

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held

June 5

2023

**The Village of Weston
Council Meeting Minutes**

June 5, 2023

Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeremy Schroeder at 6:01PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and presentation of the agenda. A roll call was taken: Ms. Jessica Susor, Mr. Dean Babcock, Mr. Craig Warner, Mr. Dave DeWitt, Mr. Rob Myerholtz, and Mr. Rick Easterwood. *A motion to approve May 15, 2023 council meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Babcock; Approved unanimously.*

Old Business

Ordinance 2023-8 was reviewed and changed significantly from the original, and received a first reading. This ordinance covers private property not right of way. Mayor asked Paul Skaff if right of way junk can be fast tracked like the grass/weeds ordinance. Paul indicated that the property can not be assessed if there is no judgment. Mayor shared the right of way maintenance section in the municipal code will need to be updated.

Resolution 2023-7 received a second reading.

Resolution 2023-6 received a second reading.

A special committee was recommended to review the suggestions for Council rules updates. Committee was assigned to Mr. DeWitt, Mr. Myerholtz, Ms. Susor and scheduled June 13, 2023 at 6PM.

Reports

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

Mayor: Walked town with Brittney K. to promote events and Reach Alert and received various suggestions. Met with Harold and did work on the 235 sign and put in disc golf tee pads. Attended Administrative Process committee, Community Development committee, and Cemetery Board meetings. Met with Rose Searcy on May 26th and discussed a compromise with the junk pile and information for a fence permit. Weston Day was June 3rd.

Fiscal Officer: Received many calls from residents concerned about the Toledo Edison rate hike, explained the aggregate program and the majority of the calls received shared that they opted-out. Aspen Energy, who manages our Aggregate Program, was able to secure a rate of \$0.0487 per kWh through supplier Dynegy Energy Services (East) in 2021 through May 2024. Toledo Edison standard service offer rates are going to go up significantly over the next year starting in June. The high utility rate began two years ago when the severe cold snap hit Texas in addition to the current world events along with increasing energy generation and transmission costs. The electricity aggregation program will continue to benefit the residents moving forward and eligible participants may opt-in or opt-out of the Village's aggregate program at no fee by contacting Jay Sell with Aspen Energy or Dynegy directly, referring to the Village of Weston Aggregate Program. Culvert replacement project is expected to begin soon, signs have been placed.

Administrator: Morlock plans on paving in June. Harold brought up an issue with Gary working out at the cemetery and that this needs to be discussed, Jeremy shared that he has spoken with Gary and Mark. Jeremy added that he received a call from the Sheriff regarding a tree down in the senior mobile home park; they currently do not have a maintenance man, and instructed Harold to clean up the park in the road.

A deputy arrived at the council meeting and the Mayor indicated there have been some issues with moped riders, not of driving age, operating in an unsafe manner. Mr. Myerholtz also added that people are not stopping at the stop sign at Oak Street/Silver St intersection.

Zoning Inspector: Received a phone call about a fence from 20305 Taylor Street. Reminded Dollar General about the weed issue over the septic system, due to the letters and communications being ignored Harold mowed that septic area today. 20440 Locust St called regarding having the inoperable vehicle towed. List of 8 properties were sent to Stephanie regarding grass/weeds, and 6 inoperable vehicles. Attended the re-zone request hearing. Signed a fence permit for 20539 Ohio St and 20525 Evon Lane. Spoke with the attorney representing Habitat for Humanity regarding the required set-backs and lot size in an R1 district. Met with property owner on Maple Street regarding a permit for an accessory structure. Center Street has junk in the boulevard, the trash from NAT was taken but the remaining junk was still there.

Committee Reports

Administrative Process: Discussed future of road paving appropriations and reviewed Main Street quotes. Reviewed General Fund pie chart vs appropriations and projections for next year. Discussed OPWC Main St. paving, have a Kleinfelder representative attend the July Public Works meeting. Reviewed the status of Taylor St. culvert project. Will work on summarizing the survey from BGSU and present it to council. Working on a more efficient method for advertising opportunities on the 235 sign.

Community Development & Public Affairs: Further refined the definitions of junk, trash, yard waste, and litter in ORD 2023-8 to make it ready for a first reading. Short discussion on the feral cat ordinance.

Planning Commission: Public Hearing was held regarding a re-zone request for 20425 Taylor Street from R1 to R2 in order to accommodate 6 new 2 bedroom units. Letters of dissent were read aloud from Shelby McClellan, Penny Taylor, and Duncan & Stephanie Monts. Citizens disagreeing with the re-zone and their reasoning were also heard. All questions and concerns were answered by Tyler Getz. The Planning Commission's recommendation is to approve the re-zone from R1 to R2 for 20425 Taylor Street by vote: Mr. Schroeder - Yes, Ms. Moore - Yes, Mrs. Clanton - Yes, Mr. Desmond - Yes, Mr. DeWitt - Abstain.

