

LOUDONVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

April 2, 2018

The Loudonville Village Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, April 2, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Loudonville Fire Station. Mayor Steve Stricklen called the meeting to order and answering roll call were Mr. Bill Welsh, Mrs. Traci Cooper, Mr. Tom Young, Mr. Michael Robinson, Mr. Jason Van Sickle and Mr. Tom Gallagher. Also in attendance at the meeting were Village Solicitor Thom Gilman, Village Administrator Curt Young, Fiscal Officer Elaine Van Horn, Fire Chief Mike Carey, Police Chief Kevin Taylor, Brad Dilgard, Kristin Wilson, and Loudonville Times Reporter Jim Brewer.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Stricklen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Council Minutes – March 19, 2018: Councilwoman Cooper moved the minutes be approved as presented. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, abstain. Motion carried.

GUESTS:

Verizon Small Cell: Council took no action on the written request from Mr. Eric Schmid, Site Acquisition Specialist representing Verizon, asking for approval to place a Verizon Small Cell on the utility pole at Main and Wood adjacent to the Library to improve cell service in the area. Mr. Schmid was not present at the meeting, and Council did not initiate active discussion to grant or deny approval based on the written request. Councilman Robinson stated there were areas around town that lacked strong cell service. Councilwoman Cooper stated that she felt the small cell concept was not obtrusive.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Expression of Sympathy: Mayor Stricklen and Council expressed condolences to the family of Maintenance Superintendent John Burkhart on the passing of his father, Merl Burkhart.

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTION 18-2018

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT THROUGH THE MILTON R. AND BEULAH M. YOUNG FOUNDATION FOR FUNDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LOUDONVILLE SWIMMING POOL.

This was the third reading of Resolution 18-2018.

ADOPTION VOTE

Councilwoman Cooper moved that Resolution No. 18-2018 be passed as read. Second by Councilman Gallagher. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Young, abstain; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 22-2018

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF VILLAGE REAL ESTATE FORMERLY KNOWN AS PART OF WALLY ROAD IN THE VILLAGE OF LOUDONVILLE, ASHLAND COUNTY, OHIO.

EMERGENCY MEASURE VOTE

Councilwoman Cooper moved to suspend the rules and Councilman Welsh seconded that Ordinance No. 22-2018 be declared an emergency measure and that the rules of the law, which require an ordinance to be read on three different days, be suspended with respect to Ordinance No. 22-2018. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION VOTE

Councilwoman Cooper moved that Ordinance No. 22-2018 be passed as read. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Library Park Usage Request: Councilman Welsh reported that he spoke with Librarian Kristin Wilson regarding their request to use Central Park on May 4. He noted that Library is partnering with the State Library of Ohio to host a workshop for librarians, and they were requesting to use the park for some of the activities. Councilman Welsh moved to approve the request. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Welsh, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

LYA Park Usage Request: Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve the request from the Loudonville Youth Association to use the Riverside and Wally Road ballfields between April 1 and August 4 for the summer youth baseball and softball programs. Second by Councilman Van Sickle. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment: Mayor Stricklen announced the appointment of Marvin Sprang to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He noted that Mr. Sprang had previously served on the Loudonville ZBA and is knowledgeable of the Loudonville Village zoning regulations. He further commented that Mr. Sprang had also served on the Perrysville Village Council when he was a resident there, indicative of his commitment to community service. Councilwoman Cooper moved to confirm the appointment. Second by Councilman Gallagher. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

Mohican Area Growth Foundation Support: Mayor Stricklen asked Council to consider contributing \$10,000 to the Mohican Area Growth Foundation, noting that was the amount contributed in 2017. He stated that he was pleased with the focus that MAGF provides on economic growth in Loudonville. Councilwoman Cooper concurred, noting that Executive Director Kathy Goon was exceptional at promoting the area and at working to increase jobs and business opportunities. Councilwoman Cooper moved to authorize the Village Solicitor to prepare legislation authorizing a \$10,000 contribution to the Mohican Area Growth Foundation. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

DONOR RECOGNITION:

Loudonville Theatre & Arts Committee In-Kind Donation: Mayor Stricklen read a Certificate of Appreciation to be presented to LTAC for their in-kind donation of equipment to the Loudonville Ohio Theatre valued at \$43,000.

Terry Weirick Donation: Mayor Stricklen read a Certificate of Appreciation to be presented to Mr. Weirick for his monetary donation of \$400 to the Loudonville Tree Commission, recorded in the Adopt-a-Tree Program.

Theatre Support: Mayor Stricklen thanked the Fire Department for their assistance in providing additional fire safety coverage during the theatre's full occupancy movie over the weekend. Chief Carey responded with an expression of recognition to Theatre Consultant Sally Hallenbach, noting that he felt she is doing an outstanding job running the theatre. Mayor Stricklen concurred, and encouraged all Council members to visit the theatre if they have not yet done so.

CLAIMS ORDINANCE 2018-07:

Claims Ordinance 2018-07 was presented for approval. Councilman Welsh moved to approve Claims Ordinance 2018-07. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Welsh, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Young, yes;
Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Mr. Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

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ADJOURN: With no further business to be brought before Council, Councilman Gallagher moved the meeting be adjourned at 6:16 PM. Second by Councilwoman Cooper. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Mr. Gallagher, yes; Mrs. Cooper, yes; Mr. Welsh, yes;
Mr. Young, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; Mr. Van Sickle, yes; Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor