

LOUDONVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

April 2, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING

Loudonville Village Council met for a special meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 6 p.m. via teleconference (Zoom Meeting ID: 118222846) Mayor Stricklen called the meeting to order. Answering roll call were Mr. Bill Welsh, Mr. Tom Young, Mr. Jason Van Sickle, Mr. Tom Gallagher, Mrs. Cathy Lance, and Mr. Matt Young. Also in attendance at the meeting were Village Administrator Curt Young, Fiscal Officer Elaine Van Horn, Village Solicitor Thom Gilman, Loudonville Times Reporter Jim Brewer, and Ashland Source Reporter Tracy Leturgey.

**LEGISLATION:**

**ORDINANCE 10-2020  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 220.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF LOUDONVILLE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Solicitor Gilman explained that the temporary revisions to Section 220.01 are required so that the Village Council can continue to have meetings while following the safe-distance directives of the State during the Covid 19 pandemic. He further explained that Rule 13 provides for a procedure for individuals to submit comments, questions, and concerns to the Village in writing rather than allow visitors to speak out freely during a teleconference meeting, which he noted could be difficult in that setting. He stated that the Mayor and Council can authorize citizens to participate to make comments, but the rule discourages an open forum for all guests at the Village Council teleconference in an effort to maintain an effectual meeting. He again reiterated that the changes to Section 220.01 are temporary during the pandemic crisis. It was noted that the Zoom free program allows for up to 100 people to join a teleconference that can last up to 40 minutes in length.

**VOTE TO SUSPEND THE RULES**

Councilman Van Sickle moved to suspend the rules of the law, which require an ordinance to be read on three different days, for Ordinance 10-2020. Councilman Welsh seconded the motion. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Jason Van Sickle, yes; Bill Welsh, yes; Tom Young, yes;  
Cathy Lance, yes; Tom Gallagher, yes; Matt Young, yes. Motion carried.

**ADOPTION VOTE**

Councilman Van Sickle moved that Ordinance No. 10-2020 be passed as read. Second by Councilman Welsh. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Jason Van Sickle, yes; Bill Welsh, yes; Tom Young, yes;  
Cathy Lance, yes; Tom Gallagher, yes; Matt Young, yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:** With no further business to be brought before Council, Councilman Matt Young moved the meeting be adjourned at 6:06 PM. Second by Councilwoman Lance. A roll call upon said motion resulted as follows:

Matt Young, yes; Cathy Lance, yes; Bill Welsh, yes;  
Tom Young, yes; Jason Van Sickle, yes; Tom Gallagher, yes. Motion carried.

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**Fiscal Officer**

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**Mayor**