



**RICHFIELD VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021
6:30 p.m.
(Meeting conducted via Zoom)**

ROLL CALL: Beshara, Boester, Domanick, Lyons, Philippbar, Stoppenhagen and Waszak.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Wheeler, Police Chief Swanson, Fire Chief Seifert, Finance Director Turk, Planning and Zoning Director Frantz, Interim Recreation Director Toth, Service Director Papp and Law Director Cortes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 1, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING AND THE MAY 4, 2021 REGULAR MEETING, AS CORRECTED. Moved by Philippbar, seconded by Domanick. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 39-2021

Offered by All of Council

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VILLAGE ZONING DISTRICT THROUGH THE REZONING PROCESS FOR 118.7873 ACRES OF LAND CURRENTLY LOCATED IN RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION R-1 RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE AMENDED ANNEXATION APPLICATION AND PETITION SUBMITTED ON APRIL 8, 2021 PURSUANT TO SECTION 1115.05 AND 1109.07 OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE

Frantz provided some background. The proposed zoning is R-1 rural residential. The existing zoning is R-3 cluster residential. Frantz also talked about the overlay of an RCD single family conservation district. It calls for reduced lot sizes but greater open space requirements.

Debbie Bluso Rogers of Scanwood Drive said she approves of the annexation.

John Nowakowski of Burrwood Drive asked if the Summit County Council process is complete. Cortes said no. A hearing took place on May 10, and the parties' attorneys are providing SCC with post-hearing briefs. SCC will pass a resolution to approve or deny the annexation in June.

John Klepach of Briarwood asked about the number of homes that would be allowed. Frantz said no more than 130.



Mike Creager and Christine Young of Sawbridge Drive both voiced their approval. Young thanked everyone for moving the process along. She asked about SCC's role. Cortes said that under this style of annexation, SCC must approve the annexation if seven certain factors are met. The developer and village presented their cases in favor of the annexation, which Richfield Township opposed it.

Jim Koewler asked about the isolation of six township home surrounded by the village. Cortes said SCC will examine that, and he feels the village's position is in line with case law.

Dawn Harvey wrote a letter in support of the annexation.

Barbara Zabor of West Whitethorn Circle opposed the annexation. She cited safety issues with turning a sewer easement into a road into Briarwood. Lyons said that issue is under discussion and not fully resolved. Village officials are discussing options to address the neighbors' concerns.

Klepach said traffic would be moved onto the Briarwood residents' roads, causing a way of life they were never expecting.

Don Bokman of East Whitethorn Circle said the village proposed a plan with exits on Whitethorn and Sawbridge. After the township disapproved, the new village plan called for all of the traffic to go into the township. He said that seemed spiteful.

Young said the plan in the 1980s called for at least 280 homes, including cluster and multi-family, along with single family. There was always access to Whitethorn, and it was never all to Sawbridge, which was in the township at the time. She said she did not think traffic would be a problem and thinks the township should improve its roads.

Bluso Rogers said shaving down Route 303 would improve sight distance. She asked about riparian impact on Burrwood and Sawbridge with the egress. Frantz said plans for a land bridge have been eliminated to avoid riparian and sight-distance issues. The road would be realigned to ODOT standards at Briarwood but not Sawbridge.

Klepach said emergency access was proposed to go to Sawbridge. He asked the village to share the traffic with the township.

Therese Schiden of West Whitethorn Circle hopes the village has empathy. The easement into the road is devastating. She is not against development but traffic. It is only fair for the village to take half.

Bokman is afraid of the taking of land by eminent domain to adjust road sight distance. He is also not against development, but he is against poor design. He is afraid someone will be killed due to the poor sight distance.



Nowakowski asked about the new monthly sewer cost. Lyons said the village has an estimate, and Frantz said we should know in 90 to 120 days.

Nowakowski also asked if the village speed limit would be extended on Route 303 east of Briarwood. Wheeler said ODOT sets the speed limits and rarely reduces them. Lyons said the village did not intend to get back at the township but wanted to deal with a safety issue.

Beshara said the advantage of NEORS is avoiding Water & Sewer LLC going to the PUCO for large increases. Bluso Rogers asked where the township trustees were. They objected to the SCC but should advocate for township residents.

Lyons said this plan calls for the lowest number of housing units and the most open space in the history of this process. He understands the traffic concerns. Young said that even with assessments, the sewer costs would be significantly lower.

