

**VILLAGE OF DELTA  
VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Bob Gilbert

*Pledge of Allegiance* was led by Mayor Gilbert

Employee's present: Stephanie Mossing (Finance Director), Nathan Hartsock (Police Chief), Bob Gilbert (Mayor) and Kevin Heban (Law Director)

Visitor's present: Tim Cowden, Bill O'Connell (Village Reporter) and John Bay

ROLL CALL—Present: Ashley Todd, Frank Wilton, Chad Johnson, Mike Tanner, Tony Dawson and Lynn Frank

**Minutes March 6, 2020:**

*A motion was made by Frank Wilton, seconded by Chad Johnson to approve the March 6, 2020 council minutes. All votes yea, motion carried.*

**Correspondence:**

Mayor Gilbert briefs council on what the Village staff is doing as far as the office staff is concerned. He reports that the Police, Water, Street and Wastewater departments will still be working but is taking precautions with public exposure. He also reports the park restrooms will be open.

Mayor Gilbert recaps the event of MetalX fire last Monday and is impressed with the work that has been done since the previous fire that took place 6 months ago. He praises the Delta Fire Chief and his accomplishment working with MetalX and their crew.

**Finance Director:**

- Certificate of Recognition – Delta Public Library

- Certificate of Recognition – Jones Funeral Dinner
- Payment to York Twp for Metal X Annexation agreement

*A motion was made by Lynn Frank, seconded by Frank Wilton to approve a certificate of recognition for the Delta Public Library to use Memorial Hall on July 25, 2020 for a self defense class from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. as long as the Governor's safety requirements have been lifted. All votes yea, motion carried.*

The certificate of recognition for Jones funeral dinner was denied because of the group restrictions mandated by the Ohio Governor's office.

**Old Business:**

**Ordinance #20-02:** Enacting Village of Delta Municipal Code section 312

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Johnson to enact Village of Delta Municipal Code 312.00, under-speed vehicles on its 3rd reading. Dawson – No, Johnson – Yea, Frank – No, Todd – Yea, Wilton – Yea, Tanner – Yea, motion carried.

**Resolution #20-04:** Enter into an agreement with Pueblo Lindo for access of property

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Frank to authorize the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with the owners of Pueblo Lindo allowing access and temporary use of Village property adjacent to 100 Jackson Street for parking on its 3rd reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Ordinance #20-05:** Negotiate with Fulton Co Comm for transfer of ownership

A motion was made by Todd, seconded by Wilton to authorize the Village Administrator to negotiate with the Fulton County Commissioners for the transfer of ownership for the sanitary sewer infrastructure serving users within the

industrial areas along State Route 109 and county Road 10 on its 2nd reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Resolution #20-06:** Entering into an agreement with Steve Raker for services  
A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Todd to authorize the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with Steve Raker for services to plant and maintain flowers within the downtown business district on its 2nd reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Resolution #20-07:** To renew an existing levy for recreational purposes  
A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Tanner to renew an existing levy for recreational purposes pursuant to Ohio Revised Code sections 5705.19(h) and 57-5.25 and requesting the auditor to certify the amount of revenue to be generated by the proposed levy renewal on its 1<sup>st</sup> reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Ordinance #20-06:** Designating the depository of active, interim and inactive funds

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Frank to suspend the readings for Ordinance #20-06. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Frank to estimate amount of active and interim monies and amount of inactive monies of the Village of Delta and designating the depository of active, interim and inactive funds and declaring an emergency. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Frank seconded by Tanner to approve the invoices in the amount of \$142,518.51. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Questions:**

Councilman Dawson suggests we look at increasing the income tax by .25% to fix the roads and water valves.

Lynn Frank asked how much that would generate. Mossing replied she didn't know off hand.

Dawson replied he thought it should be around \$100,000.

Mayor Gilbert commented he understood the concern and believes a committee should look at this and find out the details. Discuss with the departments what has been done in the past and what needs to be done in the future. Rather than make a off the cuff decision to collect a random amount we should discuss it with the committee that covers this topic.

Mr. Heban states that because its an income tax it is not like a levy that you can designate a project. But you can indicate to the public that you are going to use it for that purpose and then we will need to educate the public and show them that you are using it for the specific purpose. But you can have a policy that says any increase in the income tax will go to a specific use.

Mayor Gilbert ask Lynn Frank to come up with a date for the Finance Committee that works well to discuss this and talk with the Water and Wastewater Department also.

Mr. Tanner states that we have in the works discussions concerning the water and wastewater and thought we could have a Village Services meeting first and then take the information to a Finance Committee meeting. Tanner said he would like to postpone the meeting until Mr. Peebles returns from vacation.

Mr. Heban makes council aware, if we are going to increase the income tax the Village will have to take it to the voters. Kevin explains that some municipalities have decreased or eliminated the credit given to taxpayers, which we can do without going to the voters. He just wanted us to be aware of that. Mossing replied we give 1% credit to taxpayers now.

Bill O'Connell (Village Reporter) Asked about MetalX and what they are doing to prevent these fires, or do they have protocols in place?

Mayor Gilbert responded that they are trying to minimize the effect, and there is always going to be possible fires just because of the nature of products they receive and the materials that are in the vehicles. They have tried separating the piles so if there is a fire its consolidated to a specific smaller area. Bob says he believes they have a good system going and they are working with the Fire Chief to create a system that has breaks so when the fire department gets there, they have better control. Which they did this time.

Lynn Frank commented we could have a joint meeting.

Mr. O'Connell asked Chief Hartsock with these new rules shutting down the restaurants and eateries if he walked into one of those places and there were 20 people eating will he have to police this or will he shut them down. Chief Hartsock, said no that would be a health code Violation, with the health department having to enforce that.

Chief Hartsock announced April 25, 2020 was supposed to be drug take back day, but that is cancelled at this time.

The next regular council meeting will be April 6, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Dawson made a motion to adjourn at 5:58 p.m., Todd seconded.

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Mayor Bob Gilbert

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Clerk of Council

