

**Record of Proceedings
Village of Peninsula Council
REGULAR SESSION
ELECTRONIC ZOOM MEETING**

Held: Monday, November 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: The Village of Peninsula Council convened at 7:00 p.m. electronically via Zoom Meeting. Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr. called the meeting to order, and the following members were present.

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr.	Present	John Krusinski	Absent
Richard Fisher, Jr.	Present	Chris Weigand	Present
Michael J. Kaplan	Present	Daniel Schneider, Sr.	Present
George Haramis	Present (left meeting from 7:54p.m. to 8:08p.m.)		

OTHERS PRESENT: Solicitor Brad Bryan and Fiscal Officer Trevor Elkins.

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA AND AMENDMENT OF THE AGENDA: None.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS:

October 12, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Councilperson Haramis made a motion to approve the October 12, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes that was seconded by Councilperson Schneider.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Minutes were approved.

SPECIAL MATTERS AS DETERMINED BY THE CHAIR: None.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS:

Mayor Daniel Schneider Jr.: The Mayor stated the contractor hired to remove the old Service Garage pad is 2 weeks behind schedule due to rainy weather. The contractor assured the Mayor he will remove the pad the week of November 15.

Fiscal Officer Trevor Elkins: Mr. Elkins stated the Regional Income Tax Agency income tax receipts are up 5.45% on the year as of November 8, 2020. Mr. Elkins stated the Village should finish the year ahead of last year. He also stated from a planning and budget perspective, the Village is projected to be at 82% of projected revenues and 78% of projected expenditures through the end of October.

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Street Commissioner Douglas Anderson: The Mayor reported the Street Commissioner and Service Department Supervisor Andexler are acquiring bids for repairing sections of Stine and Riverview Roads. The bids will be used to budget for road improvements in the spring of 2021. Councilperson Kaplan stated he would like to see a 3 to 4 year road maintenance schedule. The Mayor stated he is aware of the need for this information for planning and budgeting purposes. He, along with Mr. Andexler, Mr. Anderson, and Councilperson Haramis are starting to work on a Road Plan. Mr. Bryan stated the County Engineer usually distributes instructions for participating in the following year's road program around this time of year and has a meeting in December. The Mayor stated he will make sure the Village receives that information.

Finance Liaison Richard Fisher, Jr.:

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Financial Reports: Mr. Fisher made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the October Financial Reports that was seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Ratification of Submitted Bills List: Mr. Fisher made a motion for Ratification of the Submitted Bills List for October that was seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Police Department Liaison Daniel Schneider, Sr.:

Approval of Requested Department Purchases

Officer Range Qualification Ammunition: \$2,695 from Vance's Law Enforcement

Councilperson Schneider made a motion to approve the purchase of Officer range qualification ammunition for \$2,695 from Vance's Law Enforcement that was seconded by Councilperson Kaplan.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Police Cruiser Tires; \$2,940; Goodyear Councilperson Schneider made a motion to approve the purchase of winter tires for \$2,940 from Goodyear for all of the Police Department cruisers that was seconded by Councilperson Haramis.

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Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Councilperson Kaplan suggested amending the spending policy to allow department heads to purchase regularly occurring budgeted items without having to wait for approval at a Council Meeting. Mr. Bryan stated he and Mr. Elkins will come up with suggested amendments to the Village purchasing policy that would accomplish that goal.

Councilperson Schneider stated the Police Department would like to purchase a new cruiser to replace an existing cruiser with 100,000 miles. Due to a cruiser accident that took the Police Department off schedule, the Department is looking to get back on its cruiser replacement rotation schedule. There is currently a 6 to 8 month wait for the delivery of new cruisers. Councilperson Schneider made a motion to authorize the purchase of a new 2021 Ford Explorer with the necessary upfitting and accessories for an amount not to exceed \$35,000 that was seconded by Councilperson Haramis.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Councilperson Schneider stated the Police Department parking lot needs repairs. The Mayor said Mr. Andexler would look into the matter.

