

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

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

Clerk Treasurer Eric Shreve took the roll with Councilmembers John Lewis, Rex Decker, Dana Dunbar, Edward Shimborske III, and Jeff Gibbs present. Mrs. O'Connell was not present but expected momentarily. Also present were Mayor Kevin Gilmore, Clerk Treasurer Eric Shreve, Village Solicitor Sarah McHugh, Police Chief John Wenzlick, and Village Manager Marc Thompson.

Mayor Gilmore then lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Gibbs made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 16th meeting. Mr. Shimborske seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis reported that the Finance Committee met recently and began budget discussion for 2020. He also reported that income tax revenues continue to be very strong through September and that we are on pace for a total of \$3,800,000 to \$4,000,000. He informed the council that the committee established a projected income tax revenue of \$3,700,000 for the 2020 budget.

Mrs. O'Connell entered the meeting at this time.

Mayor Gilmore said that \$3,700,000 may be a conservative estimate.

Mr. Lewis continued stating that the committee has recommended an acceleration of capital improvement spending particularly related to street reconstruction. Discussion at the meeting mentioned reconstructing Olde Brookside and Inlands Court in 2020, instead of 2021.

Mr. Lewis also reported on a recent change made by the state which will adversely impact our income tax revenue related to some types of deferred compensation and will necessitate a change in our income tax ordinance. That change is on the agenda for consideration by Council later in the meeting.

Mr. Gibbs reported on a recent meeting of the Environmental Task Force. A second Adopt a Natural Area location is going very well near the sledding hill and the volunteers are being extremely effective.

The restoration work in the area near Epworth Church is proceeding and approximately 90 fifth grade students will soon be participating at that location. He continued by reporting that the rain barrel workshop went very well and concluded by stating that the Village Environmental Task Force will be hosting an event intended to involve other nearby agencies, such as the Metroparks, or the city of Sylvania in improvements to the Ottawa River water quality.

In response to a question for Mrs. Dunbar, Mr. Gibbs stated that the most recent meeting did not involve discussion of improving community paths and crosswalks.

Mr. Shimborske reported that the Street Committee would be meeting soon to review a list of projects. He also reported on the status of Evergreen Road project. Discussion followed regarding restoration of the Brookside Road project. Mr. Thompson indicated that it was the

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responsibility of the contractor and that if necessary, the contractor will return in the spring to do any final work.

Mr. Decker reported on a recent meeting of the Equipment, Utilities, Buildings and Grounds Committee which included a report from Lucas County Sanitary Engineer Jim Shaw regarding the regional water efforts. Also, at that meeting, Christy Soncrant from the city of Toledo provided an update related to the lead water services. It is estimated that there are 200 to 300 lead water services in Ottawa Hills. Mr. Decker asked that the information that Mrs. Soncrant provided be forwarded to our citizens.

Solicitor McHugh reported that there are two properties which have been the subject of recent litigation. She said that one has been resolved and the other is nearly resolved.

Mayor Gilmore asked that the Safety Committee consider several right-of-way related topics including boulders, leaf piles and reflective poles. Mrs. O'Connell stated that the committee would be meeting in the near future.

Mayor Gilmore also asked that an evaluation occur related to Halloween in the areas west of Talmadge this year.

Mrs. O'Connell asked that councilmembers take an opportunity to drive past the Hope Lutheran Church electronic sign and offer their opinion. She said that it may be an issue before the Council in the future.

Mr. Decker asked that representatives from the Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority attend an upcoming Council meeting to describe the proposed TARTA Levy. Mayor Gilmore commented that Mrs. Talmage will be concluding her term as the Ottawa Hills representative on the TARTA board, and that Mr. Thompson will be taking her place at the beginning of the year.

Attention then turned to legislation.

Resolution 2019-32 Accepting the amounts and rates determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to waive the three-reading requirement. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to declare the legislation as an emergency. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to adopt the legislation. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gibbs and upon call of the roll the motion passed unanimously.

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Resolution 2019-33 Authorizing the Clerk Treasurer to draw on the County treasury
for advances against tax settlement and declaring an emergency.

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Mr. Lewis made a motion to declare the legislation as an emergency. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to adopt the legislation. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion. The roll was called, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Ordinance 2019-10 Amending Ordinance 2015-10 known as the Income Tax
Ordinance to include changes to Ohio Revised Code Section 718,
and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to waive the three-reading requirement. Mr. Gibbs seconded that motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to consider the legislation as an emergency. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis then made a motion to adopt the legislation. Mr. Gibbs seconded the motion. Roll was called and the motion was adopted unanimously.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Village Council would be on Monday, November 4th at 7:30 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.



Mayor Kevin Gilmore