

**The Village of Weston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
February 1, 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: Mrs. Ashley Patel, Mr. Dean Babcock, Mr. Dave Dewitt, Mr. Shad Kendall, Ms. Diane Hillier, and Mr. Rick Easterwood. The agenda was presented with an addition to add an executive session at the end of the meeting. *A motion to approve the January 19, 2021 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously.*

**Old Business**

No old business to report.

**Reports**

**Mayor:** Will be at streets meeting and plan to talk about reservoir and other streets agenda items, plan to have project progress reports drafted.

**Fiscal Officer/Administrative:** Newsletter is expected to go out at the end of February. Upcoming dates include: Trash Day - May 15, Spring Brush Pickup - May 3 to May 6, Garage Sales - June 4 to June 6. Working on a fall date for the end of September or beginning of October for a Fall Trash Day and garage sales.

**Administrator/Maintenance:** Not in attendance, council complimented the snow plowing throughout the Village.

**Zoning Inspector:** The resident at the new habitat home on the corner of Maple and Walnut Street is looking into putting up a privacy fence in the front yard. Ken reviewed specs with the resident and gave options on possible variance. The owner of the NW (triangular) parcel on Main Street would like to split off a portion of the property to basically mirror the property across the street, NWWSD requires that existing sanitary be extended across the new parcel as well as water main to their specifications. Will be taking pictures of the Walnut Street property to see if this can be sent to the health department, unsure if reasoning of “doesn’t look nice” would cause for a follow up from the health department.

Rob Myerholtz brought attention to the property across the street accumulating “stuff”. He had asked what can be done about all the vehicles. Ken said as long as tags are up to date and no obvious signs that the vehicle is inoperable they would not have to drive around the vehicles to prove themselves operable.

Ken also followed up with the boulevard parking, was there a decision on if there would be a requirement for stone, asphalt or grass. Mayor shared that there is a stone program being set in place that should fix the boulevard parking.

**Committee Reports**

**Safety:** Powercot loading system is in and the date of install would be 2/28/21, power cot for 914 is still on order, possible sometime in February but could possibly get a loaner. New drug license is up \$440 for 2 years. Old school property (13180 Broadway) will be marked as a landing zone for life flight and Milton is working on setting a landing zone as well. 914 has been serviced for the battery issue and new batteries installed. Garage door was busted and has been fixed. The UV light has been in use and very helpful. Would like to put old cots and equipment on GovDeals for sale. Liberty Township and Custar has paid their EMS contracts still waiting on Milton Twp, Weston Twp, and Milton Center. 2020 had 315 runs, this year so far had 11 and another one during the meeting. Looking for approval for Kristy Korb to take EMT class, the volunteer agreement needs to be signed prior to getting approval from council. *A motion to approve Kristy Korb to take EMT class was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously.*

Mayor added that there was also discussion about the short term/medium term plan to get and retain EMTs and a long term plan for Part Time/Full Time or district. Diane recommended we start getting information on what it takes to put on a part time or full time squad. The short term plan could possibly be a cash incentive, currently it is \$20/run and 2 people are usually on call. Requested that EMS Clerk, Fiscal Officer and the Finance Committee look into the possibility of \$25 or \$50/run or \$50 on call pay, maybe even a point system like what was in place with the Fire Department. A district would go on taxes with a levy. The need is for more people to be able to get the squad out versus meeting on scene.

**Upcoming Meetings:** Streets 2/2 at 6PM, Cemetery 2/4 at 6PM, Finance 2/8 at 6PM, Rec Board 2/10 (Virtual) at 6:30PM, Council Meeting 2/16 (Tuesday due to President’s Day) at 6PM, Business 2/17 at 6PM, Safety 2/25 at 5:30PM

Streets Meeting agenda will include reservoir project, splash pad, and new building. The contractors for the reservoir project would like to come back to meet with the committee and review the scope of work. Finance is at 6PM and agenda will include Main Street building demolition, new building, and look into the pay/budget Safety request.

#### **New Business**

No new business to report.

#### **Approval of Expenditures**

Council reviewed bills paid and warrants to be issued dated 1/19/2021 to 2/1/2021 totalling \$27,237.51. A motion to approve EMS payroll was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Ms. Hillier; Approved - 5, Opposed - 0, Abstained - 1, Mr. Kendall. A motion to approve the remaining bills to be paid and warrants to be issued was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.

Council did not vote to approve OML 2021 Membership for \$520, this is typically not a membership council joins due to getting the same benefits from other sources.

#### **Citizens and Visitors**

Rob Myerholtz (virtual)

Rob Myerholtz had asked what is with the hold-up with the Weston Township EMS contract? It was assumed the USPS service delays. Mr. Myerholtz also recommended the discussion for an ambulance district should start sooner than later, because what if something happens to Tim or Kathy, there would be no day coverage.

#### **Executive Session**

Mr. Babcock made a motion to enter executive session at 6:42PM to discuss progress of the Danelle Langley lawsuit, seconded by Ms. Patel; Roll Call Vote, Yes: Ms. Patel, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Dewitt, Mr. Kendall, Ms. Hillier, Mr. Easterwood. Council moved back into regular session at 6:57PM by motion of Ms. Hillier, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57PM.

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Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor

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Stephanie Monts, Clerk