James McGuinness of Twig Road asked if the PUCO fined Water & Sewer LLC, which passed the fine on to residents. Lyons said no. Beshara said the village has devoted a lot of time and resources to solving this problem.

The public hearing ended at 7:55 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Frantz informed Council that the Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended approval of Ordinance 39-2021 and Resolution 40-2021.

Christine Phillips of Timberwood Trail asked Council to consider sidewalks to connect Garden Estates to other areas of town.

MAYOR'S REPORT

At the request of Councilperson Gary Domanick, Brian Frantz and I met with 2 Township Briarwood residents this morning to hear their concerns. One thing that was made totally clear is that the land bridge to Sawbridge Drive is a non-starter. As we stated in the meeting, we will take their concerns to the developer.

I am asking Council to consider adopting the paving legislation which includes the base bid and all of the alternates. I believe if we wait until next year to do the alternates, we will see a significant increase in costs. Director Turk sent the Cash Balance work sheet for your review.

Mayor's Court update! I have 3 people who have agreed to come work with us in Mayor's Court. David Bates as Magistrate, Nicole Welsh as Clerk of Courts and Jason Lorenzon as Prosecutor. All three are practicing attorneys. I will send you their Bios before Friday. We plan to hold our first Court on Wednesday, July 7, 2021.



Brian and I met with Jim from MGT Network Services regarding sight and sound for Council Chambers. We do not have a proposal for the meeting this evening but should shortly.

Laura and I met for a second time with the Broadview Heights Recreation Team to further discuss the possibility of our residents using the BHRC. We were given membership pricing sheets, which we will discuss with Park Board at their next meeting and then put on a Council work session shortly after the park board discussion.

I have been in contact with Brian Nelson of Summit County who tells me we will be getting a Fairlawn Gig hub at Village Hall within 18 months. We should start working on a distribution plan very soon so we know how and where we have to deliver service to the residents.

Through May 13, 2021, we have collected \$11.9 million of the \$32.5 million budgeted for revenue, or 36.4% of the budget, slightly below the expected rate of 37.5% through mid-May. On the expenditure side, \$10.1 million was expended overall by the Village through May 13, or 26.5% of the \$38 million budgeted for expenditures.

I will be asking for an executive session at the end of this meeting for the sale of public property, the acquisition of public property, economic development, hiring of a public employee and the possible discipline of a public official.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Chief Swanson – Police

Report:

May 9-15 was National Police Week. In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

In 2020, 362 Police Officers were killed in the line of duty in the United States. We are currently taking applications for the position of part-time dispatcher. The complete job description and applications are available on our website.



We are combining Safety Town this year with Bath Township. We are doing two sessions this year because we had to cancel last year. This will allow the students who could not attend last year to attend this year. The dates for Safety Town this year will be July 12-16 and July 19-23. The times for both sessions will be 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day. Applications are available at both Bath and Richfield Police Departments, as well as all the Revere Schools. Applications must be completed and dropped off by June 4, 2021. Next year, we are working on making the applications available online.

The last day of school for Revere is June 10th.

Chief Seifert– Fire

Report:

- 1) On May 7th we had a large vehicle fire on the turnpike. The crew did an excellent job on extinguishment of the fire. The fire involved a RV, a pick up truck and a motorcycle. The estimated loss was over \$200,000.
- 2) Numerous personnel attended a training held by the Ohio Fire Academy. The training was on the OFIRS/NIFRS codes. These codes are how we report our emergency activity to the state and federal governments.
- 3) We are working on the brochure for the kick off of the community health program. We are still shooting for the June 1st kick off date. Internally, we will start it next Wednesday.
- 4) We are continuing to evaluate new electronic reporting systems for our emergency runs, trainings and fire inspections. We hope to have another company picked out this summer.
- 5) We are working on getting quotes for some of our capital projects. We hope to start the carpeting replacement in June and the gear racking system in July.



- 6) We are continuing the process of reviewing and updating our SOP/SOG guide.

- 7) Next week is EMS week. I would like to thank all of our members for providing excellent EMS care to the citizens.

Recreation – Interim Director Toth

FACILITIES

The Village parks, playgrounds and pavilions are open and the building rental facilities will open June 1st, 2021. Masonic and Fellowship Hall will be thoroughly cleaned prior to opening.

