

On Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 6:00PM Mayor Fries-Seip opened the Council meeting with a word of prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was then recited by those present. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held at the Local School's MAC building, 101 West Street.

The regular meeting of the Council for the Village of Monroeville was then called to order.

Present at roll call:	Bob Whitacre	And:	Melissa Fries-Seip, Mayor
	Craig Franklin		Bonnie Beck, Fiscal Officer
	Chris Raftery		Tom Gray, Administrator
	Sam Wiley		Jim Barney, Solicitor
	Sue Rogers		

Also attending: Police Chief Gary Lyons, Dan Spettle and his sister, Jill.

The May financial reports and bank reconciliations were previously distributed to Council via email.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Fries-Seip read the title for Resolution 2020-20 regarding the CARES Act for an addition to the agenda. She then asked for Council's approval of the amended agenda. Sam Wiley made the motion, seconded by Sue Rogers. Motion carried with no discussion.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

Sam Wiley made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2020 regular Council meeting as presented. Motion carried with no discussion.

APPROVAL OF MAY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Chris Raftery made a motion, seconded by Sue Rogers, to approve the May 2020 financial reports as presented. Motion carried with no discussion.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Dan Spettle introduced himself and his sister, Jill. He said he had lived here for thirty years and loved every minute of it. His family would like to buy two benches to be placed at Clark Park in memory of their Mom and her sisters, who also lived in Monroeville. The ladies often spoke of playing by the river and enjoyed those memories. Mr. Spettle asked if there was a catalog that he could look at to see what kind of benches he wanted. He's looking for a bench that doesn't require a lot of upkeep. Tom Gray suggested that he contact Sue Long about the kind of bench to order, adding that the Village would welcome the additional benches. It was suggested that maybe the benches can be placed around the beach area. Tom said we can work with Mr. Spettle with the placements. Sue Rogers asked if the benches had to be of a certain material, and Tom answered that they're made of a composite, and will be removed from the park seasonally. Mr. Spettle thanked Council, and left the meeting at 6:06PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Administrator - Regarding his report, Tom Gray stated that Dave Hamons will be taking his vacation later this month, and Rick Whiteside will be taking his soon after. These employees were unable to take these vacation hours before their anniversary dates due to the COVID issue. He noted that regarding the EMA Resolution and agreement it should state that Craig Franklin should be named as the contact person, as was determined by Council last year. Tom stated that today's work on the sanitary sewer line extension for the MMC went well. The Mayor said that she has received emails regarding the EPA grant screening and asked if she should be there. Tom answered that he didn't think that would be necessary. It's basically a fact finder, and if we qualify for WSRLA (Water Supply Revolving Loan Account) then we can proceed

they were not. The Mayor thanked the PD for their website notifications for the RT 20 sanitary sewer construction. Bonnie asked for Council's re-assessment of the temporary utility policies enacted for the COVID period. Council determined that the policy should be extended through August. Bob questioned the continued absence of a Council member. The Mayor stated that she has tried to contact him with no results. Ohio Revised Code §705.13 was mentioned, which noted 10 consecutive absences. Bonnie said she thought it might be three unexcused absences in the Rules of Council. Jim Barney said he would take a look at our policy. Mayor Fries-Seip stated that the Council Member is valued for his knowledge, but without his presence it's not helpful to us. Bob said all it takes is a simple phone call from him. Chris suggested that we sit on this for now, and the Mayor said she would send him a letter. Sam clapped his hands while commending everyone in the room for their dedication to this wonderful community. The Mayor said she believed we're moving in the right direction. It was determined that the annual summer employee luncheon will be discussed at the July meeting. Brief discussion on who to contact for brick purchases.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Sue Rogers made a motion, seconded by Chris Raftery, to adjourn. Motion carried with no discussion. The meeting adjourned at 7:01PM.

Bonnie Beck, MMC, Fiscal Officer

Melissa M. Fries-Seip, Mayor

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