

MINUTES
NEW BOSTON VILLAGE COUNCIL
September 7, 2021

Regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. William Williams, Jr., President of Council presided over the meeting. The roll was called with the following members of council being present: Mr. Ottney, Mr. Imes, Mr. Meehan, and Mr. Mills

Pledge of allegiance/silent prayer

Disposal of minutes – Mr. Ottney made a motion to accept and file the minutes from August 17, 2021 and August 24, 2021. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 4-0.

Reports from committees, delegations, citizens or visitors – none

Presenting and acting on petitions: none

Reading and acting on communications: none

Reports of:

***Mr. Jones, Councilman entered the meeting at 6:40 p.m.**

William Williams, Mayor – 1. Everyone please remember the anniversary of the 911 attack. 2. Reported there is an appropriation ordinance for SCBA cylinders for the fire department in tonight's reading. These cylinders are overdue and needed in the department. 3. Mayor's court fines have been raised and we have started Warrant Blocks. 4. We are applying for a \$1,000 safety grant through PEP, our insurance company. We did receive that grant last year. 5. Party at the Park is still on and sponsorships are still open and vendors can still sign up. There will be movie night the night before sponsored by Marty Mohr, Auto Mania. 6. Looking at setting the Trick or Treat night on October 30 from 5-7 p.m. Called Portsmouth and this is the date and time they have set and we usually do the same. Mr. Ottney stated he likes to always have on the 31st since that is Halloween day and Mr. Jones stated he would like to get resident opinions. There also was discussion of having due to the virus. Council decided to wait until next meeting to set. 7. Presented mayor's court report for August 2021. Mr. Meehan made a motion to accept and file the report. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All five present members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried.

Lana Loper, Clerk/treasurer – no report

Legal Counsel, Justin Blume – Ask for executive session later for the purpose of litigation.

Village Administrator, Steve Hamilton – 1. Presented a pamphlet remembering the 20th anniversary of the 911 tragedy. 2. The six new motors are working fine except pumps 1 & 5 discharge tubes are leaking and Service Pumps will be back for repairs. 3. York Street is closed to install a new 18” sanitary line. 4. New LED traffic light has been installed at Gallia & Vine. 5. Asked council to bring in an ordinance not allowing cut grass & leaves on streets and alleys. This clogs up sewer lines and is a hazard to motorists.

***Mr. Fetty, Councilman entered the meeting**

Mr. Mills made a motion to bring in an ordinance prohibiting the blowing of grass clippings, leaves and other law waste onto roadways within the Village. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

Income Tax Director, Lori Jordan – presented report for August 2021. Mr. Imes made a motion to accept and file. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

Interim Police Chief, Carl Compton – presented report for September 2. Mr. Ottney made a motion to accept and file the report. Mr. Fetty seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

Chris Davis, Fire Chief – none

Reports of Chairman of Committees:

Mr. Mills, Finance and wage –

Mr. Ottney, Lands, Parks, & Recreations

Mr. Meehan, Street, Alleys, Buildings

Mr. Fetty, Economic & Business Development-

Mr. Imes, Laws & Claims

Mr. Jones, Flood & Sewage -

Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinances:

1st Readings

Ordinance No. 36-2021 – An ordinance was read transferring and appropriating amounts in the various funds of the Village; and declaring an emergency. Mr. Fetty moved the rules requiring an ordinance or resolution of a general or permanent nature involving the expenditure of money be read on three separate dates be suspended. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Fetty made a motion to adopt **Ordinance No. 36-2021**. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6-0

Resolutions:

Resolution No. 20-2021 – A resolution was read accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor; and declaring an emergency. Mr. Mills moved the rules requiring an ordinance or resolution of a general or permanent nature involving the expenditure of money be read on three separate dates be suspended. Mr. Fetty seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mills made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 20-2021**. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6-0

Resolution No. 21-2021 – A resolution was read to amend Resolution No. 17-2021^A to change the agreement with OWDA Construction Loan to Water Pollution Loan Fund Construction Loan Agreement; declaring an emergency. Mr. Fetty moved the rules requiring an ordinance or resolution of a general or permanent nature involving the expenditure of money be read on three separate dates be suspended. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mills made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 21-2021**. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6.

Resolution No. 22-2021 – A resolution was read authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with Clemans-Nelson and declaring an emergency. Mr. Fetty moved the rules requiring an ordinance or resolution of a general or permanent nature involving the expenditure of money be read on three separate dates be suspended. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mills made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 22-2021**. Mr. Fetty seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6.

New Business

Mr. Fetty - none

Mr. Jones – none

Mr. Ottney - Reported there has a lot of trash in alleys. Discussion was held about residents putting out trash to early. They should not put their trash out till the night before pickup. More discussion was held to have each resident have the special cans and Steve stated equipment could be added to pick those up.

Mr. Imes – stated he was in favor in getting the trash cans like Portsmouth has

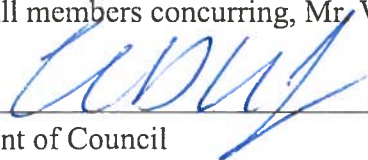
Mr. Meehan – 1. Discussed again about mandating the vaccine for all employees since there is at least one vaccine being FDA approved especially first responders. Other municipalities and businesses are doing this. He stated he just wanted to bring it up hoping the employees will consider being vaccinated. 2. Feels we are bringing in too many ordinances and resolutions as emergency. Would like to do more three readings. 3. Asked when the policy manual updates will be completed. Mayor stated he is hoping they are still working on it and it has been quite a task and hopes it will be done by the end of the year.

Mr. Mills -

At 7:20 p.m. Mr. Mills made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of litigation. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6. Mr. Williams declared the motion carried.

Regular session was called back to order at 7:45 p.m. The roll was called. All members from the regular meeting was present.

There being no further business, Mr. Fetty made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0



President of Council

Passed: September 21, 2021

Attest: 

Village Clerk