PROGRAMS

- **Summer Camp-** As of Friday, May 14 the average capacity is 54% overall for camp registration. The capacity varies for each week; some weeks are filling up faster than others. Camp starts Monday June 21st, running 7 weeks (no camp week of July 5th). The early bird registration halts on May 16, when prices increase for residents and non-residents. Registration and payments will be accepted through the village website. Sign up for 1 week or all 7 weeks.
 - Summer camp counselors are in place. Interviews and reference checks have been conducted on all summer camp counselors.
 - Camp supplies will be ordered this week; camp budget review scheduled for discussion on Monday, May 17.
- **Hummingbird Soccer** for boys and girls ages 3-6 years old.

Summer sessions begins Friday 6/11-7/16.
Time 5:30-6:30 pm ages (3&4) 6:30-7:30 p.m. (ages 5-6).



- **T-Birds T-Ball** for boys and girls 3-4 years old to be held Saturday mornings 6/12- 7/24 12:30-1:30 or 1:30 to 2:30. Registration is open.

EVENTS

- **Summer Concert Series** – the dates and bands have been set for the 2021 season
 - Friday, June 25, 2021 – The Swizzle Sticks
 - Friday, July 9, 2021 – The Big 5 Show
 - Friday, July 16, 2021 – Rebeats
 - Friday, July 30, 2021 – The Pop Tarts
- Scheduling of Food Trucks for the concerts is in process.

Departmental Items:

- **Rec Desk, Recreation Software-** Looking for ways to streamline our process of booking facility and pavilion rentals, implementing use of a scheduling calendar to cut down on calls for rental availability and field schedules, send emails after booking/payment with further documents and online payments for programs and rentals. We already have the RecDesk software.
- **Goal Meeting-** In the process of scheduling a special meeting to discuss the goals for Parks and Recreation.

RECREATION CENTER

- Auction Items- Most items have been put up for sale and picked up. The large cooler in the basement is on the auction site this week.
- The pottery items are being held until the end of the clearing out.
- Waiting for final load of donation items to be delivered.



- Move items to the Eastwood house.
- Move files and racking to Village Hall.
- Barres and exercise flooring will need to be disassembled and stored.

Update: Toth said summer camp registration is at 65 percent capacity.

Director Papp – Service

Papp delivered the great news that the village will receive \$800,000 in AMATS funds to resurface Brecksville Road. Work on Motor Road is almost complete. He asked for the June 1 work session to include discussions of a new leaf machine and pavers at the center of town and the Veterans Memorial. Stoppenhagen asked if paving in Richfield Woods Park would be finished by Community Days. Papp said yes.

Report:

The Service Department continues to respond to normal and emergent work activities. Administratively we continue to complete permitting, plan review, sewer billing, cemetery sales and burials and responding to calls and emails. The following are some of the highlights of the Service Department’s activities over the past two weeks:

- The Service Director held a preconstruction meeting with National Industrial Maintenance for the Village’s 2021 Crack Sealing program on 05/14/21.
- The Service Department received bids for the Village’s 2021 Asphalt Program on 04/20/21. Below are the tabulated bids. The 2021 Capital Budget for asphalt paving is \$1,500,000. The Engineer’s estimate was \$1,498,080 for the Base Bid and \$995,335 for the Alternate Bid.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BASE BID</u>	<u>ALTERNATES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1	Perrin	\$1,094,771.00	\$752,600.70	\$1,847,371.70
2	N.E.S.	\$1,045,450.00	\$823,194.95	\$1,868,644.95
3	Barbicas	\$1,098,748.00	\$752,600.70	\$1,901,942.20
4	Karvo	\$1,178,615.40	\$910,621.16	\$2,089,236.56

Please see the briefing memo and attachments for more details on the streets and costs. The Service Director and QCI have reviewed the bids and recommends award of the Base Bid and Alternates A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 through A-9 for a total of \$1,847,372 plus a 10% contingency to Perrin Asphalt. Their bid is \$21,273 less expensive than N.E.S., and based on the depth and magnitude of Perrin’s work experience with the Village and other communities we believe that Perrin is best bidder.

- With regard to the Eastwood Barn project, the Service Director contacted Caldwell Companies and requested a rough estimate based on initial discussion concepts. We’ve received nothing to date.