Council had some brief discussion regarding the hearing and parking plan concerns. Council scheduled a Public Hearing for the recommendation from Planning Commission for the re-zone of R1 to R2 for 20425 Taylor Street on Monday, July 24, 2023 at 6PM.

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Public Works: 2024 streets budget will be around \$100,000, this includes 2023 carryover. Would like to get with Kleinfelder for an action plan for OPWC opportunities for Main Street Business, Main Street Residential, and Taylor Street; and which option would be best. Village Hall roof will be referred back to Finance, direction should come from the Administrator and Council once the funds are determined. Oak Street Safety Corridor/Walking Path will be referred to TMACOG. Harold is going to work on the Silver Street/Cresset catch basin for drainage coming from Oak Street to ditch off of Silver.

Mr. Myerholtz added that he spoke with Bob Desmond after the Planning Commission hearing regarding the federal level infrastructure bill and another grant opportunity that Mr. Desmond is researching.

Safety: Decision was made to allow the ice cream truck to continue to play music, the ice cream truck is not conflicting with the noise ordinance. Would like to adopt the Medicount Hardship policy and change the minimum monthly payment from \$50 per month to \$25 per month. EMS fee schedule needs amended to state that the charges are the same across the board and that the refused run should say non-transport, rather than refusal. Approved the purchase of 2 iPad pros for EMT reporting as well as mountable rugged cases and Apple Care, approx. \$1,200/each. 153 runs as of May 23, 2023. *A motion to approve 2 iPad Pros, AppleCare, and mountable rugged cases was made by Mr. Easterwood, seconded by Mr. Myerholtz; Approved unanimously.*

Cemetery: Discussed vandalism occurring at the holding vault and the potential for a camera to be installed by Harold. Voted to pay to have the porta-john roof replaced. Spring foundation pours have been completed. Mark Sheffer will get estimates to have the front gate repaired. Voted to place the WPA outhouse for sale on GovDeals. Mark Sheffer will attend to supervise pond and grounds cleanup at the cemetery for Weston Day. Voted to refund the Donald's for a Palmer Brother's invoice that was misinterpreted. Robin Kaiser will contact the historical society to begin preparation for a Halloween Lantern Tour.

Mr. Myerholtz asked about the status of the records. Ms. Susor expressed she hasn't heard anything since she has been attending meetings. The Mayor added there is only one other book that needs to be scanned. Mr. Easterwood asked about the mowing at the cemetery and the Mayor shared he has spoken with the cemetery board about adding additional seasonal people to mow. Another question was asked on hiring cemetery employees and who approves those employees, the sexton or the board. Clerk added that new employees for the cemetery would have to be approved by the cemetery board because the sexton does not have hiring authority like the Village Administrator. Mr. Easterwood also suggested a seasonal person be considered and shared between the Village and the Cemetery.

Upcoming Meetings: Administrative Process Canceled, Rec Board 6/14 at 6:30PM, Community Development & Public Affairs 6/15 at 5PM; and next council meeting is Tuesday, June 20th due to Juneteenth

New Business

No new business at this time.

Approval of Expenditures

Council reviewed payment listing totalling \$39,758.19, with a motion to approve made by Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Warner; Approved unanimously.

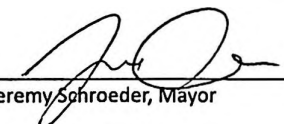
Citizens & Visitors

Shirley Moore, Brittney Klockowski, Kellee Downard, WCSO Deputy

Brittney Klockowski was in attendance to share that she will help the Village clean up the graffiti on the playground equipment if the Village would supply the supplies needed. Harold shared he has the supplies and that Ms. Klockowski can stop at the maintenance building to pick them up.

Kellee Downard was in attendance regarding a few questions. First question asked was if ice cream/food trucks are allowed in the Village, which they are without a permit. The next question asked was to get council's thought process on why the Village is allowing fireworks in town when other big cities have banned them, council shared that they have talked to other residents and they do not have an issue. Kellee also shared she has many questions about the re-zone request and logistics of apartments, council and Shirley Moore spoke great about the property owners (the Getz's). Kellee shared she would not be able to attend the public hearing and asked if she could send an email with all her questions about the re-zone. Kellee also wanted to praise the great job that Rec Board is doing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22PM.


Jeremy Schroeder, Mayor


Stephanie Monts, Fiscal Officer/Clerk