Roads and Public Works Liaison George Haramis: Mr. Haramis stated he has created a working model for the proposed Village Road and Service Department Long-Range Plans. The model includes road repair, road replacement, and cost estimate schedules, Department capital needs, and vehicle and equipment costs. Councilperson Haramis also stated the Mayor would like to purchase a 'Hot Box' for the Service Department. A 'Hot Box' is equipment used for keeping asphalt hot. Hot patch is easier to install and more durable than cold patch. The Mayor stated a 4-ton unit, which costs \$19,000 - \$25,000, would benefit the Village more than a 2-ton unit costing \$15,000 - \$18,000. Fiscal Officer Elkins stated the Village has three annually regenerating road funds that are separate from the General Fund. The 2011 Street Cleaning and Maintenance Repair Fund currently has a \$25,000-\$30,000 balance and regenerates itself every year. Councilperson Kaplan requested more information as to the exact model and cost of the equipment that is being requested before authorization is provided. The Mayor and Mr. Haramis stated that information could be provided. Councilperson Haramis stated a Village Road and Service Department Long-Range Plan will help Council plan and budget for future capital and equipment purchases and road repair and replacement projects.

Planning Commission Representative Christopher Weigand: Mr. Weigand stated the Planning Commission held its Regular Meeting via Zoom on October 26, 2020. The Commission

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completed the Zoning Code amendments, and that Ordinance is on second reading at this Meeting. The Planning Commission is now discussing sidewalks, traffic, and parking issues. Mr. Weigand is working on suggestions for the sidewalk regulations for the next Planning Meeting. Mr. Weigand also added the Planning Commission will look to hire a Traffic Consultant in 2021 to help suggest solutions for the Village's parking, sidewalks, and traffic issues. The Mayor stated the Park may be willing to share the costs to study those issues.

Zoning Officer Charles Hemming: Mayor Schneider stated Mr. Hemming reported a 4'x 8' plywood sign was erected by the train track stating 'Do Not Blow the Horn'. The Chief stated the issue has been resolved and the sign has been removed.

Board of Zoning Appeals: Mayor Schneider: The Mayor stated the BZA has not met recently.

Buildings and Grounds Liaison John Krusinski: Mr. Bryan stated the Mayor received permission from the Valley Fire District to build a new Village Service Garage northeast of the Fire District building on the property being leased to the Fire District by the National Park Service. Mr. Bryan is asking for Council to allow both he and the Mayor to approach the Park to request permission from the Department of Interior for the lease to be amended to allow a new Service Department building on the property. The Park Superintendent stated the CVNP would anticipate receiving a response to the Village's request by the end of the spring of next year. Mr. Bryan stated the motion is not seeking authorization to actually build the structure or spend any money to do so at this time; it is simply to see if the Department of Interior will give permission.

Mr. Kaplan made motion to authorize Solicitor Bryan and the Mayor to approach the Park Superintendent to request permission from the Department of Interior to allow the lease to be amended to permit the new building to be located on the property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weigand.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Mr. Bryan updated Council on the General Die Casters parking lot opportunity. Mr. Bryan stated even though the Village can lease the property at no cost, the Village would be required to stripe, plow, patch, and seal the lot and erect the necessary signage. The Village would be allowed to charge for parking and keep the revenues. The plan as of now is to erect an honor system pay box that would at least cover the Village's expenses. General Die Casters requested that the term of the agreement be limited to one year. The company would be willing to extend the lease if things go well. Mr. Kaplan asked whether the owner of the Terry Lumber property, over which cars would have to travel to get to the public parking area, has been contacted to see if he has any objections. Mr. Bryan stated Mr. Lahoski advised the Mayor and

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him that he had no objections. Mr. Kaplan asked Mr. Bryan and the Mayor to have further discussions with Mr. Lahoski about the proposal and obtain his written assurance that he is agreeable to this arrangement.

Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development Liaison Christopher Weigand: Mr. Weigand stated the Chamber has determined Christmas events in Peninsula will not take place this year due to COVID-19. The Mayor stated the tree lighting may be cancelled. He will check with the Health Department and follow up with everyone. The Chamber is encouraging all residents to decorate their doors and front porches to help lift spirits this season. The Library will be holding an on-line tree auction.

Policies & Procedures Liaison Michael J. Kaplan: Mr. Kaplan stated he had nothing to report.

