



**RICHFIELD VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020**

**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 McLean, Finance Director Turk, Planning and Zoning Director Frantz, Service Director Papp and Law Director Cortes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2020 REGULAR MEETING, AS CORRECTED.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:** None.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Report:**

- The mayor thanked the safety forces for handling many calls over the Fourth of July weekend.
- Wheeler said he would like a work session discussion of the future of the employee garden.
- The Eastwood barn needs attention, and we are trying to get a grant to help repair it.
- Public buildings will remain as long as the state's 10-person rule is in effect.
- Thanks for the service department for repairing trails.
- Road construction will begin soon.
- Wheeler and Papp are reviewing the Rumpke trash contract.
- The mayor would like an executive session on the discipline or dismissal of an employee.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Chief Swanson – Police**



**Calls for Service:**

939 -Village  
204-Township

**Report**

I would like to make a motion for Council to accept a very generous donation from Roger and Gwendolyn Rains, in the amount of \$250, for School Resource Officer Dressler's Food Drive. The police department is very grateful for the thoughtfulness of Mr. and Mrs. Rains for this donation. SRO Dressler will use it to purchase food for families in the area.

Digital Ally is our provider of body cameras and in-car cameras. They have provided us with a much-needed upgrade to our camera system, part of which will allow for partial cloud storage of our related audio and video. This was provided at minimal costs within our current budget. Currently, more than ever, it is imperative that we keep these systems up to date and functioning properly and efficiently.

On June 20, Metro SWAT members from various departments provided our officers with a very up-to-date training on building entries and the use of force. There was no cost for the training, as this is one of the advantages of belonging to the Metro SWAT Team.

On June 29, the Akron Municipal Court Deputy Chief Prosecutor provided our officers with an in-service training on current case law and legal aspects as it relates to use of force.

**MOTION:** TO ACCEPT ROGER AND GWENDOLYN RAINS'S DONATION OF \$250 FOR THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER'S FOOD DRIVE.

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



## Chief McLean– Fire

June was a busy month, as calls were back up and the department deals with motor-vehicle accidents and fires in and out of town. Tornado siren maintenance is complete at Richfield Woods Park. Lt. Urban is out after becoming a new dad, and another department member is injured but will return soon. Assistant Chief Seifert said Summit County has experienced an uptick in COVID cases, and masks may become mandatory.

### Report:

- Calls for the month of June: Village EMS 75, Fire 17- Township EMS 20, Fire 3. Swat call outs 2, Mutual Aid given 7, Mutual Aid received 8.  
**Total Response 117**
- Cova illness calls are still being tracked and screened, and our in-house team is planning and organizing for additional PPE. We continue to follow all protocols, decon and additional part-time staffing.
- We have reviewed the CARES Act and HB 481 at a staff meeting. We are preparing all the FEMA 214 forms required for wage reimbursement for Fire. We will take all IAPs (Incident Action Plans), that were written since March 11 and use those, as they are part of the ICS process to complete the documentation. We will be working with the PD and Dispatch on this.
- We also discussed the reimbursement funding that the Township will receive for Police and Fire wages.
- We are finalizing with the contractor for the apparatus bay floor coating on July 9.
- We are also finalizing with the two companies that have quoted on the new ambulance and will be presenting this shortly to Council.
- We are continuing with Fire Training and EMS Training on a regular basis. I have attached some photos from this past week's Fire training on Wheatley Road.
- The FEMA grant and the BWC grant are still on hold.
- Car 1 will be out of service for some rust repair in the next two weeks.
- We have received repair costs and some general maintenance costs for Engine 13. This engine is 14 years old and will be up for replacement in 3 to 4 years, but it needs to be fully functional for ISO ratings. It is included in our capital 5-year replacement plan.



- We are reviewing our Strategic Plan as we have completed the first 6 months of Year One. The Health and Safety side of the plan is on target, and we are looking at additional community outreach opportunities.

