

Special Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 26, 2021 – 7 PM • Virtual by Zoom

Item	Presented By:	Action	Topic	Report
Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call for Quorum	Mayor Stefan Densmore			<p>The Village Council convened a Special meeting on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7 PM by video conference with Mayor Stefan Densmore presiding. The Mayor previously called this meeting as a special meeting.</p> <p>This remote access meeting was allowed by emergency legislation adopted by the Ohio General Assembly and approved by the Governor. The emergency legislation added language to RC Section 121.22 allowing public meetings by telephone or video conference during the current pandemic and the declared State of Emergency. As required by the statute, notice of the video meeting was publicized more than 24 hours in advance to allow public access. The public was also given back up numbers to call in the event there were difficulties accessing the meeting by Zoom video. This Notice of Meeting was posted on the Village's website and a similar Notice was sent to various media outlets.</p> <p>Roll call of Council Members: Mr. Boettcher: Present Ms. Chaney: Present Mr. Kneipp: Present Mr. Pridonoff: Present Ms. Snyder: Present Mr. Van Harn: Present</p> <p>All members present except for Mr. Kneipp. Motion to excuse Mr. Kneipp by Mr. Van Harn Second by Mr. Pridonoff All members voted in favor</p> <p>Mr. Kneipp arrived at 7:08 pm</p>

Set the Agenda & Adopt	Mayor Densmore	Review & Motion		Motion to adopt the agenda by Mr. Boettcher Second by Mr. Pridonoff All voted in favor.
Persons Registered to Address Council	Resident/Visitor	3-minute time limit per speaker.	Bret Palmer, Signal Hill Solutions	Mr. Hirth introduced Mr. Palmer who is contracted by the Village to provide IT services. The Village had received a number of surplus laptop computers several years ago from The Kroger Company, procured by Ms. Chaney when she was an employee there. The technology of the laptops was no longer compatible with the needs of the Village and became too costly to repurpose. As a result, the Village donated them to a school in Milford where they are now used for remote learning. This was a better outcome and allowed them to be recycled rather than simply disposing of them. Mr. Palmer expressed his appreciation on behalf of the school, teachers and children and showed a brief video of their thanks.
Minutes to be Approved	Andy Lanser	Review & Motion	April 12, 2021 Minutes	Motion to accept the 4/12/2021 Council minutes by Ms. Snyder Second by Mr. Pridonoff All voted in favor.
Departments/Committees				
LMFR Fire District Chief Report	Chief Terry Timmers	Report		No report
Mayor	Mayor Densmore	Report & Announcements	Report	Mayor's Report
Village Administrator	Ron Hirth	Report	Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID – 19 Protocols: Masks, social distancing, temperature checks and contact tracing are still in place when visiting the municipal building. The exterior tent is back in place for the summer and will service as an alternate meeting space. We are not booking reservations for the hall. There are some folks asking to do events in the park which are being approved on a case-by-case basis with Governor's guidelines still required: no more than 10 people, social distancing and required to wear a mask. • Development of Strategic Plan: We have applied for CEDAP mini-grant funding to cover the cost of the initial project. A

				<p>Council “listening forum” will be scheduled as soon as we know the status of the funding request.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Commission Opening. Received 1 application from a resident. If people are interested in joining, please see volunteers’ section of website for more information • Vera Road Project: Still on track to start project by May 15th. Communication to affected residents will go out next week. • Stimulus funding. Nothing new to report. We all participate in a seminar provided by the Ohio Auditor will be held this Thursday. • Diversity Training: Will be offered to Village employees across three classes on June 3 and 4. After that, a leadership session will be conducted on June 15 to include the elected officials and management staff. Please note your calendars.
Fiscal Officer	Andy Lanser	Report	Financial Packet – March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the month of March FY21, the Village had an adjusted bank balance of \$2.4 million. Of this amount, approximately \$2.2 million can be found in the Village’s primary checking account. The remaining balance rests in several law enforcement supplemental funds. Please note that the majority of the balance in the Village’s primary checking account resides in several dedicated road and street funds, and can only be spent for those purposes. • In March FY21 the Village issued 87 payments that totaled \$216,429.28. the top five payment payees for the month were payroll, Ohio Police and Fire Pension, Rumpke, legal counsel, and OPERS. • As for Village receipts, the Village received 37 payments that totaled \$119,828.91. The largest sources of revenue were RITA, Ohio Plan, State of Ohio, and Hamilton County. • Total General Fund revenue for the month was \$90,408.10. This figure was approximately 10% less than what was generated by the Village over the same period last year. Total General Fund revenue for the year was \$323,629.59, or 3% more than what the Village generated over the same period last year. • Income tax receipts are \$172,000, \$23,000 below what was received by the Village through March FY20. There could be several reasons for this including the tax filing deadline extension granted by the State of Ohio earlier this year. Village

