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Council meeting minutes
December 10th, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Dale Baumgartner at the Ohio Valley University conference room. Present: Dale Baumgartner, Don Stemple, Cheney English, Chris Nahley (call in), Rachel Hensley, Fred Newberry. Absent: Regina Smith. Also, Bill Summers and Raymond Schrader were in attendance.

Minutes

A motion to approve the November 12th minutes was approved by Cheney English, seconded by Don Stemple, approved by council.

Recorders report

Shared monthly financial statements

Shared response from MOVR (Ryan Osborne) on our grant application for the pool which follows:

I have received a response that is not exactly ideal, but has a positive outlook (Below, there is an attached message from John McGarrity with the WV Development Authority). It is most likely not possible to be eligible for this year's LAWCF application, but once the Town secures ownership, we can

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apply for the next year's funding. I do not believe it is exactly year-to-year, as I am told there was an application submitted and awarded earlier this year. Keep in touch and let me know what your plans are and how the negotiation process pans out. Also, let me know how your engineer selection process turns out. I look forward to helping along the wastewater improvements project!

Informed council that on November 17th, a letter was sent to Mr. Morgan Ta, 162 North Hills Drive in response to the Town of North Hills Regulations for lot maintenance ordinance Chapter 5 Building Technical codes and permits, section 5-12 Regulations for lot maintenance. They were given a 2 week notice for compliance. Unless within the two weeks provided for, the dirt, rubbish, debris, weeds, brush, trees, plant growth, filth or any other deleterious material is removed from such lot, land, or property as directed by such notice, the Town Council may cause the same to be removed either by the agents or employees of the town, or otherwise as they may decide or direct, in which event the Town Recorder shall report the cost of cutting and removal and hauling immediately mail a bill, voucher, or statement of such cost to the person owning or occupying such lot, land or property and the bill, voucher, or statement shall be due within (10) days of then date of the mailing of the bill, voucher, or statement.

Paid \$ 7,500 to Blackwell's on work performed on 31 Lake Drive

Paid \$ 2,862 Risk management Quarterly dues.

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Paid \$ 4,785 to Suttle and Stalnaker for preparation of 1019 audit.

Had a request from a town resident to purchase a ladder for residents to use. Decided that there would be a liability issue.

Submitted monthly report to Suttle and Stalnaker per their request to help with the bookkeeping.

Decision was made not to proceed with the Holiday activities that were planned due to the Virus.

Rachel agreed to be the focal point for the shelter reservation. She will be in touch with the IT to update her access to the Web page.

Fred asked Dale for a copy of the pool property lease agreement. He will ask the pool board for a copy.

Council informed that the Street User Invoices are printed and ready to be mailed in January. The late charge on the invoice has been updated to reflect the \$ 40 late fee that is required.

Safety

Deer hunt orientation will be held prior to the hunt. The next scheduled date is January 11th thru January 25th.

Resident pointed out that a storm drain grating on Wood shire Drive needs reseated as it was moved during the storm

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that caused extensive damage to the road.

Oath of office taken by Dale Baumgartner, Fred Newberry, Rachel Hensley, Don Stemple, and Cheney English. Regina Smith and Chris Nahley will take the Oath at next meeting.

Building permits --NA

Committee updates

Christmas - Motion made by Don Stemple to make \$ 200 available to purchase wreaths to install on street posts, seconded by Cheney English, approved by council.

There will be a Santa drive thru on Saturday the 12th at 2:00 with fire trucks, and police escorts.

Dale asked for volunteers to man the bell ringing at the Vienna Piggly Wiggly on Saturday 19th from 10 – 8.

Playground – Grant will not be available until deed is obtained for the pool. Dale will write a letter to those who donated monies for the playground upgrade.

Tennis shed – Roof has been replaced and shelves built.

Urban Deer hunt – 9 were taken. Next scheduled hunt is January 11 thru 25. Will need to get information in next years newspaper.

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Town Business

Pool Acquisition – Plan is to hold a vote at our next meeting.

Ray Schrader presented the following for consideration:

- Cost of repairs now
- Consider bankruptcy
- Any EPA issues
- Who will run the pool?
- Cost of annual upkeep of pool
- Consider having an Administrative oversight

These points will be added to the Agenda to our next meeting on January 14th.

Sewer repairs

Dale to schedule a meeting with Engineering and Union Williams next week. Bill Summers offered his services as needed.

A motion was made by Cheney English to adjourn the meeting at 9:00, seconded by Don Stemple, approved by council. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on January 14th, at the Ohio Valley University conference room at 7PM.

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