

A special meeting of the Council for the Village of Monroeville was held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:00PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited by those present.

Present at Roll Call:	Chris Raftery	And: Melissa Fries-Seip, Mayor
	Mark Rupp	Bonnie Beck, Fiscal Officer
	Sue Rogers	Tom Gray, Administrator
	Craig Franklin	Jim Barney, Solicitor
	Bob Whitacre	

Also attending was Chief Gary Lyons, Jessica Wasserman, Stephanie Van Fleet, and Ken Schafer.

Mayor Fries-Seip explained the nature of the special meeting, but allowed the Schafer family to speak since they were there to talk about their Flea Market. Introductions were made, and Mrs. Wasserman shared how the idea of the Village Flea came about. She had been wanting to bring something good and fun to our little community. The funds that would be raised will be given back to the community in an artistic and creative way. They have 30 vendors right now. They would like to close off Herrick Alley and Milan Avenue to Rt 20, and use the Legion's parking lot. She met with Tom on Monday, and at this point they don't know how to move forward, as they feel they are in a hard place because of the municipal building. Mrs. Wasserman said they want to be present the Flea appropriately. Mrs. Van Fleet noted that their original vision was to paint a mural on a vacant building. Mrs. Wasserman said that she and her family are deeply rooted in this community and she feels concerned about not being in the know. Mr. Schafer said that there is considerable amount of angst at the cost of the municipal building. He shared what he has heard regarding the neglect of parks and streets, and he also heard that there was no money to mow Clark Park. Mrs. Wasserman remarked about the fencing at Marsh Field being donated, and the volunteers who are removing the fencing and moving dirt, and the crumbling sidewalks. The Mayor explained the sources of revenue and the various areas of expenditures. The building's cost was discussed, including the cost per square foot. Tom assured everyone that this cost is in line with current building criteria. After some discussion, the Schafer's were assured that the Village is doing due diligence regarding street and sidewalk maintenance, and that a public meeting was going to be scheduled so that the entire community has the opportunity to share their thoughts. Craig praised the Village employees for the work they put into our community, noting that often they are taken for granted. After more discussion, the Mayor thanked the Schafer's for sharing their concerns.

The Council meeting commenced at 6:45PM.

Mark Rupp made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to excuse Debbie Smith from the meeting. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea."

Chris Raftery made a motion, seconded by Craig Franklin, to approve the requisition to Brownstown Electric for \$16,179.98 for the recloser, bypass, fuses and related items for the Herbert substation. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea."

Mark Rupp made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to suspend the rules for the following legislation. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea."

#### **ORDINANCE 2019-06**

#### **2019 APPROPRIATIONS**

*An Ordinance to make appropriations for expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Monroeville, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019, and declaring an emergency* was presented for adoption. Chris Raftery made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to pass Ordinance 2019-06 by title only. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea."

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-03**

#### **TRANSFER FUNDS**

*A Resolution authorizing the Fiscal Officer to transfer monies from the General Fund to the Municipal Building Fund to cover the remaining balance of engineering services, and declaring an emergency* was presented for passage. Chris Raftery made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to pass Resolution 2019-03 by title only. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea."

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Sue Rogers made a motion, seconded by Craig Franklin, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing imminent litigation. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea." The meeting adjourned to executive session at 6:47PM and reconvened at 7:00PM.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Sue Rogers made a motion, seconded by Craig Franklin, to adjourn. No discussion. Motion carried with all voting "yea." The meeting adjourned at 7:01PM.

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Bonnie Beck, MMC, Fiscal Officer

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Melissa Fries-Seip, Mayor