

**The Village of Weston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
March 02, 2020**

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. Bill Barnhart, Mr. Shad Kendall, Ms. Diane Hillier, Mr. Rick Easterwood. The agenda was presented with no additions. *A motion to approve the February 18, 2020 council meeting minutes as written was made by Ms. Hillier, seconded by Mr. Barnhart; Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.*

There was no old or new business to report.

**Reports**

**Mayor:** Mayor shared that he spoke with Adam Laroe, owner of the nuisance property on Silver Street; property owner shared the house will be knocked down this week and cleaning up the site the 2nd week of April at the latest. Mr. Dewitt asked if a fence would be put around the demolished building. Ken Taylor will reach out to the property owner about snow fencing. Property owner also shared his plans of building a duplex on the property in the near future.

Mark Ohashi with Habitat for Humanity also reached out about being approached by Jason Brown to purchase a lot on Brown Lane and wanted to know the story about Brown Lane, and if it is a legal street. Brown Lane is not a dedicated street and will be sent to the streets committee for more discussion.

Ms. Hillier wanted to get clarification for the cemetery levy for the next cemetery meeting and recommended that the process to get levy on the November ballot gets done asap.

**Fiscal Officer/Administrative:** PEP Risk Control will be out for their annual visit on March 3rd at 10am, the sale for community pride clothing has been extended to March 13th, and clerk shared sample business meeting invite that will be sent out to businesses for the March 23rd meeting.

**Administrator/Maintenance:** Palmer's will be in on Wednesday to check out the village storm sewers to help get a storm sewer plan put together.

**Zoning Inspector:** Mr. Taylor inquired on if a demolition permit may be needed for the Silver Street nuisance demolition. The Village does not have a permit, but the county may. More information will be acquired to share with Adam Laroe.

**Safety:** Kathy presented an official quote from Third Generation Printing for EMS jackets. Half down, \$659.02 is due at the time of order and remaining \$659.02 is due upon delivery. *Mr. Kendall made the motion to approve the purchase of 8 EMS jackets from Third Generation Printing, seconded by Mr. Dewitt; Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.* The I Am Responding system that the EMS and Fire department currently use is up for renewal in April, the cost is \$3,137 for a five year contract. It only seemed fair to have the fire department/township pay half which will need to be drawn up in a contract that they pay half or be taken off of the application. Mr. Easterwood shared he will bring this to the township. *Mr. Barnhart made a motion to approve the IAR renewal for \$3,137, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.* Miscellaneous equipment and supplies are needed for the squad and a list will be made by EMS to be turned in. Jessie reported that contract money has been turned in except for Village of Custar and Weston, no word on township contract. Kathy will follow up with two people that are taking class for EMT. No discussion was had on possible police force.

Upcoming meetings:

Streets - March 4th at 5:30pm w/ Poggemeyer

Cemetery - March 5th at 6pm

Parks & Rec - March 11th at 6pm

Business/E.D./Strategic Plan - March 23rd at 5PM, w/ Businesses at 6PM

*Finance meetings have been rescheduled to have regular meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month at 5pm. Next meeting will be March 9th at 5pm.*

**Approval of Expenditures**

Council reviewed bills to be paid and warrants to be issued dated from 2/18/2020 to 3/2/2020

at a total of \$11,076.54. A motion for approval including \$1811.30 Display Sales (Summer & Fall Banners and Flags) and a Lenovo A540 and Asus Chromebook Flip C434 for Stephanie and Jeremy was made by Ms. Hillier, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved - 6, Opposed - 0.

**Citizens and Visitors**

Visitors Present include: Rob Myerholtz, Steve Miller, Otsego Student

Steve Miller asked if the Fire Department could keep using the little building to the right side of the driveway. Mayor shared there are a lot of items in the salt building that need to be disposed of. Steve also shared Sonlight Church is having a potato, soup, and salad bar on Saturday.

Rob Myerholtz inquired about the neighbor on Silver Street. Ken Taylor shared that the trailer with the couches have been moved and is not violating anything else, vehicles are parking on the grass but is not violating an ordinance. Rob also inquired about the status of doing away with the cemetery board and if the records have been brought to the Village hall. At this time the cemetery board gave their input and no concerns with records not being at the village hall. Rob shared concern that having regular hours would be beneficial and that we need to look into the records not being at the village hall, which will be sent to Paul Skaff for input.

Council and Ken Taylor had discussion on boulevard parking. Ken shared if residents need to park on the boulevard they should at least stone it. Mr. Barnhart would like the streets/zoning committee to look into boulevard parking.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45PM.

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Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor

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Stephanie Monts, Clerk