## Recreation

### Park Board:

The Park Board met on Monday, July 6 for their monthly meeting via ZOOM. Agenda items included: funding for the feasibility study; park restroom maintenance due to COVID-19; status of Richfield Woods trail repair; and construction and name recommendation of Hawkins Road Park. The Park Board is currently reviewing the fee schedule and non-profit organization policy.

### Recreation Programs & Facilities:

Following the Governor's guidelines, the majority of programs and use of the rentable facilities and the recreation building will remain closed through the month of July. JumpStart Sports Clinics will offer some summer sports camps but will be limited to ten (10) children with strict compliance regulations beginning in July.

Part-time staff returned to work on Monday, July 6 to begin the 2020 physical inventory for the rentable facilities, Park and Recreation Building and Johnston Barn. Inventory work began at 3333 Brecksville Road. Non-Village assets will be identified and segregated. Anyone who has loaned items to Park and Recreation should contact the interim Park and Recreation Director to arrange for their property. Affidavits will be required to ensure the proper transfer of property and identification of Village public property. Public records will also be inventoried and archived per the public records retention schedule.

The agreement with Broadview Heights Mayor to allow residents to use their recreation center is still in process. Scheduling a meeting has been challenging due to the ever-changing COVID-19 guidelines.

The Park and Recreation Building, 3333 Brecksville Road, will remain closed. Staff will be moved to the Town Hall to conduct departmental activities. Thanks to Chris Papp, Service Director and Sandy Turk, Finance Director, who graciously provided office space in exchange for some administrative support during the department's downtime due to COVID-19 recreation restrictions.



## Director Papp – Service

ODOT asked Richfield to support construction of a third lane on Interstate 77 from Ghent Road to the turnpike. That would be a \$20 million project. The Highlander crosswalk and asphalt paving projects are underway.

Bids were opened for the concrete pad replacement at the fire department. The apparent winning bid was \$72,000, which is less than the engineer's estimate of \$90,000. The Brecksville Road sewer has another leak, which will require shutting down and pumping around the problem area.

Stoppenhagen asked about the Motor Road projects. Papp said the bulk of the storm sewer design is complete, and GPD is starting on the groundwater portion. Waszak said it was good to see NEORSF funds coming back to be used in Richfield.

### Report:

The Service Department continues to respond to normal and emergent work activities. Administratively, we continue to complete permitting, plan review, sewer billing, 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 has prepared a brief overview of the Village's sanitary sewer system for Council at a time to be set by Council request.
- The 2020 Asphalt Program started July 2<sup>nd</sup> and will continue through August/September. The contractor is giving notice in areas they will be working via door hangers.
- The Service Department completed asphalt path repairs at Richfield Woods. We have also worked with GPD to develop replacement costs to be discussed at Council's & the Mayor's discretion.
- The Service Department continues to work with the Fire Department to make sure safety protocols are current and PPEs for Service staff are available. Administration building and Service Department facilities "spray" decontamination occurs weekly at the end of the week. It is highly recommended that others are not present during this operation.
- The Service Department is working with contractors to refine the costs for the Brecksville Road force main repairs. A new leak occurred last week. This is in addition to the leak that has been temporarily repaired.
- The Service Department will continue with brush chipping by quadrant in July.
- The Service Department is working on outfitting two new police vehicles.
- The Service Department completed the first round of the entire Village mowing of ditch lines and guardrail trimming.
- The Service Department completed a major repair to a culvert in Deer Creek.

### Recommendations/Considerations:

- 1) Please consider the following items for a future workshop:



- a. Sanitary Sewer System Overview Presentation
- b. Richfield Woods Paved Path Discussion
- c. Revisiting the mapping for the Village's storm and sanitary systems
- d. Sanitary Sewer Division staffing
- e. Rumpke refuse contract renewal discussion

**Motions/Legislation:**

- 1) Recommendation to approve a future resolution in support of an ODOT project to construct a 3rd lane from Ghent Road to the Ohio Turnpike.