- The Motor Road Drainage Improvements project started January 4th. The project's contractor is Cavanaugh Construction. The road paving was completed 05/12/2021. Minor restoration and pavement markings are outstanding.
- The Service Director continues to work on execution of the 2021 Capital Budget Projects and purchases.
- The Service Director received proposals from GPD on the following capital projects:
 - a. PD Access Controls Panel, Fee \$51,816, Budget \$20,000 (Seeking other approaches)
 - b. Richfield Wood Bathroom and Water Study, Fee \$14,900, Budget \$25,000 (Authorized)
 - c. SR 303 & Brecksville Lighting and Signal Design, Fee \$33, 805, Budget \$90,000/\$30,000 (Postponed 2022)
- The Service Department will complete training on personal protective equipment (PPE) on May 25th.
- The Service Department is moving forward with interviews for the replacement position in the Utilities Division. We have also received 3 applications for the position and 4 applications for summer positions.
- The Service Department has been working on evaluating large format copier, scanner, printers as the lease for the current large format device is nearing its end.
- The Service Director met with NEORS to discuss 3 projects (Brecksville Force Main & PS 2 Replacement, Briarwood Sanitary Sewer Replacement, & Glen Cairn Creek Sanitary Sewer Relocation & PS). We will submit for 75% funding on construction funds for the Brecksville Force Main & PS 2 Replacement & the Glen Cairn Creek Sanitary Sewer Relocation & PS and design funds for Briarwood Sanitary Sewer Replacement.
- The Service Department is looking to auction two vehicles from service. The vehicles are: a 2001 Freightliner FL70 vin 1FVABTAK71HG78514 with 68,353 miles and a 2000 Ford F350 pickup truck vin 3FTSF30L5YMA63302 with 114,155 miles. Both vehicles are rusted beyond repair and need extensive interior work. They will be placed on Gov Deals for Sale with a reserve value.
- The Service Director attended a meeting regarding the new Ohio EPA MS4 Permit and the ramifications on the Village.
- The Service Director applied for a special round AMATS resurfacing funds for Brecksville Road (North and South of SR 303) as moved by Council at their 05/04/21 meeting. The northern section (Streetsboro Road (SR 303) to SR 21) was recommended and approved by AMATS to be funded for **\$800,000** for Fiscal Year 2022. The Village will need to pass legislation to accept the funding and commit to the estimated \$625,150 for the balance of design and construction costs by 07/01/21. The total project cost was estimated at \$1,425,150.

Recommendations/Considerations:

- 1) Consider a future workshop to discuss the pavers at the Veterans Memorial at SR 303 and Broadview Roads on the 2021 Capital Budget.
- 2) The Service Department recommends approval of a motion to award the Village's 2021 Asphalt Program to Perrin Asphalt. We ask that legislation for this be approved by Council and we request 2nd and 3rd readings be waived it be passed as an emergency.
- 3) The Service Department recommends the accepting the AMATS 2022 Resurfacing funds for the northern section of Brecksville Road.



- 4) The Service Department recommends approval of a legislation to auction off (Gov Deals) 2 Service vehicles, a 2001 Freightliner FL70 and a 2000 Ford F350 pickup.

Motions/Legislation:

- 1) Motion to approve Perrin Asphalt for the 2021 Asphalt Program for the Base Bid plus alternates.
- 2) Motion to approve legislation for the AMATS for the resurfacing of Brecksville Road from SR 303 to SR 21. (Future legislation)
- 3) Motion to approve legislation to auction the following Service Department vehicles: a 2001 Freightliner FL70 and a 2000 Ford F350 pickup.

Director Frantz – Planning & Zoning

Frantz asked for a discussion at the June 9 work session about Council's design change for the Wheatley Road sidewalk project

Report:

- 1) At their May 11th meeting, the Planning Commission took the following actions:
 - a. continued the discussion with Storage In Motion regarding the outstanding violation of their conditional zoning certificate. This item is continued to the May 25th meeting;
 - b. recommended approval of Council Resolution 40-2021, which proposes rezoning of certain parcels from their current R-2 Single-Family designation to the Commercial Historic I District. The proposed rezoning involves 3874 and 3871 Broadview Road, 3771 Grant Street, and permanent parcel numbers 5001398, 5000551, 5000408.
 - c. recommended approval of Council Ordinance 39-2021, which relates to assignment of a zoning district to be applied to the approximate 118 acres of land proposed to be annexed from Richfield Township to the Village. The annexation petition involving this matter was received by the Village on April 8, 2021.
- 2) We met recently with Petros Land to finalize the remaining unresolved development related items from the fall 2020 for Ashton Village. The meeting was positive and the final tasks will be completed by the middle of June. Escrow money is held back to ensure completion should the developer default, which is not anticipated.
- 3) We met recently with Pulte Homes to finalize the remaining unresolved development related items from the 2020 for Everett Pointe. The meeting was positive and the final tasks will be completed by the beginning of July. Escrow money is held back to ensure completion should the builder default, which is not anticipated.



