

At 6:31 PM Mayor Don Atkinson called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Bill May, Louann Artiaga, Richard Bingham, Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, and Mindy Curry. Also present were the following: Administrator Jordan Daugherty, Solicitor Kevin Heban, Director of Public Services Steve Pilcher, Police Chief Mark McDonough, Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger, and Clerk Susan Miller.

Council prayer was given by Pastor Shawn Bellner of Cedar Creek Church.

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Bill May to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2020 Council Meeting and the July 14, 2020 Special Council meeting. 5 ayes

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Bill May to approve the bills totaling \$709,721.04 dated July 30, 2020, the Addendum bills totaling \$31,584.95 dated August 4, 2020 and the June 2020 Financial Statement. 5 ayes

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Bill May to approve four Whitehouse scholarships beginning in 2021. 5 ayes

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Mindy Curry to authorize the Solicitor to prepare legislation authorizing a Compensation Agreement Between the Village of Whitehouse and Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Mindy Curry to authorize the Solicitor to prepare legislation authorizing the Administrator of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas County, Ohio to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services for the sum of \$38,100.00 and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Mindy Curry, seconded by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer to authorize the Solicitor to prepare legislation authorizing the Administrator of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas County, Ohio to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services for the sum of \$59,500.00 and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Mindy Curry, seconded by Louann Artiaga to accept the Paramount Health Insurance Quote. 5 ayes

Mayor Don Atkinson asked for Citizen Comments pertaining to Agenda items. There were none.

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Louann Artiaga to accept, as previously authorized, Resolution 16-2020 authorizing a Compensation Agreement Between the Village of Whitehouse and Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger at its first reading and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Mindy Curry to suspend the rules and to have the second and third reading of Resolution 16-2020 by title only and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Mindy Curry to accept Resolution 16-2020 and to pass said Resolution and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Bill May, seconded by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer to accept, as previously authorized, Resolution 17-2020 authorizing the Administrator of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas County, Ohio to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services for the sum of \$38,100.00 at its first reading and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Bill May, seconded by Louann Artiaga to suspend the rules and to have the second and third reading of Resolution 17-2020 by title only and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Bill May, seconded by Mindy Curry to accept Resolution 17-2020 and to pass said Resolution and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Mindy Curry seconded by Louann Artiaga to accept, as previously authorized, Resolution 18-2020 authorizing the Administrator of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas County, Ohio to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services for the sum of \$59,500.00 at its first reading and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Bill May, seconded by Mindy Curry to suspend the rules and to have the second and third reading of Resolution 18-2020 by title only and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer, seconded by Mindy Curry to accept Resolution 18-2020 and to pass said Resolution and declaring an emergency. 5 ayes

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Bill May to adjourn into Executive Session on a matter of litigation at 7:42 PM. 5 ayes

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer to reconvene at 8:38 PM. 5 ayes

Other items discussed:

- Thank you Cedar Creek Church for the leadership your church provides
- Congratulations to the Whitehouse Scholarship recipients Johnathan Yunker and Garrett Zisk
- Recommendations for next year's scholarship program: earlier awareness of the scholarship, expanded outreach, trade programs, large pool of qualified applicants - award 4 Scholarships, thank you Jill Gundy, and the Scholarship Committee, Rob Casaletta, Julie Cunningham, and Lisa Stephens for their time and Commitment to the process
- Union Cemetery District reconciled receipts and reports, Andy Artiaga compensated for 33.5 hours, invoice from Waterville Township, payments to be made according to the 2019 Contract, Documented Receipts, working to reach agreement - will not pay vacation or sick time for Waterville Township employees, Whitehouse and the City of Waterville seeded money to start the UCD - to be repaid, Waterville wants to be recompensed, contracted with Clean Cut to finish mowing the 5 cemeteries this season for \$1,620, Rory Hartbarger has been hired as the Sexton/Cemetery Manager, Mayor Pedro thanked and encouraged the UCD
- Thank you Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer for all of the time and detail and accurate information on the UCD, you have handled it well, Whitehouse and Waterville stepped up and took care of issues, thank you to Steve Pilcher and his crew for doing an excellent job, always struck by the Villages professionalism, resources and knowledge base, historic event for the Communities to come together and honor their deceased loved ones
- Eagle Scout Project - Noah Werning - QR codes for trees on the bike path installed on July 11, 2020 - raised \$225 for the project selling popcorn - needed letters of recommendation
- Tree inventory, Memorial Tree by the small quarry, Tree Removals, Tree Trimmings, raising the price of memorial trees from \$300 to \$450, storm drainage tree removal, cemeteries, tree fund sponsoring webinars, passing tree saplings out since the Arbor Day celebration has been cancelled, consider tree cost in the budget

- - costs the Village money to install Memorial Trees - only 1-2 are installed per year, thank you members of the Whitehouse Tree Commission
- Historic Cooperation for the Fire Coop to ensure the safety of our Citizens, this has been worked on for a number of years, it was put off implementing for as long as possible, more funding is needed to ensure the safety of our Citizens, a two year study has been looking at all of the options, the Village stands soundly behind the plan
- Wearing masks to meetings due to COVID, no room for negativity, supporting residents, people respecting each other
- Air conditioners free of charge available for elderly residents, if anyone knows of residents that are in need of help contact the Village, be positive and unite
- Fire Chief furthering his education, amending compensation, leader in fire service, demonstrated leadership, going to be with us for a long time, proven record, Masters in Public Health, serving our residents
- Income tax was delayed until June 15, information will be in around the middle of August, the Village is being very careful with spending, bedroom community, income reported in 2021, will get the full picture of the pandemic impact, no effect on services
- Health insurance quote from Paramount below 7% increase fro renewal, slight diminishment of deductible and out of pocket, good rate, pleased, give up right to negotiate with a MIWA
- Part time officer, Frank Cigoy sworn in by Mayor Don Atkinson - family was touched by the Ceremony, completing background on another officer
- Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger thanked Council, stated he is appreciative and humbled by their support, 4 volunteers passed the 36 hour test, EOC Whitehouse numbers had an uptick 26 (+), added 13 last week, 5 in August, death rate information is County wide, Ohio death rate started to decline
- Finzel/Weckerly Road light pole to be received the end of September/October, Gerken Paving repaving Bucher Road - complete October 31, 2020, Veteran's Memorial Park fence arriving next week, begin construction end of August/September, fence to go behind where the house was torn down, painting street stripes, fire hydrants, parking spaces, look at costs for flower baskets for the roundabout, looking at additional baskets for 2021
- The Whitehouse Public Works Department is doing an awesome job
- Look at Memorial Baskets, sponsorship good for 5 years in other municipalities
- Director of Public Services Steve Pilcher to call Councilman Bill May pertaining to the Crabapple Cove issue
- Look into QR codes for other Village items - statue, caboose
- Thank you Chiefs and Personnel for Tom Keel's funeral/ceremony, Memorable Service, Last Call - send letter to 911 dispatcher - did a wonderful job
- Whitehouse Citizens for Fire Safety, committee to help cover the cost of the levy, purchase signs, flyers, raise money, Neighborhood captains, literature, need about 20 people to help
- Checking on shrubs between granite markers and around the power station at VMP

Motion by Louann Artiaga, seconded by Mindy Curry to adjourn at 8:39 PM. 5 ayes

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Duly Appointed Clerk of Council

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Mayor