**Director Frantz – Planning & Zoning**

**Report:**

- 1) At their recent meeting on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Planning Commission took the following actions:
  - a. approved a conditional zoning certificate to operate a truck maintenance facility (Boyko Trucking) in an existing maintenance building located at 3024B Brecksville Road; and
  - b. approved a request to erect a 4'x4' (16 sq.ft.) wall sign on the property located at 3024 Brecksville Road. An approval was also provided to the same applicant to erect a 4.5'x6' (27 sq.ft.) ground sign for the building located at 2901 Brecksville Road.

Pursuant to Section 1173.07 (d) of the Planning and Zoning Code, I am asking Council's consideration to waive their "call-up" authority so I can issue the conditional zoning certificate for Boyko Trucking, as recommended by the Commission.

Planning Commission tabled a preliminary plan to construct a new 4,290 square foot gas station (with a convenience store) located at the corner of Wheatley Road and Kinross Lakes Parkway. This item was tabled at the applicant's request due to their need to overcome the riparian limitations on the subject property.

At the upcoming meeting (7-14), the Commission will hear the following cases:

- a. preliminary plan approval to expand an existing assembly, servicing facility in the building at 3942 Brecksville Road;
- b. conditional zoning approval to expand an existing assembly, servicing use in the building at 3942 Brecksville Road; and
- c. a variance from Section 1179.15 of the Zoning Code to permit construction of a new 4,290 square foot gas station in the riparian setback on property located at the intersection of Wheatley Road and Kinross Lakes Parkway.



2) At their recent meeting on June 24, the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) affirmed the Conclusions of Fact and Findings of Law related to their denial of case 03-2020. The property owner in this matter has 30 days from to appeal the BZA decision to the Court of Common Pleas.

3) Several property maintenance inspections were conducted since my last report, and violation letters were issued. A few of these matters may result in Court citations and require additional legal funds from Council. If these matters are referred to Court, I will let Council know of my budgetary request. If you are interested in finding out details regarding these matters, please do not hesitate to email or call.

4) GPD Group will be presenting various layouts and options for the Kinross Lakes/Wheatley Road sidewalk project at the July 15 Council work session. From this meeting, Administration is requesting Council provide direction regarding which alternative to pursue. GPD will immediately perform the field survey for the selected layout so a project budget can be formulated for Council in advance of the 2021 budget discussions.

During the July 15 meeting, Rob Morgan will be presenting layouts and planning schemes for the center of town that will focus on the adaptive reuse of the Heinle house (and property). The presentation will also examine the existing entrance to the library off Grant Street and possible layouts for improvement.

5) The BP building is scheduled for demolition the week of July 20 and should take no more than one week to complete. I will keep Council apprised if any further delay occurs.

**MOTION: TO WAIVE CALLUP AUTHORITY TO ALLOW THE CONDITIONAL ZONING CERTIFICATE FOR BOYKO TRUCKING.**

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

#### **Director Turk – Finance**

#### **Report:**

##### **Update on Financials**

Through June 30, we have collected \$12,833,192 of the \$28,738,000 budgeted for revenue, or 44.7% of the budget, slightly below the expected rate of 50% since we are just completing six months of the year. Even though some of our major revenues appear to be coming in weaker than last year, \$12,225,095 was expended overall by the Village through June 30, or 34.6% of the \$35,285,668 budgeted for expenditures. At



the General Fund level, 44% of the budget was expended. We will continue to closely monitor both revenue and expenditures.

#### Income Tax Collections

June's income tax collections came in at \$758,675, or \$116,956 (13.4%) lower than June 2019. Year-to-date, we are down \$535,274, or 9.7% less than 2019 year-to-date. Withholding is down \$182,866, or 3.9%, net profits are down \$197,602, or 36.2%, and individuals are down \$154,805, or 44.5%.