- 4) I met with Rob Morgan and Dave Neumeyer to discuss Council's design change suggested for the Wheatley Road sidewalk project. We are requesting to discuss the revised layout and suggested modifications at the June Council work session.
- 5) I met with Mayor Wheeler and a representative from MGT Network Services to discuss the technology update to Council Chambers. We expect a quote from MGT early next week and will share it with Council for input.
- 6) We are moving forward with the acquisition of 3771 Grant Street and have a home inspection scheduled for early next week. Once complete, the property transfer will likely occur by the end of June.

Recommendations/Considerations: Referral of Resolution of 53-2021 to Planning Commission

Director Turk – Finance

Report:

2021 Financials

Through May 13, 2021, we have collected \$11,877,277 of the \$32,569,202 budgeted for revenue, or 36.4% of the budget, slightly below the expected rate of 37.5% through Mid-May. On the expenditure side, \$10,107,037 was expended overall by the Village through May 13, or 26.5% of the \$38,058,606 budgeted for expenditures.

Income Tax

Income tax collections through May 13 are up 5.8%, or \$37,392 higher than May 2020 with half the month to go. This is primarily due to the fact that in 2020, the filing deadline was extended to July 15th, due to the pandemic. Hence, people that owed money waited until July to file and make payment. If one compares May 2021 to May 2019 (pre-pandemic), May's collections are down \$66,469, or down by 8.8% but with half the month to go, it is anticipated that collections for the month will exceed the May 2019 collections. Year-to-date collections are up by 11.5%, with all three components reflecting higher collections than May year-to-date 2020 collections. Net



profits make up the majority of the increase as they are up \$387,524, or up by 128%, compared to 2020, probably a benefit of the pandemic. Since the filing deadline for 2021 also got pushed to May 17, 2021, May's month-end numbers should provide a better comparison to 2019 year's collection. To compare 2020 collections to 2021, the July 2021 comparison would prove to be the better comparison since the filing deadline in 2020 was July 15th.

Sewer Bills

First quarter sewer bills are due on Friday, May 21st. This billing reflected a 4.7% increase in the overall rate per MCF from \$129.08 to \$135.13 due to the 6% rate increase that Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District implemented going from \$100.75 last year to \$106.80 for 2021. The Village's component of the rate remains the same as last year at \$28.33 per MCF. The Village's rate of \$28.33 has not been increased since 2006.

Employee Insurance Renewal Costs Summary

Insurance Component	Current Cost	Renewal Cost	Dollar Difference	Percentage Difference
Roundstone-Medical	\$1,308,337	\$1,364,241	\$55,904	4.27%
Teladoc-Telemedicine	4,869	5,110	241	4.95%
MetLife - Dental	45,418	48,143	2,725	6.00%
MetLife - Vision	9,241	9,241	0	0.00%
MetLife - Life *	10,407	8,820	(\$1,587)	(15.25%)
Total	\$1,378,272	\$1,435,555	57,283	4.16%

*Switching life insurance carrier from Lincoln to MetLife.

**Vision & life insurance price guaranteed for 2 years.

Recommendations/Considerations:

The new fiscal item resolution for \$5,000 is submitted for first reading, consideration of suspension of second and third readings, and consideration of adoption to allow for the purchase of computer-related expense needs for the reopening of Mayor's Court effective July 1st. In addition, Resolution No. 42-2021 (as Amended 5/13/2021), to establish a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund is submitted for third reading and consideration of adoption. The Department of Treasury released



this week the Interim Final Rules to implement the Act, and they are calling the fund for local governments the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. The original resolution called the fund the American Rescue Plan Act Fund. The amended version changes the name of the fund to the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.

Legislation:

A. Resolution No. 60-2021 A resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Richfield and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for first reading, consideration of suspension of second and third readings, and consideration of adoption. This resolution appropriates \$5,000 to accommodate the computer needs for reopening the Mayor's Court effective July 1st. Hence, in order to prepare for the reopening, the request to consider the suspensions and adoption. This will allow for the purchase of two printers, one for the Court office and one for Finance for court nights (\$830). It will also provide \$3,075 for the TAC computers (Police's public safety system) to interface to the Baldwin Program (Mayor's Court computer software system) for the ticket information. The balance of funds will be used for shared IT expenses that may be forthcoming. We had already built into the budget \$5,155 for five years of updates to the Baldwin software. There is \$21,343 in the computerization fund that comes from the \$3 per ticket court cost.

