

**VILLAGE OF DELTA  
VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
MONDAY DECEMBER 20, 2021, AT 5:30 P.M.**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Frank Wilton

*Pledge of Allegiance* was led by Mayor Wilton

Employee's present: Stephanie Mossing (Finance Director), Kevin Heban (Law Director), Nathan Hartsock (Police Chief), Drew Walker (Sergeant), and Brad Peebles (Administrator)

Visitors present: Bill O'Connell (Fulton Co Media), John Bay, and Beth Thomas

ROLL CALL—Present: Art Thomas, Chad Johnson, Ashley Todd, and Lynn Frank

*A motion was made by Ashley Todd, seconded by Chad Johnson to excuse Mike Tanner for December 20, 2021, council meeting. All votes yea, motion carried.*

*Mr. Dawson arrived at the council meeting at 5:36 p.m.*

**Approval of Minutes: Council December 6, 2021**

*A motion was made by Chad Johnson, seconded by Lynn Frank to approve the December 6, 2021, council minutes as written. All votes yea, motion carried.*

**Public wishing to address council:**

- Beth Thomas, 807 Eastwood Drive, questioned the amendment to Ordinance #21-21 on the agenda this evening. Mr. Peebles explained that Mr. Heban will be explaining the amendment when we get to the legislation.

**Village Administrator:**

- Review preliminary design and amenities of proposed new pool.

Mr. Peebles explained the preliminary design of the proposed pool and preliminary cost to council. He states once the final design is submitted; we will have a meeting to discuss financing.

- Review grant award for Fulton County water line connection

Mr. Peebles informed council on the grant award announced by the State for the water line connection. He reports the design is finished but there is a couple more things to do, and council will see legislation at the next meeting allowing us to bid the project.

- Ms. Frank asked about the employee meeting that took place on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Peebles explained that it was intended to discuss Juneteenth Federal Holiday and Martin Luther King Day. What happened was there was a unanimous consensus to give up Presidents Day for Martin Luther King Day. The other question that was asked from employee's if they gave up Columbus Day if we could make Good Friday and Christmas Eve a full holiday rather than a half holiday. Mr. Heban is working on updating the employee handbook and council will have to approve the legislation for the updates.

**Finance Director:**

- Request for approval of invoices as presented

*A motion was made by Lynn Frank, seconded by Ashley Todd to approve the invoices in the amount of \$59,444.38. All votes yea, motion carried.*

Councilman Dawson asked about the Brint Electric payable for CIP pump troubleshooting. Mr. Peebles explained that it was one of the electric panels that needed replacing.

**Law Director:**

- Mr. Heban updated council and attendees of the amended Ordinance 21-21.

Councilman Johnson requested and questioned the term medical versus medicinal in the language, as he feels medical supplies.

Councilman Dawson asked if the breakdown of revenue would be included. Mr. Heban explained that with the public approving this the regulations would come later.

**Safety Committee:**

- Police Chief updated council on the new patrol vehicle. He reports that he cannot get a 2022 vehicle, which they were looking at the Dodge Charger or the Dodge Durango. He states he talked to another police chief, and they told him the pickups are still available. He is researching dealerships that may still have them. He will keep council informed.
- Police Chief reports that he applied for the JAG (Justice Assistance Grant) and we were awarded just over \$12,000 to help purchase equipment. He states he met with a collaborative board to let them know the route he was going to take in that position.
- Chief explains to council the police department is having Facebook issues. They were locked out of the last Facebook page because it was hacked. They created a new Facebook page, and someone reported the page as having inappropriate content when they posted the stats, which then cancelled the Facebook page again.
- Councilman Johnson asked to discuss the vaccine mandates that may be coming. He briefs council there was a ruling in the 6<sup>th</sup> District Court in Cincinnati that is now allowing administration to oppose vaccine mandates on companies that have more than 100 employees. He expresses his concern on what is next to come that will resist this mandate. Mr. Johnson would like to see the Village put a resolution in place that states that the mandate won't happen here. He understands it won't supersede the law, but it will send a message

that we don't agree with it. Mr. Heban explained that if council wants to express an opinion we can prepare a resolution, which would not be a law but would be sent to the state legislatures either opposing or supporting it.

**Development & Govt Relations:**

- Update council regarding meeting with P-D-Y administration

Mr. Thomas explained there was a meeting with the P-D-Y school Superintendent, Treasurer and president of school board, Dr. Mattin along with Delta's Administrator, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Tanner and Mayor. Thomas asked Mr. Peebles to brief council on the meeting. Mr. Peebles explained that the meeting gave the school opportunity to express their concern with the Pre-94 tax abatement program. At the end of the day, the conclusion was they would meet again in 30 days and reconvene talks about an agreement.

**Old Business:**

**Ordinance #21-21 Amended:** Directing the preparation of ballot language

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Frank to amend Ordinance 21-21 based upon the new language submitted to council. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Frank to amend and change the word medical to medicinal in the current language submitted to council on its 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Resolution #21-21:** Authorizing advertising for bids for capital improvement projects

A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Johnson to authorize the Village Administrator to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for the capital improvement projects in 2022 on its 2nd reading. All votes yea, motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Resolution #21-22:** To execute agreement with Fulton Co Emergency Planning Agency A motion was made by Dawson, seconded by Johnson to suspend the readings for Resolution #21-22. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Todd, seconded by Johnson to authorize the Village Administrator to execute an agreement with Fulton County Emergency Planning Agency for services mandated by Ohio Revised Code as an emergency. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Resolution #21-23:** To execute & amend the agreement for Indigent Defense Services

A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Todd to suspend the readings for Resolution #21-23. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Todd, seconded by Frank to authorize the Village Administrator to execute an amendment to the agreement for Indigent Defense services in Fulton County court proceedings and declaring an emergency. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Resolution #21-24:** To submit a USDA application

A motion was made by Dawson, seconded by Todd to suspend the readings for Resolution #21-24. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Todd to authorize Sandy Kessler from the Ohio rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP) to submit a USDA Rural Development application via the RD apply online application system for the Delta Fernwood Project and declare an emergency. All votes yea, motion carried.

**Ordinance #21-22:** To supplement Ordinance #20-30  
A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Todd to suspend the readings for Ordinance #21-22. All votes yea, motion carried.

A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Todd to supplement Ordinance #20-30 to make supplemental appropriations for the current expenses of the Village of Delta for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, as an emergency. All votes yea, motion carried.

Next regular council meeting will be on Monday, January 3rd, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

Dawson made a motion to adjourn at 6:08 p.m., Johnson seconded.

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Mayor Frank Wilton

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Clerk of Council

