**September 28, 2020**

**RICHWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the regular meeting of the Richwood Village Council was called to order by Mayor, William Scott Jerew, September 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Scott Jerew called for attendance, Council members present: George Showalter, Laurie Eliot-Shea, Pat Morse, Donald Ridgeway, Reddy Brown, Von Beal, Administrator Monte Asher, Fiscal Officer Sarah Sellers, Solicitor Alison Boggs, and Zoning Officer Marion Bump.

Donald Ridgeway moved and George Showalter seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 09/14/2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Von Beal moved and Donald Ridgeway seconded a motion to approve the warrants as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitor Aaron Smith

Von Beal moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to approve **Resolution 08242020** Accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. (Third and Final Reading)

Reddy Brown moved and Laurie Eliot-Shea seconded a motion to approve **Resolution 09282020** to approve the continuance of Enterprise Zone Tax Incentive agreements with various companies and to report such findings to the Ohio Development Services Agency. (First Reading). Council asked to have expired date added to resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitor Aaron Smith was present to discuss the Opera House and his desire for the historical preservation of the building.

Mayors Report:

Still a mask mandate by Governor DeWine

Detour open on Route 4, It is always good idea to continue to stay behind stop lines to be safe.

Mayor stated during this election year, we all must respect everyone’s private property. Everyone is entitled to his or her choice.

Halloween is Saturday, October 31 from 5 – 7 pm.

Opera House update: Town meeting to be held on Wednesday October 7 at 6 pm. Will start an Opera House committee with Aaron Smith and Reddy Brown.

Census takers are out. Please be nice, they are doing their job. Richwood should be ahead of schedule from the numbers that are in. Last census was 71.4 percent and we are at 71.3 currently.

We received a grant for five thousand dollars ($5,000) for an ADA combo swing set and wheel chair platform. We are in contract and it has been ordered. Thank you to the Health Department and Trailblazers for making this happen.

Picnic tables are here. Village guys will be putting them together tomorrow and this week.

Trail Blazers closed their account at the Union County Foundation and all funds were sent to Sarah now that we have a line item in the budget.

The Health Department is holding a zoom meeting about updating fees and regulations on October 21 at 7:30 and the final meeting is November 18 if anyone wants information on how to attend.

Von Beal moved and Reddy Brown seconded a motion to approve **Resolution 09292020 for Bulk Water sales.** Motion passed unanimously.

Von Beal moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to move forward with Walter Drane to have them update our Ordinance book and resolve any issues we have. Motion passed unanimously.

Monte Asher gave Administration Report

Chief Asher gave Police Report

Sarah Sellers gave Fiscal Report

Old Business:

Was reported that Dudley Circle looks nice for what work has been done. Curbs are in on both sides and first layer of black top should be in this fall. There was a conversation regarding the height of the curbs in comparison to the driveways. This is for water flow.

George Showalter talked about the most recent storm and stated that the water went away and everyone is pleased.

New Business: Pat Morse stated that the fire department received their new fire truck.

It was stated that customer appreciation day would be with no vendors and no tents. This will be for the downtown businesses only this year.

Reddy Brown stated that there are three Eagle Scout projects going on right now. The new bridge for the playground is complete.

George Showalter moved and Von Beal seconded a motion to adjourn and Council approved the motion unanimously. Mayor Scott Jerew adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

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Mayor Fiscal Officer