B. Resolution No. 61-2021 To Designate Public Depositories for a period of five years to July 5, 2026 and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for first reading only. Resolution No. 32-2021, adopted May 4, 2021, estimated the Village had a maximum of \$15 million of active monies and invited applications for depositories of said funds. Applications have been received from Huntington National Bank, First National Bank, and Citizens Bank, N.A. The new agreements will extend for a five-year period thru July 5, 2026.

All depositories must comply with Ohio Revised Code 135. Depositories are required to designate a qualified trustee (Federal Reserve Bank or Bank of New York) and must pledge with them securities that equate to 105% of the total amount of all



(State and subdivisions) public deposits including the portion of the deposits covered by the FDIC (federal deposit insurance). All entities have read our investment policy and have acknowledged receipt and understanding of its contents. If other banks come forward, we can request to amend this resolution at that time to capture the benefit of multiple providers.

C. Resolution No. 55-2021 To enter into an agreement with Roundstone Management for health insurance for employees for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for second reading. This is to enter into a renewal agreement not to exceed \$1,364,241 with Roundstone Management, Ltd. for health care insurance for 62 full-time employees effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The cost components are reflected below:

Component	Current Contract	Renewal
Amounts		
Annual Administrative Fee	\$ 62,531	\$ 68,052
Annual Stop Loss Premium	\$ 389,142	\$ 404,825
Annual Maximum Claim	\$ 856,664	\$ 891,364
TOTAL COST	\$1,308,337	\$1,364,241
(4.2% maximum increase)		

The current maximum annual cost of coverage is \$1,308,337 (plus a \$100,000 Laser) with employees contributing 13.5% of the premium costs. The Laser is a common stop-loss industry practice of setting higher coverage attachment points for certain plan members based on their prior claims experience or the likelihood that they will become high-cost claimants in the future. The renewal rate of \$1,364,241 (plus a \$100,000 Laser). The base contract, without the Laser, reflects a \$55,904 increase, or a 4.2% increase. Below is the expenditure history with Roundstone less the following three premium rebates that we received: \$22,605 in 2017, \$45,278 in 2019, and \$63,347 in 2021.

<u>Contract Year</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>% Change</u>
2014/2015	\$ 891,354	
2015/2016	\$1,060,405	18.9%



	2016/2017	\$ 968,430
(8.7%)		
	2017/2018	\$ 997,464
3.0%		
	2018/2019	\$1,091,875
9.4%		
	2019/2020	\$ 848,155
(22.3%)		
	2020/4-30-2021	\$1,005,212* &**
18.5%		

*There are still two months of costs needed to conclude the contract.

** Employees contributed \$116,156 to-date toward the premium costs with the last quarter contribution still outstanding. Roundstone is a Group Captive program that is owned and/or controlled by the group members insured. The network is the Medical Mutual network and the Third-Party Administrator (TPA) is Mutual Health Services out of Copley. They utilize all local networks for their services with Medical Mutual also offering the best discounts for procedures in the field. They only use A.M. Best rated reinsurers of A rating and above.

D. Resolution No. 56-2021 To enter into an agreement with Teladoc Health, Inc. for physician services for employees for August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for second reading. It provides physician services for a one-year agreement through Teladoc. Teladoc's current contract rate is \$6.44 per employee per month, or approximately \$4,869 annually. Teladoc's renewal rate came in at a 5% increase at \$6.76 per employee per month, or approximately \$5,110 annually for 63 full-time employees. This represents a \$242 increase annually. The agreement is effective August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022.

There are copays associated with behavioral health and dermatology services. The copay with licensed psychiatrists, psychologist, or therapists are \$220, \$100, or \$90, respectively. The dermatology copay is \$85.

Teladoc allows employees to receive virtual visits when urgent medical issues arise, thus reducing emergency room, urgent care, and PCP visit costs. Teladoc also increases the



likelihood that members will obtain care virtually, rather than choose to seek no care. Teladoc services are estimated to have saved the Village \$21,714 over the past year.

