**VILLAGE OF COOLVILLE**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

Village of Coolville Council convened in regular session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, Mayor Pro-Term Roxanna Chiki called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call: Councilwoman Toncray: Present, Councilman Rood; Present, Councilwoman Doyle; Present, Councilwoman Ledsome: Present, Councilman Miller: Absent

Jim Ford led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 13th meeting, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote.

Citizens’ Concerns: George Gilbert and Roxanna Chiki have organized a Christmas decorating contest in the Village. Gilberts Lawn Service, LLC would put up the prize money which would be $100.00 for 1st place, $75.00 for 2nd place and $50.00 for 3rd place. Placing will be determined by citizens voting on their preference. Contest will start on December 14th and voting will take place through to the morning of December 19th. Winners will be announced the evening of the 19th. Council like the idea of doing it and ballots can be picked up at the Village Hall when it begins. Vivian Kennedy appreciates the street light placed on the corner of her place. Sandy Dixon said the junk cars through-out town need to be addressed. Teena Stambaugh reported the spay and neuter program for animals throughout Village was well utilized, they are going to be selling Rada utensils to raise money to continue to fund it.

Sewer: RCAP is offered to do a sewer rate study to make sure where our rate need to be in the Village. The Sewer Committee met and discuss the following: houses that aren’t hooked up to the sewer yet, rate for next year, multi rates for put in place for sewer where there are more dwellings on same water tap, policy change on return check to match water policy. Council agreed these items need to be looked into. New owners of Deans Station were washing down the building with water from the water tap by the sewer plant, Analytical Associates put a stop to it.

Old Business: Council discussed joining Ohio Municipal League, the cost is $235.00 a year. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to join OML for 2021, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it. all voted yes by roll call vote.

Ordinances and Resolutions: Chief Miller reported the need to adopt the Ohio Basic Code as the Village municipal code yearly. He read the Resolution 2020-11 to adopt the 2020 OBC in the Village out loud. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to declare it an emergency and suspend the rules of a 2nd and 3rd reading, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-11 the Resolution to adopt the 2020 Ohio Basic Code in the Village, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. Ordinance 2020-06 to enter into a contract to allow AEP to maintain the power lines and equipment in the Village was read, Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to approve the 3rd reading and adopt Ordinance 2020-06, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. Ordinance 2020-07 to Regulate Junk and Unlicensed Vehicles was read. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to accept the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2020-07, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. The Village applied for a $240,000.00 Community Capital Improvement Grant to upgrade some streets in the Village administered by Buckeye Hills, the Village would have to match it with $66,000.00 (monies received through a Community Block Development Grant earlier this year). Resolution 2020-09 was read allowing the Mayor to apply for the Grant. Councilwoman Toncray made a motion to declare it an emergency and suspend the rules of a 2nd and 3rd reading, Councilwoman Doyle 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. Councilwoman Toncray made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-09 the Resolution to apply for the Community Capital Improvement Grant and allowing the Mayor to sign for it, Councilwoman Doyle 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote.

New Business: The dumpster on Seminary Street was placed to clean up a property, County was asked if they would help with the cost of it. They said they can cover up to $950.00 in costs on it. It was discussed if we could also get help for the owner to address this problem. The 317 Board was contacted and they are looking into it. Mike Copeland is looking into some grants to help update the water system.

Finance: Need to change our budget for the CARES act money, and we also need to adjust our amounts of revenue in the Water and Sewer funds. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to adopt the amended budget as presented by the Fiscal Officer, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it. all voted yes by roll call vote. The Village also needs to encumber the CARES Act money by the 20th of November, the Council discussed the following amounts per project, $12,000.0 for Handicap access ramp to the Hall, $11,316.15 for a police cruiser, $2,000.00 for restroom upgrades, $2000.00 for technology to help with virtual meetings, $1000.00+ for safety items to clean, sanitize, and personal protection items. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to encumber the money as decided, Councilwoman Doyle 2nd it. all voted yes by roll call vote. The architect to design the access ramp can do it for $1,200.00 or less and $600.00 in state permit fees. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to pay for the design and permit costs out of the CARES money for the access ramp, Councilwoman Doyle 2nd it. all voted yes by roll call vote. Finance Committee to meet on November 1th at 6:00pm at the Village Hall.

Safety and Personnel: Talked about Holiday hours for the employees and when the Hall would be open, will be posted on the door. Meter reading will be done on the 23rd. Streets looking good, will get sand and cinders for the winter and a price on blade repair.

Streets: Has any of the repairs been done on the truck? No none done yet.

Water: Pumps should be here in 2 weeks. Work to begin in December and January by Weber. Will start on line repairs in next few weeks. Council discussed adjustments to utility bills, have a multi minimum adjustment that needs to be made. Councilwoman Ledsome made a motion to approve the adjustment, Councilwoman Toncray 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. roll call vote. We are looking into software and meters that would allow automatic meter reading. The Water committee will meet November the 12th at 6:00pm at the Village Hall. Leak discovered at Rita Seals and will be worked on tomorrow. Oscar Carson is not reading our meters anymore

Building and Grounds: The roofing company said they are going to start on the roof replacement after their current job. Street lights are being checked throughout the Village and being reported to AEP.

Nuisance: Dumpster still sitting there, still some cleaning that needs to be done

Police Report: There has been some bikes donated and the Chief will give them out to kids in the Village. Candace is doing an outstanding job as the Mayors Court Clerk and is helping on the investigation that is ongoing. There is a lot going on in the Village and Chief is working on it. Criminal case to be held this Thursday in Athens Municipal Court.

Councilwoman Toncray made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Councilwoman Ledsome 2nd it, all voted yes by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Toncray made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Ledsome 2nd it, all were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jim Ford, Fiscal Officer

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Roxanna Chiki, Council President