

THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

Record of Proceedings

May 6, 2021

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Council President, Josh Leber
Council Member, Shawn Hall
Council Member, Lori Johnston
Council Member, Ray Zaker
Council Member, Linda Wildman
Council Member, Chris Lahman

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in regular session on the 15th day of April 2021 at 7:00pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor Josh Leber and all in attendance were asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Lahman made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2021 regular meeting and Lori seconded it.

Roll Call:

Yes: Hall, Johnston, Zaker, Wildman, and
Lahman

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUEST(S)

None in attendance

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT -Chuck Broshious

Not in attendance.

Chris did bring forth to council that there are 1 or 2 suspects for the vandalism at the Park and that the police department are working on the investigation. As to the damages done at the park, John told council that the door replacement in the Men's bathroom is being scheduled with Northwood Door and that the toilet paper dispenser has been replaced in the Women's bathroom.

FIRE CHIEF -Tom Wildman

Not in attendance.

Lori asked that Linda speak to Tom in regards to the Car Show at Wayne and the car show for the Village of Bradner and that flyers be taken over to the Wayne car show as to help push it to the public for ours.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ordinance 6-2021 – First Reading. An ordinance to amend Chapter 181 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio regarding filing and remittance deadlines for municipal income tax of the Village of Bradner.

BUSINESS OF THE MAYOR-

In the absence of the Mayor, Tammy Kreais, Josh Leber, Council President presented council with information on her behalf.

- a. Ambulance Agreement with Perry Twp.: The info provided as of 5/4/2021 email. Per John, Corey, the town solicitor is going to speak to the Asst. Prosecutor. Per Linda: this agreement was approved months ago and then revisions were penciled in. Corey is the final step with approval.
- b. Letter from Bob Latta: Regarding New Fire Station with his intention to be for the building of it but has no financial gain to he or his family through the appropriation. Lori questioned as to the intent of the letter as Latta supported the project or not. Linda said yes Bob does, the letter was just a formality as it will not be a benefit to him in any way.

John stated that State Representatives each year can present projects to the State, and it is not yet a guarantee but that the representative themselves do not have any gain by the said project they are presenting. A lot goes into planning and financial aspects. We are at least at the first step or hurdle in the process next is to hear back from the State as funding in appropriations of projects brought forth by the representatives, how much is available and then what goes as far as loan or possible grants to finish it.

Linda asked council each and everyone of them if they are for this? As it takes everyone to be for it and support it for it to happen. She expressed concern as to how much hard work it has taken for this and how without support from council how it can affect support of those in the community if the council isn't for it. Lori said yes, she is for the grant, it is awesome and it is the best news to her for sure. She asked Linda if that is what she was asking and Linda said that it is but also if they had to find other ways to fund the building of the new station would the fire department have the council's backing. Lori said she is okay with a levy renewal and okay with what she is paying on it now but if with the grant there would be new on taxes then no as she had expressed before. Josh said he agreed with Lori on the tax. If there were a levy for a Public Safety Building he would be inclined to go with that because it benefits 2 entities of our Village. He hopes all goes well with this but to have a levy just for it, he couldn't back it. How could we as council ask villagers for more tax money for a fire

station when the roads are in such need of repair? Shawn agreed with Josh and expressed that our roads do come first. Josh again stated there are priorities to go at such as infrastructure and that kind of stuff before fire station. Linda then asked if say only a partial grant is received, can we bring a levy up of the tax that we have to standard for it possibly hasn't been done since the 80's as many other surrounding fire departments have done so over the years? The fire department needs the new station for there is not enough room for the equipment and trucks. Chris is all for a new fire station as it is needed with a grant that covers a huge chunk of it. Yes, it will be a number decision/financially doable by the town at the time it comes through. He is not against a levy as long as it is not huge. He stated that when he was on council before that he was against the new fire station because of how it was presented. He said that Chief Wildman has come down with the numbers as first proposed years ago to council and that it is on the needs of the fire department. Ray says it comes down to health and well fare of the fire fighters, damage of the equipment and something needs to be done.