In July, we will see if the reductions in net profits and individuals are due to the extension of the income tax filings to July 15<sup>th</sup>. I will send out the June income tax report next week.

#### 2021 Tax Budget

The County Budget Commission distributed the 2021 Alternative Tax Budget forms. They waived the requirement for political subdivisions to adopt a tax budget as provided under ORC Section 5705.281, but instead require the filing of this Alternative Tax Budget Information document on an annual basis.

I must file a copy of this document for the village with the Summit County Fiscal Officer on or before July 20, 2020. Formal adoption of the Tax Budget by Council is not required. The Tax Budget provides the basis for the Village's Official Certificate of Estimated Resources.

By the law, the Village cannot adopt an appropriations budget which exceeds the Certificate. This document establishes the outside limits on spending.

#### 2018/2019 Audits

Charles E. Harris released the audit of the Village on June 30<sup>th</sup> to Council and the Mayor. Please note that ongoing investigations have not been included in this report. A separate report will be issued by the Auditor of State pertaining to those matters. Also, all information contained in the email is considered confidential information until the report is released by the Auditor of State.

#### Vacation





I am on vacation July 6th and 7<sup>th</sup>; if you need assistance, please contact Kevin Edwards at extension 223.

**Recommendations/Considerations:** The resolution to affirm the use of the County Covid-19 Local Government Payroll Support Grant Program is submitted for first reading, consideration of suspension of second and third readings, and consideration of adoption is requested in order to apply in a timely fashion for our share of funds.

In addition, the appropriation resolution to cover a potential \$515,000 income tax refund and \$268,279 of CARES Act funds is submitted for first reading and consideration of suspension of the second and third readings in order to adopt the resolution at the July 7<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. This would allow us to process the income tax refund by July 15<sup>th</sup> and start spending the CARES Act funds since expenses back to March 1<sup>st</sup>, qualify.

**Legislation:**

**1) Resolution No. 43-2020 Request to receive funds from the County Covid-19 Local Government Payroll Support Grant Program, and declaring an emergency**

This Resolution is submitted for first reading, consideration of suspending second and third readings, and consideration of adoption. This resolution authorizes the execution of the Application and Agreement for the Program. It also establishes the two required Special Revenue Funds titled Summit County Coronavirus Relief Fund and the Summit County Covid-19 PSGP Fund to be used to receipt and expend the funds from. The funds can only be spent in accordance with the requirements of section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601 (d), and any applicable regulations and guidance received.

The Village will be receiving \$164,453 from the House Bill 481 distribution and \$103,816.85 from Summit County's Covid-19 PSGP Fund distribution. Local governments must spend or commit funds by October 15, 2020 or they will be forfeited and redistributed to other local political subdivisions who have expended all funds. Additional distribution can be forthcoming if not all municipalities utilize all of their funding, plus



the State still has \$850 million to distribute from CARES Act funding.

**2) Resolution No. 41 -2020 Repealing Resolution 31-2020 and Authorizing an Agreement with TelaDoc Health, Inc. for physician services for full-time Village employees for August 1, 2020 through July 30, 2021 and declaring an emergency**

This Resolution will have to be modified prior to adoption at the July 21<sup>st</sup> Council meeting. The Law Director has to craft the resolution to remove the TelaDoc information from Exhibit A in the 2018 Resolution, and remove Section 2 from the 2019 and 2020 Resolutions referring to employees contributing in the premium costs. Proposals received for this service are also going to be reviewed by the Council Insurance Committee to determine the final recommendation. TelaDoc did revise their renewal to reflect no increase in the cost for the August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021 contract.

The current cost of coverage is \$6.44 per full-time employee per month. 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 \$31,000 over the past year.

