

Andover Village
Council Meeting
(10 August 2021)

The annual joint meeting of the Andover Village Council and the Andover Township Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 10 August 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 Chris Baker
Zoning Inspector Fred Border
Councilmembers: G. Randy Gentry
Margo Hornyak
Rick Orahood
Doris Simon
Curt Williams

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS

Fiscal Officer Karen Chapman
Trustees: Bill French
Bill Groff
Andrew Kirby

ABSENT

Councilmember Leo Crouch

VISITORS

Raymond French
Bob Swartz
Art & Jackie Miranda & grandson Nathaniel
Dave & Donna Starr
Linda Graham
Hallie Scherrer
Nicole Taylor
Collin Hall, *The News*
Warren Dillaway, *The Star Beacon*

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.

JOINT MEETING.

1. Swim program. The fiscal officer said the 2021 swim program brought in \$1,500 in receipts and expended \$2,400 to the Ashtabula YMCA for the swim instructors. The township trustees will discuss contributing a portion of the difference of \$900 at their monthly meeting on 11 August 2021
2. A.U.C.B. appointment. It was moved to appoint Doris Simon as the Andover Village member to the Andover Union Cemetery Board for the 1 January 2022 through 31 December 2024 term. Motion carried.
3. Road repair on square. Trustee French asked when the road repair would be finished on the square at the site of the water main leak. The administrator said they have been waiting on concrete work as well as employee availability.
4. Meeting. The mayor invited the trustees to attend a public meeting he is having with Andover Township, Cherry Valley Township, Richmond Township, Wayne Township, and Williamsfield Township. The meeting will include a representative from Congressman Joyce's office, the county auditor, and the county commissioners to discuss the loss of the Andover emergency room and the needs of Community Care Ambulance.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to be addressed by the combined group, it was moved at 7:06 p.m. to adjourn the joint meeting. Motion carried. Trustees French remained in the audience.

The regular meeting of the Andover Village Council convened at 7:06 p.m.

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

1. Council minutes for 13 July 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. Zoning inspector's report (*provided at meeting*)
8. Council work session minutes for 27 July 2021
9. Andover Union Cemetery Board minutes for 27 May 2021

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

1. Council minutes for the 13 July 2021 meeting. No corrections or changes were necessary, so the minutes were deemed approved as submitted.
2. Bills. It was moved to approve payment of the bills presented in the amount of \$116,446.05, and to allow the fiscal officer to pay additional bills, which will come due in August. Discussion. Motion carried.

VISITORS.

1. Russtik Acres/Windswept Meadows. Jackie Miranda read a letter to the village officers from the residents of Russtik Acres/Windswept Meadows, thanking them for help dealing

with the placement of a manufactured home on a lot on Carol Court. They ask that council update the zoning ordinance and how it addresses manufactured homes in the village.

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 July, the village received \$886.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

FISCAL OFFICER

1. R.I.T.A. letter. The fiscal officer advised council that 410 non-filer letters have been mailed out to residents who have neglected to file the Andover local tax. The vast majority of those will most likely be township residents who do not owe the tax, but have been identified as village residents because their address is identified as an "Andover" address in the federal and state database. A prompt response to the letter can easily resolve the situation.

ADMINISTRATOR

1. Chip-and-Seal. The administrator reported that the chip-and-seal road repair work is complete.

ZONING INSPECTOR

1. Zoning report. The zoning inspector reported that Seeley Medical has purchased the Aloterra property and plans to use it as a warehouse.

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

Council Work Session.

1. Minutes for 27 July 2021. There was discussion regarding sale advertisements on utility poles around the village. Council recommends that **Ordinance No. 578** be updated to include §5589.33 of the Ohio Revised Code, *Advertising Within the Right-of-Way of Public Highways*, in an effort to keep the signs off the power poles around the village.

CORRESPONDENCE.

No correspondence was presented.

LEGISLATION. The mayor read the title of the following legislation presented for council's consideration.

1. **Resolution No. 2021-15-R**, a resolution declaring the official intent and reasonable expectation of Andover Village to reimburse its capital projects fund for a portion of the costs of the Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project with the proceeds of tax-exempt debt of the State of Ohio, directing the village fiscal officer to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Ohio Public Works Commission, 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. The solicitor presented council with 2 different resolutions to consider regarding the proposed changes to the Andover Zoning Ordinance regarding manufactured homes. One allows for manufactured homes in R-3 districts only, the other allows for manufactured homes in R-1 and R-2 districts with a restriction on the age of the home.

Councilmember Gentry scheduled a meeting of the ordinance committee for Thursday, 12 August 2021, at 5:00 p.m. to consider the zoning changes. A special council meeting will follow on Monday, 16 August 2021, at 6:00 p.m. to consider the committee's recommendations.

NEW BUSINESS.

There was no new business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There was no old business.


EXECUTIVE SESSION. It was moved to enter executive session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. Motion carried. The mayor reconvened the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

1. Water & Sewer Services Agreement. The solicitor reported to council that the *Water & Sewer Services Agreement* has been signed by the Pymatuning Valley School Board. He presented a check from them in the amount of \$3,865.33 for water and sewer tap fees, and a check for \$50,000 for the *Water & Sewer Agreement Settlement*. It was moved to use the larger check to reimburse the capital projects fund for the cost of legal services. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT. It was moved at 8:10 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried.



Village Fiscal Officer



Mayor