			<p>Police Department Vehicle Financing</p> <p>Re-appropriation</p>	<p>Administration will continue to monitor closely and make any adjustments necessary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As for Village appropriations the Village has spent \$164,780.75 for the month of March FY21. For the year the Village has spent \$441,255. This figure is in alignment with appropriation forecasts. Village Administration and the Police Department have worked to assemble a series of quotes for purchase a new vehicle to replace Unit 116 which was damaged beyond repair in a vehicle accident. The Village has received quotes from Ford, General Motors, and US Bank. Village Administration is recommending approval of the US Bank quote due to favorable interest rates and payment schedules. Total vehicle financing will be for \$45,000 There will be a request for a re-appropriation this evening. The Village has received an insurance payment for replacing the cruiser that was totaled in a recent accident. The reappropriation would account for this additional funding and make it possible to use the funds to pay-off other vehicles early.
Police	Chief Chris Campbell	Report	Activity Report	<p>No activity report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Department has recently completed a survey for the Department of Justice. The survey was on the topic of training hours required of staff. Chief Campbell is pleased to announce that the number of training hours that Golf Manor police officers complete annually exceeds the recommended number of hours by the Department of Justice.
Second Roll Call for Quorum	Mr. Lanser			<p>Second roll call of Council Members:</p> <p>Mr. Boettcher: Present Ms. Chaney: Present Mr. Kneipp: Present Mr. Pridonoff: Present Ms. Snyder: Present Mr. Van Harn: Present</p> <p>All members present.</p>

			<p>RES – 2021 – 4: A Resolution Authorizing the Administration to Apply for an Administer Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021</p>	<p>Second by Mr. Kneipp Discussion: None Roll call: Mr. Boettcher: Yes Ms. Chaney: Yes Mr. Kneipp: Yes Mr. Pridonoff: Yes Ms. Snyder: Yes Mr. Van Harn: Yes</p> <p>Motion to suspend second and third readings by Ms. Snyder Second by Mr. Van Harn Roll call: Mr. Boettcher: Yes Ms. Chaney: Yes Mr. Kneipp: Yes Mr. Pridonoff: Yes Ms. Snyder: Yes Mr. Van Harn: Yes</p> <p>ORD 2021 – 7 passes.</p> <p>RES – 2021 – 4: For Approval Motion to read by title only by Ms. Snyder Second by Mr. Boettcher All members voted in favor</p> <p>Mr. Donnellon then read the title of the legislation and asked Council to move for approval.</p> <p>Motion to approve by Ms. Snyder Second by Mr. Van Harn Discussion: None Roll call: Mr. Boettcher: Yes Ms. Chaney: Yes Mr. Kneipp: Yes Mr. Pridonoff: Yes Ms. Snyder: Yes Mr. Van Harn: Yes</p>
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				RES 2021 – 4 passes.
Executive Committee	Ashley Snyder	Report		Executive Committee did not meet this evening.
Education	Sharon Chaney	Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRM LSDMC met last week. The topic of the meeting was to discuss the possible expansion of the school building. The LSDMC learned that the proposed project was on the CPS approved list to be completed. • Total student population 643 students. • There are several openings on the LSDMC for next year. • There are 2 open teacher positions at the school. A new committee will be forming to fill the positions.
Non-Profit	Eric Pridonoff	Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go Golf Manor will be hosting the first First Friday Food Truck event on Friday 5/7 at 4 pm in Volunteer Park. The event will occur on the first Friday of each month through August and will have food and beer vendors at each. The event will last from 4 to 9pm.
Fire District Board Member Report	Roger Van Harn Andy Lanser	Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next LMFR Fire Board virtual meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 @ 6 PM. • The District has agreed to contract a grant writer from Lexipol to pursue new radios for the Department.
Planning Commission	Matt Boettcher	Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be no meeting in May. Next Planning Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, June 7, 2021 @ 6:30 PM pending any business.
Engagement	Danny Kneipp, Chair	Report		No report
Finance Committee	Matt Boettcher, Chair	Report		<p>The Finance Committee met this evening. Here is the full report online. Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommended to Council for Mr. Donnellon to draft a purchase contract for a new police vehicle. • There was a discussion about getting a bid to replace the second portion of the building roof. • There was also a discussion about adding a detail pay rate of \$45/hr. for Police Officers.

