

Andover Village
Council Meeting
(9 February 2021)

The regular meeting of the Andover Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 9 February 2021 at the Andover Village Hall, 134 Maple Street, Andover, Ohio, in accordance with the rules of notification.

IN ATTENDANCE.

VILLAGE OFFICERS

Mayor Gerald DiBell
Village Fiscal Officer Cathryn A. Williams
Solicitor Richard B. Kotila
Village Administrator Richard Mead
Police Chief Christopher Baker
Councilmembers: Leo Crouch
 G. Randy Gentry
 Margo Hornyak
 Richard K. Orahood
 Doris Simon
 E. Curt Williams

ABSENT

Zoning Inspector Fred Border

VISITORS

Attorney Al Schrader
Attorney David Randolph
Raymond "Buddy" French
Glenn Day
Bill Groff
Bob Swartz
Lauren Locke, *The News*
Warren Dillaway, *The Star Beacon*

MINUTES AND REPORTS. The following minutes and reports were presented for council's review prior to the meeting.

1. Council meeting minutes for 12 January 2021
2. Bills
3. Mayor's report
4. Fiscal officer's report
5. Administrator's report (*provided at meeting*)
6. Police chief's report
7. Andover Planning Commission minutes for 25 January 2021

8. Council work session minutes for 26 January 2021
9. Andover Union Cemetery Board minutes for 25 November 2020

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.
2. Council minutes for 12 January 2021. No corrections or changes were necessary, so the minutes were deemed approved as submitted.
3. Bills. It was moved to approve payment of the bills presented in the amount of \$25,784.23 and to allow the fiscal officer to pay additional bills, which will come due in February. Discussion. Motion carried.

VISITORS.

None addressed council at this time.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS. The following officers presented, reviewed, and commented upon the reports and other matters noted.

MAYOR

1. Mayor's report. For the month of January, the village received \$461.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

COMMITTEE REPORTS. The following committee reported upon its deliberations and made the recommendation noted.

PLANNING COMMISSION.

1. Public Hearing. Council scheduled a public hearing for Monday, 22 March 2021 at 5:00 p.m. The public hearing is to consider amending the text of Andover Zoning Ordinance No. 883, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

LEGISLATION.

1. 1st Reading, **Ordinance No. 2021-2-O**, an ordinance establishing a video service provider fee to be paid by any video service provider offering video service in Andover Village, authorizing the mayor to give notice to the provider of the fee, and declaring an emergency. It was moved to accept the 1st reading. Discussion. Motion carried. It was moved to waive the 3 readings and declare an emergency. Motion carried.
2. 1st Reading, **Resolution No. 2021-3-R**, a resolution proposing to the Andover Planning Commission to amend the text of Ordinance No. 883, known as the "Andover Zoning Ordinance", and declaring an emergency. It was moved to accept the 1st reading. Discussion. Motion carried. It was moved to waive the 3 readings and declare an emergency. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS.

1. Greenway Trails Project. Councilmember Williams has been in discussion with Larry Frimmerman, Executive Director of the Ashtabula County Metroparks, and gave an update on the progress of the portion of the Greenway Trail slated to go through Andover.

Mr. Frimmerman will be asked to attend a council work session later in the month to further explain the plans for the trail.

2. Committee meetings. Councilmember Williams requested that council committee chairpersons schedule a meeting of their committees as soon as possible. He asked that he be provided the dates of the meetings so they can be added to the calendar.
3. Community Care Ambulance. Councilmember Williams said that Mr. Chris Brooks, Community Care Ambulance, would like to attend the next council meeting to show council the purchase they made with the grant of \$10,000 the village provided them from the covid-19 relief funds.
4. Public records requests. The fiscal officer said that anyone who has made a written request for council meeting minutes and reports may pick them up on the Wednesday following the monthly council meeting. The requestor will verify that all requested reports are provided by signing for them. At that time, payment for the records will be made at \$0.25 per page.
5. Scrapping old police cruisers. Since there is no value to the 3 police cruisers in storage on the back lot, it was moved to declare that they are no longer needed for any municipal purpose, and to allow the village administer to sell them for scrap. Motion carried.
6. Rec park upgrades. Councilmember Williams asked that the Grants and Recreation committee research the costs involved in upgrading the Chestnut Street recreation park. He asked that they look at the cost of new playground equipment and the possibility of putting in a splash pad, providing one is not built at the Wildwood Acres Campground.

OLD BUSINESS.

1. Emergency room. The mayor updated council on his zoom conference call with Dr. Donald DeCarlo of University Hospitals (UH), regarding the purchase of the old emergency room. Dr. DeCarlo had no information regarding a purchase price for the building, but asked the mayor to contact him after he spoke with council. The mayor asked council if they were interested in pursuing the possibility of purchasing the building to bring in another emergency room to the area. It was moved to authorize the mayor to explore the village purchasing the building. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. It was moved to enter an executive session at 7:32 to discuss pending litigation. All present voted yes. Motion carried. The mayor reconvened the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT. It was moved at 8:29 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried.



Village Fiscal Officer



Mayor