- c. Dept of Public Safety Memorandum: Stating that Ohio Law has recently changed that an individual being charged can elect to do community service with a form if unable to pay reinstating fees. It is done by a case to case decision. Lori asked John what he thought of this and he said there is always clean up to be done.
- d. Notice to Legislative Authorities, Objections to Renewal of a Liquor Permit: Council has authority to object or approve under Ohio Revised Code Section 4303.27(B), also Police Chief has a say as well. Letter states that the current Liquor Permit expires on 7/1/2021. Council asked for more information to which address this letter is in regards to as no specifics were listed. It has been done in the past as far as approval by council just not every year as recalled by council members. Angie will look on the website provided to see license details to bring to council. Tabled discussion until more information can be provided to council. It was noted that it is just a general notice with a deadline of June 2nd. Shawn expressed that council did approve of the liquor permit last year.
- e. Wood County Board of Elections letter regarding Substitute House Bill 500: The bill updated law governing certification of questions and issues to the ballot. As of January 1, 2021, there is no longer a statutory prohibition against a political subdivision or other entity emailing a certified question or issue to the Board of Elections for placement on the ballot. The law still allows the certification to be submitted in paper form, but it now permits political subdivision and other entities to use an electronic form as an alternative. This change in law does not allow petitions to be filed electronically. As in the past, candidate and issue petitions must be filed in paper form. A dedicated email address has been set up.

ADMINISTRATOR-JOHN LINKEY

John asked council if they had seen copies of the proposed ordinance of Behind the Meter. Shawn, Ray, & Josh stated they did receive copies of it at the recent Street Meeting. Corey is currently reviewing it right now. John will get copies for council to see. One couple is adamant that they will be installing solar. This ordinance will also cover any generator source behind the meter such as wind turbine, micro turbine to generate power. John questioned Courtney today as to how it would relate to back up energy generators with automatic transfer switch as those are triggered when there is an interruption in service. The ordinance will also include application fee \$200 plus additional fee for overage of 10KW and meter fee. The particular case will also need a zoning permit for it stands alone. Solar placed on a roof would not need a zoning permit do to no change of structure.

John informed council Jimmy will be starting on Monday, May 10th.

In the meantime, John stated he will keep plugging away with the cleaning of the curbs. On Tues, water service will be done in front of the little restaurant on Crocker St, with day closure of Crocker St between Railroad St and Main St. Linda and Ray appreciate everything he is doing.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - Corey Speweik

Not in Attendance

FISCAL OFFICER -Angie Roth

February and March are closed. Angie informed council reasoning for taking so long was due to researching of the expenses with last year to make sure they were appropriated accordingly with additional time needed to get the hand-written checks that were done the beginning of March when we were locked out of UAN due to the delay in closing of the 2020 tax year. She also informed council the check entries were done with instruction from UAN and that their office was aware of the situation and provided guidance needed. Linda appreciates all that Angie has done.

CLAIM ORDINANCE 09-2021VC

Chris has a question for Police Chief and will ask him at next meeting.

Motion to approve ordinance was made by Lori Johnston and seconded by Shawn Hall.

Roll Call:

Yes: Hall, Johnston, Zaker, Wildman, and Lahman

Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Pool committee did not meet due to weather. The Street committee met on Monday the 3rd of May and discussed the trees coming down in the village.

Shawn asked Linda if she has been out to South East 150 Ambulance? Yes, she has nothing to really report just the everyday operations going well; they are still in need of people especially part timers for the summer to cover those on vacation and camping. Linda also stated that they have equipment that gives

them direct contact with the hospital that we do not have. She goes once a month to their meeting and she stated there is a possible levy for renewal in November if we want to keep it or not.

OLD BUSINESS

The parking lot at the park is set to be sealed by Morlock on Friday, May 7th weather permitting. Made mention was the condition of South Main Street and the need of street repairs more than just the filling of the pot holes rather a cut out and patching. It will need to be done on several other streets once water line repairs are completed including that of Caldwell Street's critical infrastructure with bidding starting on it.

NEW BUSINESS

Linda informed council that this year 4 seats are coming open on council and suggested we let the public know here soon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm by Lori Johnston, and seconded by Chris Lahman.

Roll call: Yes: Hall, Johnston, Zaker, Wildman, and Lahman

Motion carried

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Tammy Kreais*
Mayor: Tammy Kreais

Approved: 5/20/2021

SIGNED: *Josh Leber*
Council President: Josh Leber

