

**The Village of Weston
Council Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2022**

Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor, Jeremy Schroeder at 6:00PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and presentation of the agenda. A roll call was taken: Mrs. Ashley Patel, Mr. Dean Babcock, Mr. Craig Warner, Mr. Dave Dewitt, Mr. Rob Myerholtz, and Mr. Rick Easterwood. *A motion to approve February 22, 2022 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.*

Old Business

No old business at this time.

Reports

Mayor: Reached out to Midway Animal Hospital about a program for the feral cat issue.

Fiscal Officer: The newsletter is ready for print and mailing, there were no additions or corrections requested. Survey results are coming in an ongoing link to view results was emailed, hope to get more responses when the print newsletter gets mailed. Virtual public meeting authority has been restored until June 2022, this is temporary which allows boards, council, and commissions to conduct online meetings and hearings.

Administrator/Maintenance: Not in attendance, a report was provided to the council. Mr. Myerholtz had inquired about getting together to look at the bus garage. Mayor plans to meet Wednesday around 10AM.

Zoning Inspector: The triangular lot on Main Street near Kiel/Weston Road is splitting the parcel into two pieces to possibly attract a buyer. Letters went out for expired tags/inoperable vehicles, have received some responses and re-confirmed with owners that it is only a courtesy letter.

Committee Reports

Safety: There have been no updates on contract renewal for Weston Township or Milton Center, unpaid runs are not due until April. The chief and assistant chief will be attending the April 12 finance committee meeting to discuss and brainstorm ideas for the future of EMS. The EMS training agreement has been modified by Paul Skaff to reflect that the Village cannot request reimbursement of training fees when training fees are paid with grant money as outlined by the grants committee.

Mrs. Patel inquired about the Weston Township contract. Mayor shared he has spoken with Jacob and they plan to take it to their next township meeting, and will also be discussed in the finance committee.

Public Works: Discussion on Oak Street paving, and would like to move forward on the quote. Felt like the walking path quote was too high and thought a concrete quote would be better with some sort of catch basin forecast for proper run. Locust Street paving was discussed, but would like more clarification on the maintenance building and library parking approach. The road is higher than the parking lot and discussed it would need 1 ½ " grind to be flush with parking. Would also like to make sure Morlock could have Locust Street done before the Fireman's Fest. End 25MPH signs were discussed and requested getting with the county for a price. The mosquito quote was high and needed clarification on when we bought last and how much we have used in the past, and if it is cost effective to contract out. Old bus garage needs more input on different improvement options. Need an Oak Street sidewalk quote, stormwater assessment discussion for future projects and continuing improvements, next meeting will look over mapping of existing lines and what was worked on and what can be planned for future, catch basin behind Porky's needs addressed, and infrastructure talks will continue.

Clerk shared a response regarding mosquito control. The last purchase was around 2013/2015 and the product is good for at least 2 years. Clarke Mosquito recommends purchasing a 30 gallon drum every 2-3 years and 55 gallon drum every 3-4 years. A typical year should consist of 8-10 applications; Weston has typically only applied 1-2x/year. Mr. Babcock asked if mosquito spraying is even necessary, if there is a mosquito problem it is due to something on your property. This could be hazardous to pollinators and would like the council to consider if it is truly necessary. A lot of local towns have stopped doing mosquito spraying. Mayor suggested we could possibly work with the health department to provide and/or purchase tablets for the standing water to give to residents.

Cemetery: Updated the board on steps done by Palmer Excavating. Will obtain updated pricing on sealing from Rutter & Dudley. Approved PO for repair of steps done by Palmer Excavating.

Mr. Myerholtz asked if the board requested competitive bids for the steps, and the Mayor responded that they did not.

Upcoming Meetings: Finance 3/8 at 6PM, Rec Board 3/9 at 6:30PM, Economic & Community Development 3/16 at 6PM

New Business

No new business at this time.

Approval of Expenditures

Council reviewed payment listing for February 23, 2022 - March 7, 2022 totalling \$15,133.89, with a motion to approve made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.

ESO Invoice, formerly known as Emergency Reporting, was reviewed and a motion to approve \$2,720.74 payment was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.

Miscellaneous Business

Mr. Dewitt inquired about the status of the reservoir repair project, and the Mayor informed him that the capital budget grant to ODNR was submitted.

Citizens & Visitors

Shirley Moore

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27PM.

Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor

Stephanie Monts, Fiscal Officer/Clerk