

**The Village of Weston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2021**

Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor, Jeremy Schroeder at 6:00PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call of the present council members was then taken: Mr. Dean Babcock, Mr. Dave Dewitt, Mr. Shad Kendall, Mr. Rob Myerholtz and Mr. Rick Easterwood. *A motion to excuse Mrs. Ashley Patel was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Easterwood. A motion to approve the May 17, 2021 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Dewitt, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously.*

**Old Business**

Ordinance 2021-4, amending ordinance 2017-5 and establishing honorarium rate for EMS volunteer personnel received a second reading.

**Reports**

***Administrator/Maintenance:*** New signs were ordered including children at play, chevron and poles. Ohio Street digging begins tomorrow. Brown Lane and Clark Street are complete, and will be putting stone in low spots. Will be working on sidewalk assessment, tree planting, and disc golf. Lights at the ball diamond are \$12.99 for halogen, need to make sure it works. Mr. Easterwood recommended LED.

***Zoning Inspector:*** Ken asked Jeremy W. if the Clark Street manhole height will be checked, Jeremy W. will have Palmer's come to check, Morelock doesn't do manholes. There were two emails received, one regarding the chicken/poultry farm water/sewer line on Weston Road, and the other regarding debris dumping at Lawndale property. Tammy Dewese got an email from a previous owner of the Weston Road property and was told there is water on the property across the field. Ken will reach out to NWWSD to see if they are aware of this and get more information. There is debris being dumped on Lawndale property near the senior park. In the past Ken has been told that it is private property and he has no business to enforce anything. It was recommended to write a letter to see what the plans are with that area of debris. There are some properties with borderline grass and a house on Silver Street with a mattress and other "stuff", unsure if they are waiting for trash pick-up day but will give a few more days to see if it is picked up before sending a letter.

**Committee Reports**

***Business:*** Had about 9 business owners attend the meeting. Discussed the 235 sign and will do \$100 for 6 months of advertising with a Spring/Fall rotation. If there is no room on the sign it was suggested to allow posting at the ball diamond and that revenue can be given to the rec board. Tom Zulch talked about his electric bill and all businesses pay a minimum of \$60 (commercial meter charge) and was wondering if we could do anything about the cost of it, it is hard for small businesses to pay this. Talked about solar money to be used for painting downtown storefronts, but need to find the dollar amount we would possibly get. Next meeting will be in September.

***Safety:*** 126 runs as of meeting, up by 26 from this time last year. The two individuals in class are moving forward and doing good, they are at the point of needing ride time which would be no pay. Kathy has some people that are already certified and would like to run with the EMS, she asked for new employee forms to put them on payroll/drug license. Tim talked with Stephanie about Walmart online ordering of supplies and Tim requested a P.O. for work on 915 from Jerry's Automotive. EMS would like a docking station charger for the pagers, they have some that won't take charge and when the Fire Department had the same issue they switched to the docking stations. Kathy will get a count of how many is needed to get a quote and approval from council.

***Upcoming Meetings:*** Streets 6/8 at 6PM has been cancelled. Rec Board 6/9 at 6:30PM, Finance 6/14 at 5PM, Safety 6/24 at 5:30PM. Regularly scheduled business meeting is moved to September. Council meeting for 6/21 has been cancelled, next council meeting is Tuesday, July 6th (4th of July is observed on July 5th).

Mayor noted committee changes. Mr. Easterwood was moved from Streets to Cemetery and Mr. Myerholtz is head of the Finance Committee and on the Safety and Streets committee.

### **Approval of Expenditures**

Council reviewed bills paid dated 5/18/2021 to 6/7/2021 totaling \$70,340.95, with a motion to approve made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved - 4, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mr. Kendall.

### **Miscellaneous Business**

Mr. Myerholtz discussed stoning/paving boulevards, updating zoning ordinance, and cemetery board. There is a safety concern for stoning and paving boulevards as well as planting trees that take space away from boulevards. The question was brought up "would we approve curb cuts on Taylor or Center Street, why is it allowed in the neighborhoods". Mr. Myerholtz compared the Haskin's Zoning Ordinance to Weston's and Haskin's has 227 pages, while Weston only has 27 pages, the zoning ordinance needs to be up to date. Haskin's zoning ordinance also has sidewalk regulations which states that the owner of the property is responsible for repairs and new sidewalks. Mr. Myerholtz proposed to have the lands/buildings committee begin discussion on zoning changes. Another concern brought up was the cemetery board being paid which is against the ORC and the cemetery clerk keeping records at her house, no back-up copies are at the office. Paul Skaff will check into these items.

### **Citizens and Visitors**

Steve Miller, Alex Easterwood, Paul Skaff (Village Legal Counsel)

Steve Miller was in attendance to get approval for the Fireman's festival to utilize the maintenance building space and power. The festival is July 16th from 5pm to 12am and July 17th from 11am to 12am, and would need to set up on Thursday and tear down Sunday. This would require Locust Street closure in front of the Maintenance building and Main Street from Locust Street to Mill Street. The closure would be during the festival, after hours Main Street would be open. A motion to approve the closure and usage of space for Fireman's festival was made by Mr. Kendall, seconded by Mr. Myerholtz; Approved - 4, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mr. Easterwood.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57PM.

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Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor