

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OTTAWA HILLS VILLAGE COUNCIL HELD IN
THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON JUNE 3, 2019 AT 7:30 PM.

Mayor Kevin Gilmore called the June 3, 2019 meeting of the Ottawa Hills Village Council to order at 7:30 pm.

Noting the absence of Clerk Treasurer Eric Shreve, Mrs. O'Connell made a motion to appoint Marc Thompson as acting Clerk Treasurer. Mr. Lewis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Roll was then taken with Edward Shimborske III, John Lewis, Rex Decker, Dana Dunbar, and Katherine O'Connell present. Also present were Mayor Kevin Gilmore, Village Solicitor Sarah McHugh, and Village Manager Marc Thompson. Councilmember Jeffrey Gibbs and Clerk Treasurer Eric Shreve were absent.

Nasrin Afjeh was also present at the meeting.

Mayor Gilmore then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. O'Connell made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2019 meeting. Mr. Decker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis provided a finance report stating that income tax revenues through May continued to be above projection by about \$300,000. He also said that year-to-date collections were ahead of 2018.

Mrs. O'Connell reported that the Safety Committee met on May 21 and that because of the meeting there is legislation on the agenda to authorize police radio purchases. She reported that the existing police radios are becoming obsolete and over the next two years mobile radios and portable radios will be replaced.

Mrs. O'Connell continued her report by describing the proposed Brookside Road closure for 2019 Halloween. She commented that by making decisions early in the year we can properly communicate with our citizens. Discussion followed regarding the Brookside Road closure and low-speed vehicles and golf carts related to Halloween.

Mayor Gilmore repeated his concern that prohibition of golf carts changes the nature of Halloween particularly in the western part of the Village. He said he had no problem with the licensed driver requirement but was concerned about the registered vehicle requirement.

In response to a question from Mrs. Dunbar, it was reported that the obsolete radios in the police department would be used in the service department.

Mrs. O'Connell continued her comments with a brief report on the fire department trial currently underway. The Safety Committee reviewed response times and found that they have increased approximately 33 seconds for all calls and have increased about one minute and five seconds for ALS calls. She reminded the Council that a decision would be necessary soon about the arrangement with the city of Toledo for fire services.

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Mrs. Dunbar reported on a recent meeting of the Services and Environment Committee. The committee reviewed several wildlife related topics including coyotes, foxes and cats. Discussion continued regarding the trap, neuter, and release programs that occur in some communities related to cat colonies. A recent edition of the email newsletter included information about coyotes and fox.

She also reported that legislation is being developed to deal with the ongoing problem of tree limbs and brush being placed at the curb.

It was requested that a three-year average be developed related to the deer count and the controlled deer hunt. This would be in advance of any decisions made regarding the deer hunt for the coming deer season.

Mr. Shimborske reported on the progress in the design of the Forestvale and Woodhill Road reconstruction project scheduled for 2020. He also mentioned potential sidewalk installations near the football field and on Orchard Road. Brief discussion followed regarding the potential for a project with the city of Toledo on Richards Road.

Mr. Decker reported that there would be a second “neighbor meeting” for Toledo citizens who live near the Dorr and Richards property. The meeting will be on Thursday at 6 PM in the elementary school gymnasium. It is anticipated that shortly after the meeting the proposed athletic field complex would be forwarded to the Toledo Planning Commission for their review.

Mrs. Dunbar reported on a recent meeting of the Visioning Committee which occurred on May 14, 2019. She mentioned the number of visitors in attendance and stated that the meeting was very positive. She reviewed some of the topics including diverse housing choices and a potential village center.

She continued by stating that the visitors present thought that the municipal property on Richards Road was the most viable place for such a development. Concern was expressed about the lack of walkable access to the location but recognition of the access to the bike path was very positive.

Mrs. Dunbar provided a definition of walkability.

She continued her report stating that after the meeting a follow-up conversation occurred with James Houk of OHM advisors. They will be putting together a proposal for our consideration.

Mrs. Dunbar also mentioned the potential for closing Evergreen Road near Kenwood and said that she would be approaching the school in this regard when appropriate.

Mayor Gilmore commented that the attendees at the visioning meeting were very engaged and very positive. He said that development at Arrowhead Point and Geresy might be very controversial and that he was particularly skittish about implications of a significant development near the school.

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Mr. Shimborske commented that an attendee at the meeting, Mr. Shawaker, suggested a two-phase development at the municipal complex, starting with residential and then adding small commercial or retail.

Mrs. Dunbar commented that the zoning was already in place at the municipal building. Mayor Gilmore commented that the group had lots of questions but was interested in the municipal location. He said he was anxious to see what Mr. Houk would come up with.

Mr. Thompson provided a brief report regarding sewer work on Forestview and the Brookside Road reconstruction project.

Mrs. Dunbar mentioned a parking issue on Edgevale Road and the importance of citizens cleaning up after their pets.

Attention then turned to legislation.

Resolution 2019-13 Authorizing the purchase of police radios and declaring an emergency.

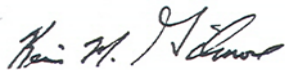
Mrs. O'Connell made a motion to waive the three-reading requirement. Mr. Lewis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mrs. O'Connell made a motion to consider the legislation as an emergency. Mr. Shimborske seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mrs. O'Connell made a motion to adopt the legislation as an emergency. Mr. Shimborske seconded the motion, and upon call of the role, the motion was adopted unanimously.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Village Council would be on July 8 at 7:30 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.



Mayor Kevin Gilmore