

Special Council Meeting of December 14, 2021

- A. Mayor Duane Pouder opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M.
- B. The Lord's Prayer was omitted.
- C. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- D. Roll call was taken with Robin Meinerding, Eric Rust, Chiane Tedrow, Brad Horsley and Nicole Whitesel present. Michael Coning was absent. Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to excuse Councilman Michael Coning. Councilman Eric Rust second. The voice vote passed unanimously.
- E. **Consent Agenda:**
  - 1. Approval of the Agenda
  - 2. Department Head Reports
  - 3. Accounts Payable with "now and then" February 1-28, 2021
  - 4. Statement of Balances March 1, 2021
  - 5. March 1, 2021 Municipal Income Tax Report
  - 6. March 1, 2021 Debt Report
  - 7. General Fund and Payroll Bank Statements
  - 8. Village Council Minutes February 1, 2021

Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to consent of agenda and Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

- F. **Village Citizens:** Nothing

- G. **Project:**

Heath Riffle from Mote and Associates updated Mayor, Council and Residents on current projects.

- Street Department Building

- 1. Gas and power services are completed to the old building.
- 2. There is an issue with the property line. Derek Brim offered to sell the property adjacent to the Village for \$18,000.
- 3. Councilman Eric Rust recommended to meet with a contractor to discuss pricing for a firewall to go around the lot.

- Water Treatment Plant

- 1.. The project did not score well enough for grant funding due to having access to treated water. Heath recommended getting a letter from Union City Indiana stating they can shut the Village's water off at anytime if they have issues. Our water resource is also causing flow pressure issues with our fire hydrants.
- 2. Heath also recommended a water rate increase for the village citizens, or putting on a levy to help pay for the treatment plant.

#### Waste Water Treatment Plant

1. The suction line for the irrigation is drawing in fish which in turn is blinding off the screen before irrigation system. The pumps are designed to pump 600 gallons per minute (x4 pumps). Pumps are deheading against screen when it is blinded and they are only pumping 400-500 gallon per minute with two pumps on. The pumps were rebuilt last year and this is a lot of wear and tear on them.
2. The repair process is to locate the 12” irrigation suction inlet. Coffe the dam and pump down dam area or reroute flow to pump one lagoon down at a time. Install new beehive grate or floating decanter. Install lagoon level staff gauge. Remove coffe dam.

#### Detention Basin

1. The fence final grading and seeding to be completed in the spring. The pipe and flow channel is complete. Heath recommended adding a swale.
2. There is a change order for adjustment for excavating quantities, and a pay application for Tom’s Construction.

#### Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase V-15” WWTP Influent Leaks @RR

1. The options are pipe patch for \$4220, lining \$18,000 or open cut 37’ deep for \$85,000. Heath is going to get a hard quote to line for the January meeting.

Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow motioned to pay Tom’s Construction a change order amount of 4158.70 for excavating quantities. Councilman Eric Rust second. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Councilman Eric Rust motioned to pay Tom’s Construction \$179147.33 for payment of project. Councilwoman Nicole Whitesel second. The voice vote passed unanimously.

#### **H. Administrative Reports:**

Mayor Duane Pouder, nothing to report.

#### **I. Committee Reports:**

Nothing to report.

#### **J. Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Resolution 2021-20-Emergency Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KENNETH GOWER FOR FARM GROUND LEASING FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS”, and declaring an emergency. Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to declare an emergency, suspend the rules and advance by title only and Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-20-Second Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION

CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KENNETH GOWER FOR FARM GROUND LEASING FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS,” and declaring an emergency.

Resolution 2021-20-Third Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KENNETH GOWER FOR FARM GROUND LEASING FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS”, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Brad Horsley motioned to pass Resolution 2021-20 as an emergency and Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-21-Emergency Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BEST WAY OF INDIANA, INC FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022 AND 2023”, and declaring an emergency. Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to declare an emergency, suspend the rules and advance by title only and Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-21-Second Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BEST WAY OF INDIANA, INC FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022 AND 2023,” and declaring an emergency.

Resolution 2021-21-Third Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BEST WAY OF INDIANA, INC FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022 AND 2023”, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Eric Rust motioned to pass Resolution 2021-21 as an emergency and Councilwoman Nicole Whitesel seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-22-Emergency Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT NICOLE L. POHLMAN OF GARBIG & SCMIDT, LLC, and declaring an emergency. Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to declare an emergency, suspend the rules and advance by title only and Councilwoman Chiane Tedrow seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-22-Second Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT NICOLE L. POHLMAN OF GARBIG & SCHMIDT, LLC” and declaring an emergency.

Resolution 2021-22-Third Reading-“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND INTERIM FISCAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OF UNION

CITY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NICOLE L. POHLMAN OF GARBIG & SCMIDT, LLC, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Brad Horsley motioned to pass Resolution 2021-22 as an emergency and Councilman Eric Rust seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously.

**K. Old Business:**

1. Leaf pickup is finished. There are a few brush piles to pick up and it will be finished this week.

**L. New Business:**

1. Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to approve Rebecca Neukam's application and to start Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at a pay rate of \$13.50 on a 6 month probationary period. Councilwoman Nicole Whitesel second. The voice vote passed unanimously.

2. Councilman Eric Rust motioned to renew the contract for Solicitor, Nicole Pohlman of Garbig & Schmidt, LLC. Councilman Brad Horsley second. The voice vote passed unanimously.

3. There is a council seat opening starting January 2022. If interested submit a letter of interest.

4. There is an open seat on the Income Tax Committee. If interested submit a letter of interest.

5. Councilman Bradley Horsley motioned to pay Spencer Trucking \$95 for salt delivery. Councilwoman Nicole Whitesel second. The voice vote passed unanimously.

**M. Emergency Business/Ordinances:** None

**N. Call of Council:**

Nothing

**O. Communications and Announcements:**

Nothing

**P. Executive Session:**

Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to go into executive session for personnel issues and Councilman Eric Rust seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously. Council went into executive session at 7:35 P.M.

Council returned to regular session at 7:50 P.M.

**Q. Adjournment or Recess:**

Councilman Brad Horsley motioned to adjourn, and Councilman Nicole Whitesel seconded. The voice vote passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 7:58.

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Duane Pouder, Mayor

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Tonya Coning/Interim Fiscal Officer