

January 12, 2021

This is a report of the regular meeting and public hearing for additional appropriations of the Rossville Town Council at the Rossville Town Hall on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

On call of the roll: David Severt, Jack Fingerle, and William Croto.

Also present were Robert Shaffer, Chad Colby, Rhonda Valentine, and Janilyn Layton.

The Public Hearing to consider Additional Appropriation Resolution 2021-01 was opened for public comments. There being no comments, Jack Fingerle made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation Resolution 2021-01 on all readings, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council. Jack Fingerle made a motion to close the Public Meeting, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Rhonda Valentine appeared before the Council to continue the discussion of the wastewater lines behind the properties of Mabel Champley and Rick Helvie that connect to the Town's wastewater lines. The lines had been installed several years ago by previous owners who were no longer available to question and no recorded easement. Robert Shaffer stated that due to the amount of time that has lapsed, it could be considered a prescriptive easement and be grandfathered in.

Dave Severt advised Council in Travis Harris' absence that the chickens and roosters are now gone from E. North St. There was a continued trash issue at the Brown St. apartments. The trash hauler had been contacted a week prior to January 12, 2021 to dump the dumpster and as a January 12th the dumpster had not been dumped causing a complaint to be filed. There was discussion of possibly billing each apartment for their trash and doing away with the dumpster. Discussions will continue.

Chad Colby discussed applying for the Community Crossing Grant. Steven Ray will be assisting with the grant. Council approved the following areas to resurface:

- W. Ramey Street from west side of N. Gaddis to 100 ft. west of Meadow Ct.
- N. Gaddis St. from intersection of W. Ramey to Merrill St.
- Meadow Ct.
- Rainbow Ct.
- Rainbow Dr. from W. Ramey St. to 600 feet north

The Town's portion of the grant would be in the amount of \$39,027.00. Bill Croto made a motion to approve proceeding with the grant application for the Community Crossing Grant. Chad also presented to Council options for meters and handheld replacement due to the current handheld failure. He also discussed the need to confer with the engineer to rehabilitate the W. Ramey St. tower before taking the park tower down.

Ordinance 2020-07, an ordinance to amend the current street ordinance, was presented to Council for second reading. Jack Fingerle made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-07 on second reading and suspend the rules and approve on third reading, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Jack Fingerle made a motion to continue paying salaries to employees that have been exposed or have been diagnosed with COVID and not require the employee to use PTO or compensatory time, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Council was informed that all entities had paid their portion for the replacement air bottles for the Rossville Volunteer Fire Department.

Dates were discussed as to when Liz Stitzel, Clinton County Area Plan, could have the annual Small Town Advisory Meeting.

Dave Severt informed Council DLZ Engineering would be at the next Council meeting to discuss a long term plan for the park.

Voucher Register was approved as presented.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

David Severt, President of the Council

Attest: _____

Patricia McIlrath
Clerk Treasurer
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