## VILLAGE OF CRIDERSVILLE COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting – April 13, 2020

The April meeting was postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it was actually held on May 4, 2020 via telephone conference call.

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

Present by phone—Mayor Rick Walls, Council members: Eric West, Joe Bailey, Dorance Thompson, Frank Oen, Rick Allen and Stacey Cook. Also present by phone: Financial Officer Susan Bassitt, Administrator Jarid Kohlrieser, Solicitor Angela Elliott, Police Chief Paul Robbins and Fire Chief Rick Miller.

It was moved by Cook, seconded by West to accept the minutes of the March 09, 2020 regular Council meeting with one typing correction on page two, second paragraph, the word tem was corrected to the word ten. Motion passed 6-0.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The committee reports were read by Mayor Walls.

Committee of the Whole: No report

**Utilities & Surface Water**: Mayor Walls stated the Village Administrator had a meeting with Jones & Henry Engineering to see what an analysis of both our wastewater and water plants would cost for further expansion and growth for the village. The Village received a quote from Wireman Excavating for the Shawnee Rd. storm tile project which came in at \$9,100.00. Jarid would like to set a Utility Committee meeting to discuss these quotes when the gathering restrictions are lifted by the governor due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Planning:** Mayor Walls reminded residents that temporary pools do require an annual permit with a fee of \$5.00. Pools may be up from May 1<sup>ST</sup>. to October 1<sup>ST</sup>. New permanent pools require a building permit. Outdoor home projects may also require a building permit. Please check the village zoning codes online or contact the village administrator.

**Finance:** Eric West stated that finances are looking better at this time.

**Park:** The Village administrator has applied for two grants. One is through the Wapakoneta Area Community Foundation/Eagles Community Parks Fund and the other through Midwest Electric Community Connection Fund. Both are for \$2500.00 each which would go towards the remaining balance to complete the Legacy Park Entrance Gateway.

**Streets:** The administrator contacted Sidney Sealcoat to analyze the streets that need some crack sealing. They have done work for the village in the past and will provide a quote.

**Properties:** 5 Star roofing had to be called again to look at a leak in the roof of the water plant. They repaired the problem under warranty.

**Safety:** Police Chief Robbins reported there were 131 calls for service. \$1350.00 was collected into Mayor's court. The Chief would like to appoint Officer Nick Rayoum as code enforcement officer and give him a \$1.25 an hour wage increase. There was discussion about making him a full time officer, it was decided to look at that further in a safety meeting to be set at a later date, pending the in person meeting restrictions being lifted. It was motioned by Bailey and seconded by Allen to approve Officer Rayoum as the Code Enforcement and giving a \$1.25 per hour wage increase. Motion passed 6-0.

Fire Chief Rick Miller said there were 40 EMS runs and 7 fire runs in March. He attributes the reduction in calls to the current "stay at home" orders in effect in the state. He said he did have to quarantine two of his people that were exposed to Covid-19 but they have returned to duty. He said no decision has been made on the 2020 Jamboree in July as of yet. He said if he must postpone it, he hopes to have it in August.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing was brought up.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Walls introduced **RESOLUTION #2391**, declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation and said levy being a renewal levy with an increase for fire protection and related services. Motion to read by title only for the resolution's second of three readings was made by Thompson, seconded by Oen. Motion passed 6-0. Mayor Walls read the resolution by title only. The levy will renew the existing 2mls and add a new 1 ml. The 3ml levy will then generate \$68,108.00 per year. Motion was made by Oen and seconded by Allen to accept the resolution as read for its second reading. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Walls introduced **Ordinance #1694**, amending **Ordinance #1642**, establishing regulations for setting out and picking up trash and refuse in the Village of Cridersville and establishing fines. Motion to read by title only for its seconded reading was made by West and seconded by Bailey. Motion passed 6-0. Eric West stated he does not like the ordinance. He doesn't see a need to put restrictions on the entire village for one or two people that are creating the issue, and that there is an existing ordinance already in place regarding trash. Rick Allen suggested putting the ordinance on hold until a face to face meeting can be held. Eric West asked Chief Robbins if he could get the existing trash ordinance so it can be reviewed at that time. A motion to table Ordinance #1694 was made by Thompson and seconded by Cook, motion passed 6-0.

The Mayor suggested the Community Garage Sales be cancelled this year. He doesn't feel it in the best interest of the community to have so many visitors here from out of town The Ohio Department of Health Director, Amy Acton M.D.,MPH, has issued a Covid-19 Checklist for garage sales should anyone choose to have a sale on their own. Jarid will post those regulations on the village face book page. The Mayor said he discussed Clean Up Day with Jarid Kohlrieser and they feel it best to postpone it until possibly September. Jarid said he is not comfortable exposing his employees to the public to that degree at this time of the Covid-19 restrictions. A specific date will be set later.

Stacey Cook stated that she has become aware of a resident on East Main St. that has been dealing with noise from a motor cross bike for over two years. She added that after looking at the Village Ordinance 174.60, it talks about loud noises from music or voice production type devices but it does not prohibit motor cross bikes. She asked council members to consider what it would be like to have such a vehicle outside their window at various hours of the day or night. She said she did see a letter was sent to this resident last year stating no laws had been broken by the person riding the bike. Stacey said she thinks council needs to look into the Village noise ordinance that was adopted in 2005 amended from an ordinance from 1998. After some discussion, the Mayor said that could be done at the same Safety Meeting that will be scheduled hopefully in June to discuss the full time officer issue.

Lori McKnight of 218 E. Main St. was on the phone line in the meeting, she said she is the resident this discussion is all about. She said when this all started there was one person, it has now become two, she complained about mud clumps in her yard and trash. She asked who is liable should they hit her house and that the noise is so loud she can't open her windows. Chief Robbins said he hasn't been notified of that additional information. She said she doesn't call the police anymore because when she has, someone calls her neighbor and tells them the police are coming so by the time the police get there they have the bikes put away. The Mayor intervened in the discussion and stated the issue will be discussed in a Safety Committee meeting.

The Mayor brought up the donation the village usually makes to the Cridersville Garden Club. Motion to donate \$500.00 to the Garden Club was made by Mayor Walls, seconded by West. Motion passed 5-0. Cook abstained.

Motion to adjourn was made by Cook and seco	nded by Bailey. Motion passed 6-0.
Susan Bassitt, Village Fiscal Officer	Rick Walls, Mayor