E. Resolution No. 57-2021 To enter into an agreement with MetLife for dental insurance for employees for July 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for second reading. It provides for employee dental insurance for a one-year agreement with MetLife. The current dental coverage with MetLife costs approximately \$45,418 annually for 67 full-time employees and the contract expires June 30, 2021. The current single and family monthly rate is \$24.96 and \$70.01, respectively. The renewal rates came in at a 6% increase with the single and family monthly rate at \$26.46 and \$74.21, respectively, or approximately \$48,143 annually (a \$2,725 increase). The rate increase was due to higher utilization but the current contract was renewed at the same rates as the prior contract period, reflecting no increase. The Village pays 100% of the cost with no employee participation in paying a percentage of the premiums.

F. Resolution No. 58-2021 To enter into an agreement with MetLife for vision insurance for employees for July 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023, and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for second reading. It provides for employee vision insurance for a two-year agreement with MetLife. The current vision coverage is through MetLife and runs \$5.94 per month for an employee only or \$13.94 per month for a family. The annual cost is approximately \$9,241 a year for 65 full-time employees and we have a 12-month contract that ends June 30, 2021. AUI, our insurance broker, negotiated with MetLife and by bundling dental, vision and life insurance through MetLife (currently life insurance is provided by Lincoln), MetLife agreed to a two-year price guarantee at the current rates for the vision insurance, thereby reflecting a 0% increase for an additional two-year period, through June 30, 2023. They also offered to provide the life insurance at a reduction of \$132 per month, or a \$1,587 savings per year for a two-year period since Lincoln's renewal premium reflected a 22.2% increase. The Village pays 100% of the vision insurance cost. The employee's copay is \$20 and the Village reimburses \$10 of the copay.



G. Resolution No. 59-2021 To enter into an agreement with MetLife for life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance employees for July 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023, and declaring an emergency

This resolution is being submitted for second reading. It provides life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance through MetLife for a two-year period beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. This coverage provides employees with \$50,000 worth of life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance. The amount of insurance decreases to \$32,500 at age 65 and to \$25,000 at age 70. The current coverage is with Lincoln National and costs \$155.32 per employee annually, or approximately \$10,407 annually for 67 employees and we had a 12-month contract. Lincoln quoted a renewal rate of \$189.90 per employee annually, or approximately \$12,723 annually for 67 employees for a 24-month contract. This represents a 22.2% increase.

AUI, our insurance broker, shopped the services and also negotiated with MetLife to bundle our dental, vision and life insurance coverage. MetLife offered the life insurance coverage at a reduction of 15% from our current contract rate and a 30.7% reduction from Lincoln's renewal rate quote. By switching to MetLife's life insurance, the cost will be \$131.64 per employee annually, or approximately \$8,820 annually for 67 employees for a 24-month contract. A savings of \$1,587 annually from the current contract amount. The Village pays 100% of the life insurance costs.

Law Director: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Public Works: Beshara is trying to set up the committee's next meeting.

Park Board: Domanick said the board wants its voice to be heard more. The board is working on naming the lake at Babb's Orchard Park and talking about basketball and pickleball courts.

Tree and Landscape: Domanick said plants are being picked up this week for Adopt-A-Spot.



Insurance: Philipbar said the committee met on May 7. Roundstone health benefits are increasing by 4.27 percent. The village is saving money by bundling dental, life and vision insurance with MetLife.

Cemetery: The board covered a variety of topics at its May 5 meeting. The board has been working on the new cemetery rules, which are on Council's agenda tonight.

Buildings & Grounds: Waszak said the minutes of the committee's meeting from Aug. 19, 2020, showed that the committee advised selling the Recreation building but did not reach a conclusion on the Service buildings. Waszak also asked for a discussion of the Eastwood barn at the June 1 work session..

CAUCUS

COMMENTS FROM FLOOR ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

First Readings:

RESOLUTION 60-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

MOTION: TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 60-2021.

Moved by Waszak, seconded by Domanick. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 60-2021.

Moved by Waszak, seconded by Domanick. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 61-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES, TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE DEPOSIT OF VILLAGE FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ORDINANCE 62-2021

Offered by Mr. Stoppenhagen

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING EXISTING CHAPTER 945 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TITLED "CEMETERIES" AND ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 945 OF THE VILLAGE'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES TITLED "CEMETERIES."



