

Village Council Meeting As
A Committee of the Whole
October 8, 2019
6:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Louann Artiaga (7:09), Richard Bingham, Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, Mindy Curry, Bob Keogh, and Bill May. Also present were the following: Administrator Jordan Daugherty, Director of Public Services Steve Pilcher, Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger, Deputy Police Chief Allan Baer, Tiffany Bachman, Clerk Susan Miller, Brian Carroll, Sheri Luedtke, Amy Schultz, Karen Gerhardinger and Yvonne Walters.

Motion Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, by seconded by Mindy Curry to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting. 5 ayes

President of Council, Bill May asked for Citizen Comments pertaining to Agenda items.

- Brian Carroll thanked Council for putting resources back into Whitehouse. He said the loss of four parking spaces near General's Ice Cream will benefit all.
- The proposed plan is a concept, a few parking spaces will be added overall and be more accessible

Public Services

The first order of business was to discuss a letter from the Tree Commission.

- Christmas lights, limbing up the trees, frames the statue, healthy, Tree Commission endorses saving healthy trees
- Very nice letter, privacy screen for children, open equals safety in a public space – more eyes on the children the better
- Hard to see healthy trees cut down when the Tree Commission is tasked with saving trees
- If the park were a blank slate would these trees be picked – like the way frames the statue
- Canopy for a tree takes around 15 years, plant trees, get canopy going, life expectancy of these trees will be over, limb up in late winter
- Will be discussed at the November meeting, Tree Commission will be consulted, landscape will determine, landscape plan is not proposed yet, reinvigorating the park, area needs plantings, some trees are near maturity
- Too many trees planted at once will be a lot of work for the Public Services department
- Tree Commission will have the opportunity to come to Council before any plans are made to cut the trees down

Financial, Audit and Investments

The next order of business was a brief update on Capital Projects Financing.

- The Village is in good shape, next year the Village will make changes due to Capital events
- People like the decorative signs and would like to see them spread further out in the Village, poles cost \$4,000 each
- Watching cost benefits for LEDs
- Smell from the regional pump station – sewer capital improvement fund
- Park improvement is complete
- \$700,000 - \$800,000 carryover for the General Fund
- 2020 demands on staff will be so much larger/expensive

General

Bob Keogh

- Finish what we've started

Mindy Curry

- Disc Golf
- Skate park
- Remove donation/recycling bins, Goodwill and churches accept donations, people from other areas are dumping
- Chickens in the Village
- Rehab caboose
- Scan app that tells the history of objects in the Village
- Annual employee outing
- Pool
- Decorative sign poles
- Flower pots were beautiful, put some on poles
- Have the Village host Keep Our Girls Safe a couple of times per year

Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer

- Enhance recreation and accessibility for the park
- Good planning for the other play structure
- Splash pad
- Sound system for the pavilion
- Neighbor meet neighbor events (community building events)
- Experience Whitehouse marketing #campaign

Richard Bingham

- Employ youth for a summer rec program
- Temporary splash pads/slip and slide
- Bucher Road ditch
- Decorative sign poles
- Donation bins are a disaster – larger bins, upsetting citizens near there, unsightly, can be a constitutional challenge to remove them

Louann Artiaga

- Lodge – sooner than later
- Dog Park
- Multi-Use trail – finish to Finzel Road – pedestrian bridge
- Wheel chair swing at the park
- Refurbish shelter house
- Expand Community Market
- Summer Rec Program Fire/Police/Legion

Bill May

- Traffic light at the four corners
- Small quarry gravel path – finish or get rid of
- Improve road to the pickleball courts
- Grindings to improve the soccer field parking lots, the Village does not maintain them, but can

help out

- Enclosure for the police units (Can get 4 cruisers in the garage)
- Paint hydrants the same color
- Striping before the end of the year
- Replace the fire department sign

Other items discussed:

- Thank you the striping brings awareness to the crossings, poles lying near Wycliffe and Wyndham need picked up
- No power outages since Edison came to Council, power grid issue?
- U-turns by the soccer fields, signs near the soccer fields are faded
- Multi-use trail is a public right of way
- Handicap access to the shelterhouse near Gilead, handicap accessible dock
- Another clock in Council chambers, dances
- Zipline course over the quarry, movie night in the park
- Lucas Soil and Water conservation \$500 donation request
- Authorizing to apply for OPWC funds
- Checking the contract with Verizon to see when payments begin, road is paved, don't know if the tower is on
- Ivy plants, get through Phase II and see what changes need made
- No parking losses in phase II adjustments
- Parking alley/pole – compact parking

Motion by Bob Keogh, seconded by Richard Bingham to adjourn at 7:48 PM. 6 ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Miller
Clerk of Council