Mr. Fisher: No report.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MR. WEIGAND: No report.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, MR. KAPLAN: Nothing additional to report.
FIRE BOARD, MR. SCHNEIDER: No report.

CEMETERY BOARD, MR SCHNEIDER: No report.

JEDD, MR. SCHNEIDER: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mr. Bryan reported the Village is waiting to hear back from the Township on the Service Department Collaboration Contract.

NEW BUSINESS: Ms. Holody discussed the proposal from Peninsula Architects for a site plan layout necessary for continuing discussions with the National Park about any possible land swap. The land would be for a future site for a Village Service garage and storage building and could also possibly house a sewer plant if the Village builds a sewer system in the future. See attached proposal.

Mr. Weigand stated he spoke with the Chamber of Commerce about some type of memorial to Mary Booth. That matter will be discussed further with the Chamber. Ms. Holody is following up with Ms. Booth's family about a date for Council to recognize Ms. Booth at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Weigand. All were in favor of the motion; none were opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Douglas G. Mayer, Mayor

Date



Deborah Wordell, Fiscal Officer

8-26-2019



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