

The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

June 10, 2020

The Office Suite HD Video Meeting was called to order by Mayor Nehez at 7:30 p.m.

The **ROLL CALL** was read by Ms. Potvin. The following officials were present: Mayor Nehez and Councilpersons Nick Magistrelli, Jenn Domzalski, Renell Noack, Keith Czerr, and Alan Hipps. Also present for the meeting were Law Director Brad Bryan, Fire Chief Jason Buss, Police Lt. Brian Zajac, Engineer Richard Wasosky, and Finance Director/Clerk of Council Jennifer Potvin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the Minutes for the May 27, 2020 Council Meeting was made by Ms. Noack and seconded Ms. Domzalski. Roll call vote: Mr. Czerr-yes; Ms. Noack-yes; Mr. Magistrelli-yes; Mr. Hipps-yes; Ms. Domzalski-yes. The May 27, 2020 Minutes were approved.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

Mayor Jesse Nehez – No report.

Finance Director, Jennifer Potvin – Ms. Potvin referenced the recent financial reports that were provided to Council. Ms. Potvin stated the Village is experiencing a significant loss in tax revenues due to the business closures and reduction in business. The Department Heads have obeyed the Mayor's directive to restrict their purchases to only essential spending, and as a result, the Village finances are as well as can be expected under the circumstances. Ms. Potvin stated the Village 2018-2019 State Audit is commencing, and she will participate in a pre-audit phone call with the State Auditor's Office in the near future. Ms. Potvin stated if anyone has any questions regarding the finances, she would be happy to meet and answer them.

A question was asked about the MGM's plans to re-open. Mr. Bryan stated at this time, a soft re-opening is scheduled for June 19 with a maximum of 1,200 patrons at any one time. The initial opening is restricted to high-end rewards members, and only one-fourth of the machines will be available for play. The restaurants, with the exception of the buffet, will be opened in phases. There are no concerts scheduled at this time.

Engineer, Rich Wasosky – Mr. Wasosky reported the problems with the fire station traffic light activation system have been solved. A new antenna has been installed. There should no longer be a need to open the control box. It should be left to operate on its own. The Houghton Road Project is now complete. The Village is waiting to receive the as-built drawings before making the final payment to the contractor. The Dollar General Project is moving along rapidly. All of the additional punch list items for the Ledge Road Phase II Project have now been completed.

Law Director, Brad Bryan – Mr. Bryan stated the Village has resumed holding Mayor's Court's this month in a drive through fashion. Yesterday's Court operated smoothly with everyone's full cooperation. Mr. Bryan stated there will be legislation related to the Tax Budget and Insurance Renewal on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Department, Lt. Brian Zajac – Lt. Zajac stated a written Department Report was submitted to Council. He stated he had nothing additional to report at this time.

Fire Department, Chief Jason Buss – Chief Buss stated there have been rumors going around that the Fire Department is not performing business inspections. He assured everyone that is not the case. An inspection was recently performed at the extended Bin Treasures space. There have been no delays with any inspections during the COVID-19 crisis.

Service Dept., Jason Walters–Mr. Walters will be present at the next Regular Council Meeting.

REPORTS OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Planning Commission, Mr. Hipps – No report.

Recreation Board, Mayor Nehez – Mayor Nehez stated the Recreation Board did not meet in June and has no plans to meet in July. There is a vacancy on the Board, and the Village is presently taking applications for that open position.

Cemetery Board, Mayor Nehez – Mayor Nehez stated there is nothing of note to report for the Cemetery Board.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee, Mr. Magistrelli – No report.

Roads and Public Works, Ms. Domzalski – No report.

Health and Welfare, Mr. Czerr – No report.

Wages and Working Conditions, Mr. Vojtush– Mr. Vojtush was not present for the meeting, and no one else on the Committee had anything to report.

Fire and Safety, Ms. Noack – No report.

Buildings and Grounds, Mr. Hipps – No report.

LEGISLATION:

2020-15 – An Emergency Resolution Authorizing the Director of Finance to Request and Accept Federal CARES Act Funds through the State of Ohio and Summit County Pursuant to Ohio Senate Bill 310 and Affirming that All Such CARES Act Funds Received Pursuant to Senate Bill 310 Will Be Expended Only to Cover Village Costs Consistent with the Requirements of the CARES Act and any Applicable Regulations and Guidance (First Reading) The Resolution was read by title by Mr. Bryan. A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Magistrelli and seconded by Mr. Hipps. Roll call vote: Mr. Czerr-yes; Ms. Noack-yes; Mr. Magistrelli-yes; Mr. Hipps-yes; Ms. Domzalski-yes. The motion was approved. A motion to pass was made by Ms. Noack and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. Roll call vote: Mr.

Czerr-yes; Ms. Noack-yes; Mr. Magistrelli-yes; Mr. Hipps-yes; Ms. Domzalski-yes. The Resolution was adopted.

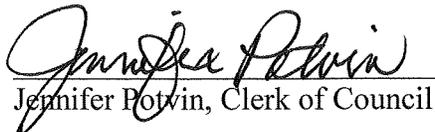
OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS; ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor reported the Village shredding day event went well. There have been issues with non-residents dropping off items at the additional dumpster locations. He has had to station police officers at the dumpster locations to check licenses.

Executive Session – None.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Domzalski and seconded by Ms. Noack. All were in favor of the motion; none were opposed. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Approved by Council.


Jennifer Potvin, Clerk of Council