RESOLUTION 63-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF PERRIN ASPHALT COMPANY, INC. FOR THE 2021 ASPHALT ROAD PAVING PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

DISCUSSION:

Papp talked about the four bidders on the project. Perrin does a great job. NES is relatively new. Beshara asked about crack sealing the driveways at Town Hall. Other Council members agreed that they are in bad shape. Papp said it costs money to keep the village roads' PCI (Pavement Condition Index) above 70. Wheeler said that after this year, the village will have paved half of its 70 roads.

Pat Healey asked about a bike lane on Brecksville Road. Papp said he could ask the engineer. Beshara asked about the sidewalk to Giant Eagle. Papp said it was in the design phase. Wheeler and some Council members said they thought the project would be completed this year.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 63-2021.

Moved by Stoppenhagen, seconded by Philipobar. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 63-2021.

Moved by Philipobar, seconded by Beshara. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

Second Readings:

RESOLUTION 49-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SUMMIT/AKRON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY ACCEPTING A COMMUNITY RECYCLING ASSISTANCE GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ORDINANCE 51-2021 (Public hearing 6-1 at 6:30 p.m.)

Offered by All of Council

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE'S HISTORIC DISTRICT FROM THE R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-H HISTORICAL COMMERCIAL II DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 52-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION DECLARING VILLAGE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO SELL SAID PROPERTY BY INTERNET AUCTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY



RESOLUTION 55-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ROUNDSTONE MANAGEMENT, LTD. FOR HEALTH INSURANCE FOR FULL-TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES FOR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION 56-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TELADOC HEALTH, INC. FOR PHYSICIAN SERVICES FOR FULL-TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES FOR AUGUST 1, 2021 THROUGH JULY 31, 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION 57-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH METLIFE FOR DENTAL INSURANCE FOR FULL-TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION 58-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH METLIFE FOR VISION INSURANCE FOR FULL-TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION 59-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH METLIFE FOR LIFE AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE FOR FULL-TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Third Readings:

RESOLUTION 53-2021

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION REFERRING A REZONING APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE PETROS DEVELOPMENT GROUP TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 50-02698 FROM C-H HISTORIC COMMERCIAL II TO R-3 CLUSTER RESIDENTIAL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION 42-2021 (as amended 5-13-21)

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO ESTABLISH A CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND RECEIVE ITS SHARE OF FUNDS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY



MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 42-2021.

Moved by Boester, seconded by Domanick. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 43-2021

Offered by All of Council

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 339.02, "USE OF LOCAL STREETS; LOCAL PERMIT AND CONDITIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO INCREASE THE LOCAL PERMIT FEE FOR MOVING OVERSIZED AND OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES UPON VILLAGE STREETS AND THE HOURLY RATE FOR POLICE OFFICERS NEEDED TO SUPERVISE THE MOVEMENT OF SUCH VEHICLES

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 43-2021.

Moved by Beshara, seconded by Stoppenhagen. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE 39-2021

Offered by All of Council

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VILLAGE ZONING DISTRICT THROUGH THE REZONING PROCESS FOR 118.7873 ACRES OF LAND CURRENTLY LOCATED IN RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP WITH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION R-1 RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE AMENDED ANNEXATION APPLICATION AND PETITION SUBMITTED ON APRIL 8, 2021 PURSUANT TO SECTION 1115.05 AND 1109.07 OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE

DISCUSSION: Beshara thanked Frantz for making the project more acceptable by reducing the number of homes to 130, along with Rob Morgan and Dan Neff. Bluso Rogers agreed and thanks all of the past and present leaders who made this possible.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 39-2021.

Moved by Waszak, seconded by Philippbar. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Domanick said Ruth Leach had her 100th birthday celebration yesterday.

Frantz asked Council to act on Resolution 53-2021. Wheeler said the referral to PZC was mandatory. Cortes said there was no deadline but rather an inference of a reasonable time frame. Waszak and Boester said there is an inference of an obligation for referral. Waszak said Council is not obligated to follow the PZC recommendation. Beshara said she is against it but understands the process. Lyons noted that voting yes on Resolution 53 does not mean a yes vote on the entire proposal.

MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 53-2021.

Moved by Waszak, seconded by Philippbar. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None.



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MOTION: TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY, SALE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DISCIPLINE OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL AND HIRING OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.

Moved by Beshara, seconded by Stoppenhagen. Upon roll call, motion passed unanimously.

Executive session lasted from 9:31 to 10:44 p.m., when Lyons adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Gorman
Clerk of Council

Mike Lyons
Council President