**3) Resolution No. 42-2020 To make Appropriations for Current Expenses During the Year Ending December 31, 2020 and Declaring an Emergency.**

This Resolution is being submitted for first reading and consideration of suspending the second and third readings, and consideration of adoption at the July 7<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. This will allow us to process an income tax refund by July 15<sup>th</sup>, to appropriate the CARES Act monies, and appropriate funds to cover legal services in relation to land transactions.

Income tax information is classified as confidential and cannot be disclosed outside of the Income Tax Office. With that being said, if you recall last year, we had a very well-paid individual that retired from one of our top twelve companies in 2018 that caused a significant decline in our income tax collections for 2019.



We received a request from this individual and the taxpayer's accountant for a refund of approximately \$515,000 for a three-year period from 2016, 2017, 2018. This is for stock options that were exercised and taxed in Ohio by the employer. The taxpayer is saying that the stock options were exercised while working and living in a far western state and thus owes taxes to this western state and the employer should not have withheld Ohio taxes. Thus, the request for the refund. The individual also has a home here in Ohio.

Due to the large amount of the refund, we have reached out to the Law Director and their Tax Department to validate that our findings are correct and that the refund is actually due the taxpayer. Staff verified that the taxpayer's accountant has prepared the western state's tax returns and that the taxpayer will be paying a significant amount to them.

Last year, we refunded a total of \$240,000 and I only appropriated \$228,346 for refunds this year. We already processed refunds of \$68,602. Thus, the request for an additional appropriation of \$515,000. Once again, we want confirmation from Walter Haverfield that the requested refund is valid prior to refunding the money.

Secondly, we are requesting the appropriation of our allocation of \$164,453 of HB481 funds and \$103,817 of the County's Covid-19 Payroll Program funds. The funds can cover necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus disease.

Lastly, we are requesting \$5,000 to cover potential legal expenses related to land/building transactions. Only \$2,926 remains in the account for legal services.

**Law Director:** No report.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS



**Buildings & Grounds:** Waszak would like the committee to discuss the condition of the recreation and service buildings.

**Public Works:** Domanick said the committee will meet on July 27 to discuss the Eastwood barn.

**Parks:** Domanick said he will make a motion to add \$5,000 for the community center feasibility study.

**Insurance:** Philippbar said the committee met today to discuss quotes for tele-medicine. Four companies submitted bids, and the committee recommends that the village remains with Teladoc.

**RJRD:** Gund Hall restrooms are being updated, and they should be ready on Aug. 1. The park director candidate did not accept the position. The job is being reposted with increases in salary and vacation time.

#### CAUCUS

**COMMENTS FROM FLOOR ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:** None.

#### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION:** TO ADD RESOLUTION 53-2020 TO THE AGENDA.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADD RESOLUTION 54-2020 TO THE AGENDA.

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

#### First Readings:

#### **RESOLUTION 42-2020**

Offered by All of Council

**A RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**MOTION:** TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 42-2020.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 42-2020.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 43-2020**

Offered by All of Council



**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO RECEIVE ITS SHARE OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY COVID-19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAYROLL SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**MOTION:** TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 43-2020.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 43-2020.

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

**RESOLUTION 44-2020**

Offered by All of Council

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH BATH TOWNSHIP AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE REVERE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO CONTINUE THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**RESOLUTION 45-2020**

Offered by All of Council

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 4 TO THE OHIO TRANSPORTATION REVIEW ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR FUNDING FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION AND WIDENING OF INTERSTATE 77 FROM GHENT ROAD TO THE OHIO TURNPIKE IN THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**MOTION:** TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 45-2020.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 45-2020.

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

**RESOLUTION 46-2020**

Offered by All of Council

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION 47-2018 (AS AMENDED 6/14/2018) AND RESOLUTION 40-2019 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO REIMBURSE VILLAGE EMPLOYEES THE COST OF EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS PAID TOWARD TELADOC SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**



**MOTION:** TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 46-2020.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 46-2020.