Fire Board Liaison Daniel Schneider, Sr.: Councilperson Schneider informed Council the new Fire Engine will be in service by the end of the week. Mr. Weigand suggested Council pass a Resolution congratulating the Woodridge state championship cross-country team, which has won the championship 3 times in a row and 10 times total.

Cemetery Board Liaison Daniel Schneider, Sr.: Councilperson Schneider stated he had nothing new to report.

JEDD: Mr. Elkins stated the JEDD revenue is down 8% this year. He believes this shortfall is due to the ski resorts closing early.

Wastewater: Mayor stated the Summit County Department of Sanitary Sewer Services is interested in working with the Village on a central sewer system. The Village has been advised that the Department will contact the Village to provide details sometime next month.

Solicitor Brad Bryan: Mr. Bryan stated he had no report this evening.

LEGISLATION:

Third Reading: None

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Second Reading:

Ordinance No. 21-2020

Requested by Mayor Schneider and Councilperson Weigand

An Ordinance Amending Title 11 of the Village's Codified Ordinances Constituting the Village Planning and Zoning Code

The Ordinance was read by title by Mr. Bryan. Mr. Bryan stated Ordinance No. 21-2020 will need to receive a full three readings. He informed Council the Public Hearing is set for 7:00 p.m. on December 14, 2020 prior to the Regular Council Meeting.

First Reading:

Resolution No. 22-2020

Requested by Fiscal Officer Trevor Elkins

A Resolution Authorizing Certain Amendments, Transfers, and/or Revenue Adjustments to the 2020 Appropriation Resolution

The Resolution was read by title by Mr. Bryan. Mr. Kaplan made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule that was seconded by Mr. Haramis.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

A motion to approve Resolution No. 22-2020 was made by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Schneider.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 23-2020

Requested by Mayor Schneider and Fiscal Officer Elkins

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Renew the Village's Employee Health Insurance Agreement with NFP Corporate Services through the Summit County Health Connection for the 2021 Calendar Year

The Resolution was read by title by Mr. Bryan. Mr. Bryan stated there is no rate increase. Council determined that Resolution No. 23-2020 would advance to a second reading next month.

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Resolution No. 24-2020

Requested by Fiscal Officer Elkins and Solicitor Bryan

A Resolution Requesting the Summit County Fiscal Officer, in the Year 2021, to Advance to the Village Monies to which the Village is Entitled from the Proceeds of Tax Levies for the Tax Year 2020

The Resolution was read by title by Mr. Bryan. Mr. Kaplan made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule that was seconded by Mr. Schneider.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

Mr. Fisher made a motion to pass Resolution No. 24-2020 that was seconded by Mr. Haramis.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 25-2020

Requested by Solicitor Bryan

A Resolution Designating Solicitor Bradric Bryan as the Public Records Act Training Designee for 2020 for Mayor Daniel Schneider, Jr. and Councilpersons Michael J. Kaplan, Richard Fisher, Jr., George Haramis, John Krusinski, Christopher Weigand, and Daniel Schneider, Sr.

Resolution No. 25-2020 will advance to a second reading at the December Council Meeting.

Ordinance No. 26-2020

Requested by Councilperson Schneider and Police Chief Varga

An Ordinance Amending Section 147.03 of the Village's Administrative Code Relating to Holidays to Provide that Police Officers that Work on Village Designated Holidays Receive Time and One-Half Pay

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The Ordinance was read by title by Mr. Bryan. Mr. Kaplan made a motion to suspend the three-reading rule that was seconded by Mr. Haramis.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The motion was approved.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 26-2020 was made by Mr. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Schneider.

Roll call Vote: Mr. Kaplan, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Mr. Haramis, yes; Mr. Weigand, yes; Mr. Schneider, yes. The Ordinance was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Councilperson Schneider asked Mr. Bryan to schedule a meeting with Engineer Ed McCabe regarding the further eroding riverbank on Akron-Peninsula Road. A tree recently fell down and further eroded the bank. Mr. Bryan stated he will set-up a meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (as needed): None.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Weigand and seconded by Mr. Haramis. All were in favor of the motion; none were opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Daniel Schneider Jr., Mayor

Date



12-21-2020

Trevor Elkins, Fiscal Officer



12-27-2020