

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held October 17

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**The Village of Weston
Council Meeting Minutes**

October 17, 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 request to add Ordinance 2022-27, amending appropriations, to new business was made. 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 October 3, 2022 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.*

Old Business

Ordinance 2022-24, establishing stop intersections, received a final reading. *Mr. Myerholtz made a motion for passage of Ordinance 2022-24, seconded by Mrs. Patel; Approved unanimously.*

Reports

Attendance: Stephanie Monts (Fiscal Officer), Ken Taylor (Zoning Inspector), Harold Boggs (Administrator)

Mayor: Shared he will be in the office every Wednesday until the end of the year.

Fiscal Officer: Taylor Street culvert project went out to bid, sealed bids will be accepted until and opened at 11am Friday, October 28th for anyone that would like to be in attendance for that. A reminder that brush pick-up is October 24-27. Mulch spreading day is Saturday starting at 11am. Halloween costume party and trick or treat is October 29th. Only 3 people have signed up for Reach Alert since the newsletter went out, and need to find better ways to get people signed up. Will be out of the office on Wednesday with limited availability. One ordinance book has been run through the document scanner, which took about 4-5 hours to scan all the pages, review the pages for duplicates or missing pages, exporting to searchable pdf and then making sure the search works.

Administrator: Line from storm drain to storm drain behind Porky's has been connected. Will be working on putting in a catch basin between the ball diamonds this week.

Zoning Inspector: No permits have been issued since the previous report. Sent an email to Paul regarding Silver St property east of Lawndale, there have been no changes to the area since the last email to him, property now has a for sale sign on it. Violation letters were sent: 2 grass, pickup truck with 3 flat tires, boat/trailer no plates, trash throughout the boulevard, junk in boulevard, couches in boulevard, and sent a letter to the owners of 20542 Elm for junk. Received an email regarding open permits and violations for 13405 Center St, Stephanie has taken care of the response. Called the Lawndale maintenance man regarding cleanup, he reported that he had been in contact with the owners in August with a bid from a local contractor, to date has not received a response, he is also trying to get asphalt repaired and owners are not returning his calls/emails. Sent an email to the property on Main Street that received a variance for living quarters in the back and office space in the front due after receiving information that there has been a lot of traffic in and out of the front door, but no offices that we are aware of. Council did not declare any properties a nuisance for legal action.

Committee Reports

Public Works: Discussed using leftover ARPA funds for addressing catch basin issues, possible future catch basin project around Clark/Locust Street. The price quote for Main Street came in way over budget, and will reach out for other company estimates. Harold requested to double the crackseal product next year and start in June. Discussed 2023 walkway project by ball diamonds to Dollar General. Would like to look into a small backhoe to upgrade but still be able to do what needs done around town. Plan to open the spare bathroom at the Village hall to the public. Need to see if the Finance committee can provide a bigger budget for paving.

Cemetery: Ken Taylor has submitted a letter of resignation as part-time cemetery maintenance, board reached out to the other applicant, Benjamin Torres, who accepted. Reviewed preliminary budget numbers provided by the fiscal officer.

Rec Board: Reviewed 2023 budget that was submitted, obtaining quotes for phase 2 of picnic shelter for the WCPD grant, and discussed Halloween party details. Board asked for direction on responsibility regarding necessary repairs that were in violation. Harold has already addressed most of the repairs.

Upcoming Meetings: Economic & Community Development 10/19 at 5PM, Finance 10/26 at 6:30PM, Safety 10/27 at 5:30PM, Personnel & Policies 10/27 at 6PM, Public Works 11/2 at 6PM, Cemetery 11/3 at 6PM

New Business

Council reviewed a draft ordinance for prohibiting feeding of nuisance animals, confinement of domestic animals, and trap neuter/spay release program. Council shared concern on how this will be enforced. Ordinance will be sent to Paul Skaff for review.

Ordinance 2022-26, amending the rate schedule for Weston EMS services, received a first reading.

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Ordinance 2022-27 received an emergency reading, making supplemental appropriations for Clerk Insurance Benefits. Mr. Warner made a motion to suspend the rules for emergency reading of Ordinance 2022-27, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Roll Call Vote, Yes: Mrs. Patel, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Dewitt, Mr. Warner, Mr. Myerholtz, Mr. Easterwood. A motion for passage of Ordinance 2022-27 was made by Mrs. Patel, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved unanimously.

Approval of Expenditures

Council reviewed payment listing totalling \$48,112.18, with a motion to approve made by Mrs. Patel, seconded by Mr. Myerholtz; Approved unanimously.

Miscellaneous Business

A motion to submit the Suburban Natural Gas grant for Trap, Neuter/Spay, Return program was made by Mrs. Patel, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.

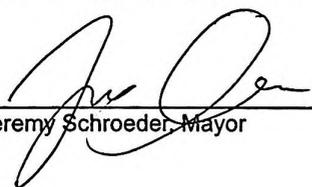
Hunter Brown shared that Nick Wainwright will be taking over for him as the Village's prosecutor. The contract terms will still be the same, just billed through Leatherman & Witzler Law offices. A motion to accept Nick Wainwright as the Village's prosecutor was made by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.

Mr. Myerholtz requested that one of the township trustees needs to present this \$14,000 EMS rent contract. He asked what the rationale/reasoning behind this contract is? Mayor shared he had received a call from Jacob Brown asking if we would approve the contract, but Paul Skaff has not received the contract. Mr. Easterwood shared that EMS has never paid rent, but did pay 1/3 of the utilities in the past. It was also shared that the deal was the Village gave the land and the township took the levy to build. Council requested copies of both levies and any formal document that confirms the deal. Mayor added that the way the \$14,000 came up was paying 1/2 utilities, \$6,000 honorarium, and \$4,000 building maintenance. The Mayor stated the Township was offered the \$6,000 honorarium points but they did not accept. Mr. Myerholtz stated that we already pay the utilities through taxes, and this is doing a disservice to the taxpayers/voters. Mr. Myerholtz also added that Weston Township has the cheapest EMS service.

Citizens & Visitors

No citizens or visitors in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28PM.


Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor


Stephanie Monts, Fiscal Officer/Clerk