Old Business		Discussion		
New Business		Discussion		
Announcements				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2021 @ 7 PM • Next Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2021 @ 6 PM • Next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 24, 2021 @ 6 PM • Summer Council sessions begin on June 14, 2021. • Greater Cincinnati Soapbox Derby event returns on Sunday, May 16, 2021 on Bremont Avenue. • Community Group Go Golf Manor holds their inaugural First Friday event in Volunteer Park on Friday, May 7, 2021 from 4 – 9 PM featuring food trucks and adult beverages. • Village Planting Day, takes place on Friday, May 21, 2021 starting at 8:30 am chaired by former Mayor Alan Zaffiro. Lunch and a “Home Team” t-shirt provided to volunteers
Executive Session (Placeholder)	Mr. Donnellon	Discussion	For matters of Personnel & Compensation	<p>Motion for executive session by Mr. Kneipp 8:13 pm Second by Mr. Boettcher</p> <p>Roll call: Mr. Boettcher: Yes Ms. Chaney: Yes Mr. Kneipp: Yes Mr. Pridonoff: Yes Ms. Snyder: Yes Mr. Van Harn: Yes</p> <p>Motion to move from Executive sessions at 8:52 by Mr. Pridonoff Second by Ms. Snyder All members voted in favor</p> <p>Mayor Densmore made the following statement regarding the current and future status of Fire/EMS services in the Village:</p>

				<p>“I am announcing this evening that the Village Council is reviewing fire service delivery models to ensure the best, safest and most cost-effective service is provided to the residents of the Village.</p> <p>Golf Manor joined the Little Miami Joint Fire and Rescue District in January 2018 after being asked by their Board to merge with them in 2015. A feasibility study conducted by the Little Miami District Board of Trustees recommended that Golf Manor should join as a full Member to ensure the long-term stability of the District. Since then, the member communities have continued to evaluate the financial and operational sustainability of operating two fire stations in separate communities that are not physically close to one another.</p> <p>Golf Manor entered into confidential mediation with the other District Members in March 2020, as required by contract, with the intent to resolve any issues with the current operations and finances and continue membership in the District or find alternative service. Golf Manor continues to negotiate in good faith as part of the mediation process.</p> <p>Golf Manor has not made any decision to withdraw from the Little Miami Fire District at this time. Village Council will determine if it is in the best interests of Golf Manor residents to withdraw from the District. Until such time, Golf Manor will remain as a participating member, represented by two participating board members on the District Board of Trustees.</p> <p>Golf Manor does not plan to make any further statement on future plans until the mediation process has concluded.</p> <p>Our first priority is always to ensure that our residents and businesses enjoy the same superior fire and emergency medical services they have relied upon for years. Our mission is to provide superior services at the best cost available.</p>
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				Village Council will be adding an agenda item to future Council meetings moving forward to provide regular updates to the community on the progress of this matter.
Adjourn				Motion to adjourn at by Mr. Pridonoff 8:57 PM Second by Mr. Boettcher All members voted in favor

Approvals:

Submitted by Andy Lanser, Fiscal Officer

Date: _____

Stefan Densmore, Mayor

Date: _____

Anna Gedeon, Asst. Clerk

Date: _____