

**VILLAGE OF DELTA
VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS VIA CONFERENCE CALL
MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021 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

Prayer was led by Pastor Seth Adkins, Swancreek Community Church

Employee's present: Stephanie Mossing (Finance Director), Bob Gilbert (Mayor), Brad Peebles (Administrator), Drew Walker (Sergeant) and Nathan Hartssock (Police Chief)

Visitors present: John Bay and Seth Adkins

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

A motion was made by Chad Johnson, seconded by Ashley Todd to excuse Mike Tanner from the January 4, 2021 Council Meeting. All votes yea, motion carried.

Minutes December 21, 2020:

A motion was made by Ashley Todd, seconded by Chad Johnson to approve the December 21, 2020 council minutes as written. All votes yea, motion carried.

Election of Council President:

A motion was made by Chad Johnson, seconded by Ashley Todd for Frank Wilton to be Council President for the year 2021. All votes yea, motion carried.

Establish meeting schedule for 2021:

- 1st and 3rd Monday of the month
- February, due to Presidents Day will be the 1st and 4th Monday
- July, due to Independence Day will be the 2nd and 3rd Monday
- September, due to Labor Day will be the 2nd and 3rd Monday

A motion was made by Ashley Todd, seconded by Chad Johnson to approve the schedule of council meetings in 2021 as discussed and displayed. All votes yea, motion carried.

Public Addressing Council:

John Bay, 713 Greenview Street, asked about the November 16th council meeting where a question concerning a housing development in Delta was brought up. Mr. Bay would like to know what development this was? Mr. Dawson explained it was the property on Taylor Street.

Council to consider & confirm Mayor Gilberts appointments to the following committees/boards:

- Village Planning Commission, Bill Vaughn expires 12/31/20, Mr. Vaughn expressed his desire to serve another term.

A motion was made by Tony Dawson, seconded by Lynn Frank to approve Bill Vaughn for another term expiring 12/31/2023 seat on Village Planning Commission. All votes yea, motion carried.

- Village Income Tax Appeals, Beth Bay expires 01/01/2020, Mrs. Bay expressed her desire to serve another term.

A motion was made by Frank Wilton, seconded by Tony Dawson to approve Beth Bay for another term expiring 01/01/2023. All votes yea, motion carried.

Administrator Report:

- Written report was submitted to council
- Discuss property sale to Open Door

Mr. Peebles asked direction from Council concerning the sale of property to Open Door.

Johnson questioned what the rebuttal was for the proposal with restrictions. Mr. Peebles explained the Open Door does not want to have to prove that a parking lot is necessary for that property if they decided to build one and have it approved by Village Planning Commission but meet the zoning requirements.

Frank Wilton thinks its worthless to anyone else but Open Door, so he doesn't have a problem with the sale without restrictions.

Lynn Frank asked the Law Director about the restrictions on the sale. Mr. Heban gave an example of a homeowner's association which some developments restrict certain things you can do or not do with a property. He said, since the property is in the Village's name, we can impose certain restrictions. We do not have to but, the Village having the authority as the owner, can apply restrictions to the land.

A motion was made by Frank Wilton, seconded by Chad Johnson to go forward with the bid and sale to the Open Door without restrictions. All votes yea, motion carried.

Tony Dawson asked about the irrigation water from Mr. Peebles administrator report.

Peebles explained that the Village has been looking to take our discharge water from the Water Plant and sending it to the Lagoons which is east of the old reservoir which will settle, and the overflow will then flow into the old reservoir. Which, at the moment, is being discharged into Bad Creek. Nature Fresh has tested our discharge water and determined they could accept it and treat it to their standards for their irrigation system. We have received a verbal approval from the EPA.

Tony Dawson asked if we were selling Nature Fresh treated and raw water. Mr. Peebles said yes at this time we are providing them approximately 50% treated and 50% raw water. He explained that Mrs. Flores, Water Superintendent, was concerned with the water level in the old reservoir becoming too low, so she contacted Nature Fresh and they agreed to take the treated water at this time.

Finance Director:

- Certificate of Recognition – Girl Scouts

Mossing explained the Village has a request to use Memorial Hall from January through May and then August to December. She asked council what they would like to do as we do not have the offices open during the Covid.

Lynn Frank asked if AA was still holding their meetings. Mr. Peebles reports they are not at this time.

Frank Wilton asked what the guidelines of the Fulton County Health Department was. Peebles states they are maintaining guidelines of 10 people or more should be prohibited.

Ashley Todd asked if we could approve their request so when things did change and the hall opened, they would have it approved already.

Mr. Heban, Law Director, explained council could approve the request subject to the Administrator oversight, so if it continues as it is now, he could not allow the meetings.

Lynn Frank asked if it would be easier not to approve it at this time, and when things change, they could re-apply. Mr. Heban stated that would be the Law Departments recommendation.

New Business:

Ordinance #21-01: Modifying the traffic pattern of Monroe Street

A motion was made by Todd, seconded by Wilton to modify the traffic pattern of Monroe Street between Main Street and Palmwood Street to one way traffic on its 1st reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

Mr. Wilton asked what cost is associated with this? Brad estimated \$25,000.

Johnson asked about paving or marking on the street. Mr. Peebles explained the proposal is north of the alley where the large maple tree was taken out, the curb area would be removed, and new sidewalks and curb would be installed from the alley north to Palmwood Street.

Ordinance #21-02: To dispose of certain real estate not needed

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Todd to authorize the Village Administrator to dispose of certain real estate not needed for any municipal purpose on its 1st reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

Johnson questioned the bidding process for this Ordinance. Peebles explained, once the sealed bids were open, the bidders have an opportunity to increase the bid at the table.

Resolution: #21-01: To advertise for bids to resurface Wood Street in 2021

A motion was made by Wilton, seconded by Frank to authorize the Village Administrator to advertise for bids and enter in a contract for the resurfacing of Wood Street in 2021 on its 1st reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

Tony Dawson asked if there was a possibility to resurface Glenwood during this project. Mr. Peebles explained it would depend on the pricing that comes in.

Questions:

Frank asked the status of Fernwood Street plans. Mr. Peebles explained that USDA is working out of the office therefore there are a lot of delays for the application process.

A motion was made by Ashley Todd, seconded by Lynn Frank to approve invoices in the amount of \$19,639.94 All votes yea, motion carried.

Dawson congratulated Chief Hartsock for having one of the officers making officer of the week. Officer Kosier.

Next regular council meeting will be on Monday, January 18, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Dawson made a motion to adjourn at 6:17 p.m., Wilton seconded.

Mayor Frank Wilton

Clerk of Council