

**The Village of Weston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
February 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. Rob Myerholtz, and Mr. Rick Easterwood. *A motion to excuse Mr. Dave Dewitt from quorum (attending virtually) was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously. A motion to approve January 18, 2021 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.*

**Public Presentation/Hearing(s)**

Tom Stalter, Chuck Latta, Garret Chamberlain, and Mark Sheffer were in attendance on behalf of the Northwestern Water and Sewer District to review and answer questions about the District Master Plan. The NWWSD master plan is updated every 5 years and its purpose is to plan for the future. NWWSD can be a good resource beyond water/sewer services. They are willing to partner with street maintenance for grants, which helps with the points grading system. Went over the cost of a water tap, which ranges \$10,000-\$15,000 depending on frontage. Tom shared he can provide a fact sheet for someone developing in town and would like to invite him to one of the Economic & Community Development committee meetings. Council also shared their interest in having a WaterShed, the Village Hall has an old/unused bathroom that would be a great location. Council also shared the frustration of sewer work after a road has been paved, and would like to set guidelines for the District to follow when patching. Sign up for AquaHawk to keep track of your usage or set alerts for high usage.

**Old Business**

Resolution 2022-4 declaring property (Silver St debris pile) a nuisance, received a second reading.

Resolution 2022-3 approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Toledo Edison LED street lighting agreement, received a second reading.

Ordinance 2022-1 amending cemetery sexton compensation, received a final reading. *A motion for passage of Ordinance 2022-1 was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.*

**Reports**

***Fiscal Officer:*** Audit process is beginning, will be going through a full audit. Need the detailed quote and drawing from Ground Solutions to submit the application for the Reservoir Capital Budget project which is due before the end of the month. County is willing to come and do a quick training session during a council meeting. Council asked how long it would take before setting a training date. Outstanding check letters have been mailed to everyone except two individuals we are still tracking addresses down on.

***Administrator/Maintenance:*** Working on getting another estimate for the Village Hall door, current quotes provided were \$6,500 for a basic commercial glass handicap door with key entry, and fob entry is \$7,500. Council requested a keypad entry versus a fob, Harold will get more details on the door entry. Design for Welcome Signs was presented and quote from Westridge Artsign is \$494/sign, posts and concrete will be done in house. Council requested getting an estimated cost on installation of the signs.

There was a question on a vehicle "helping" plow. Nobody knew who it was and brought up the concern of liability and removing salt that was already put down. Harold was instructed to figure out who the individual was and at least put the person on the snow plow list being built.

***Zoning Inspector:*** 14 informal letters have been mailed out to vehicle owners with 2021 tags, this is considered inoperable. 13241 Main Street may have a zoning appeal, owner wants to make the building into two living quarters, there are many zoning issues including parking.

Mr. Myerholtz brought up the need for a zoning code update. There are no guidelines if a developer wants to come in. There was no response from council on the request to get the zoning ordinance up to date and possibly model after Haskin's code.

**Committee Reports**

***Economic & Community Development:*** Did not discuss zoning, wasn't sure what to talk about. TMobile Grant was discussed and would request \$25-50K but will need history of the town, population, and the grant has to be used to benefit the community. Discussed reaching out to property owners if they need help with upkeep or willing to sell, especially lands and/or properties that are industrial. Discussed how to get the community involved, such as a community block party to let the community come meet and greet with council members and ask questions. Started brainstorming ideas for TMobile Grant such as upgrading the maintenance building since we host events there, building onto the current Village Hall for a community center, outdoor restrooms/water fountain at the ballpark, open to other suggestions. Nominated Weston Market for Newsletter Business Spotlight.

Harold shared he has about half of the building painted and wants to get a mural painted of the state of Ohio with a start for Weston in the main bay.  
Ashley & Craig plan to attend one of the WCEDC meetings.

**Safety:** 31 runs as of meeting date. Custar, Milton Twp, Liberty Twp have paid EMS contract and still waiting for contracts from Weston Township and Milton Center. Stryker Service Quotes for PowerPRO and LowerLOAD units were reviewed with Option #1 \$2,588 preferred, there was a correspondence shared between Chief and Matt (agent with Stryker). Decided against the CodeRed subscription and HotSpot upgrade.

Mr. Myerholtz and Mr. Easterwood shared their thoughts on the Stryker Service quotes, and due to time constraints of the council meeting discussion was tabled until the next meeting for more discussion.

**Upcoming Meetings:** Rec Board 2/9 at 6:30PM, Finance was moved to 2/21 at 6PM, Economic & Community Development was moved to 2/18 at 5PM. Next council meeting is 2/22 at 6PM due to Presidents Day.

### **New Business**

Ordinance 2022-3 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, received an emergency reading. *A motion to suspend the rules for emergency reading of Ordinance 2022-3 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Warner; Roll Call Vote, Yes: Mrs. Patel, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Warner, Mr. Myerholtz, Mr. Easterwood. A motion for passage of Ordinance 2022-3 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.*

Ordinance 2022-4 2022 Ohio Basic Code Edition, received an emergency reading. *A motion to suspend the rules for emergency reading of Ordinance 2022-4 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Warner; Roll Call Vote, Yes: Mrs. Patel, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Warner, Mr. Myerholtz, Mr. Easterwood. A motion for passage of Ordinance 2022-3 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved unanimously.*

Resolution 2022-5 to authorize the Mayor to sign a work agreement with Wood County Commissioners, received an emergency reading. *A motion to suspend the rules for emergency reading of Resolution 2022-5 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Warner; Roll Call Vote, Yes: Mrs. Patel, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Warner, Mr. Myerholtz, Mr. Easterwood. Mayor recommended \$10,000 for Fleet Maintenance and \$2,500 for Street Signs on the agreement. A motion for passage of Resolution 2022-5 was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved unanimously.*

### **Approval of Expenditures**

Council reviewed payment listing for January 19, 2022 - February 7, 2022 totalling \$20,462.56, with a motion to approve made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved unanimously.

A motion to approve \$512 Stryker invoice for emergency replacement of an oxygen cable was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Easterwood; Approved unanimously.

### **Citizens & Visitors**

Jessica Susor, Peggy VanGundy

Peggy was in attendance to ask for help with the feral cat issue. Cannot get into Humane Ohio and the Wood County Humane Society is \$49. Mayor will have a committee do more research and reach out to Mayor Shanahan in Tontogany as he has been brainstorming ideas for the cat problem downtown.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59PM.

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Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor

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Stephanie Monts, Fiscal Officer/Clerk