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

**RESOLUTION 47-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 3.01 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO PROVIDE THAT THE MAYOR SHALL NOT BE A CANDIDATE FOR ANY OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE WHILE SERVING AS MAYOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**RESOLUTION 48-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 4.14 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO PROVIDE THAT EACH COUNCIL MEMBER ELECTED OR APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY SHALL NOT HAVE COMPLETED TWO CONSECUTIVE ELECTED TERMS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEMBER'S APPOINTMENT TO THE UNEXPIRED TERM TO WHICH THE COUNCIL MEMBER IS APPOINTED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**RESOLUTION 49-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 4.14 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO CHANGE THE COUNCIL ORGINZATIONAL MEETING TIME FROM 8:00 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**RESOLUTION 50-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 10.01 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO APPOINT TWO ALTERNATE MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS TO TERMS OF FIVE YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY



**RESOLUTION 51-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 13.01 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO APPOINT TWO ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD TO TERMS OF TWO YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**RESOLUTION 52-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 13.03 OF THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO CLARIFY THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD TO ACCEPT FINANCIAL AND LAND DONATIONS FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**RESOLUTION 53-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUMMIT COUNTY LAND BANK WITH RESPECT TO AN ABANDONED AND VACANT PROPERTY ON BRECKSVILLE ROAD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**MOTION:** TO SUSPEND SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF RESOLUTION 53-2020.

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

**MOTION:** TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 53-2020.

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

**RESOLUTION 54-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE TYPOGRAPHICAL AND NON-SUBSTANTIVE CORRECTIONS TO THE CHARTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

*Second Readings:*

**RESOLUTION 41-2020**

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 31-2020 THAT AUTHORIZED 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, 2020 THROUGH JULY 31, 2021, 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, 2020 THROUGH JULY 31, 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**MOTION:** TO TABLE RESOLUTION 41-2020.

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

*Third Readings:*

**ORDINANCE 16-2016**

Offered by All of Council

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH RICHFIELD FURNACE RUN ASSOCIATES LLC AND WATER AND SEWER LLC AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**ORDINANCE 17-2016**

Offered by All of Council

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 1128 OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD'S PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, ENTITLED "RCD SINGLE FAMILY CONSERVATION DISTRICT," TO FACILITATE R-3 RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Wheeler said the Eastwood barn could be saved or torn down for a cost. The bricks were fired on the Johnston farm, so removing the barn would lose that history. The village could get a grant from the Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources to save it, along with donations from the community. Waszak said the barn adds ambience, as well as a buffer to the Taylor property on the west. Beshara said the barn should be used if it is saved.

Domanick asked for an additional \$5,000 for Pros Consulting for the community center feasibility study. Pros is a good company that submitted the lowest bid, and its study would provide sufficient detail.

**MOTION:** TO ALLOCATE AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000 FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY.

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





### NEW BUSINESS

Beshara noted that mayor's assistant Debbie Bluso Rogers has announced her retirement. She thanked Bluso Rogers for her years of services. Wheeler said Bluso Rogers will be spending time with her husband and upcoming grandchild.

Replacing her will be Laura Toth, who served with Wheeler at Novex as an executive assistant. She has also worked with an engineering firm.

Frantz announced that ALICE will be moving into its new facility and bringing 80 jobs to Richfield.

Beshara said she still thinks the village should hire a new animal warden after a dog went missing for three days,

### COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

On the Zoom chat, Peg Patterson said the village still needs to donate the frozen food in the Senior Center.

Pat Healey said the Recreation building should be appraised commercially.

Bill Roemer thanked Officer Bart for helping a lost driver.

### WORK SESSION

Kyle Janis of the fire department talked about the plan to identify homes with long driveways that would need more than one fire department vehicle. Blue numbered placards would identify these homes for responding firefighters.

**MOTION:** TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A VILLAGE EMPLOYEE.

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

Executive session lasted from 8:37 to 9:23 p.m., when Lyons adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Gorman  
Clerk of Council

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