

MINUTES  
NEW BOSTON VILLAGE COUNCIL  
October 19, 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. Imes, Mr. Meehan, Mr. Ottney, Mr. Fetty, Mr. Jones and Mr. Mills

**Pledge of allegiance/silent prayer**

**Disposal of minutes** – Mr. Jones stated that the minutes would need to be amended to reflect that Mr. Ottney was present and he was not. Mr. Mills made a motion to amend the minutes. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept and file the minutes from **October 5 2021**. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**Reports from committees, delegations, citizens or visitors** – none

**Presenting and acting on petitions:** none

**Reading and acting on communications:** none

**Reports of:**

**William Williams, Mayor** – **1.** Spoke to council about a resolution that was voted to be brought in regarding the medical marijuana as to whether the village would be in favor. He found out this resolution was not required since we do not have a moratorium. Since we don't have one this allows people to apply. This is a lottery draw and we do not have any leverage on this matter. We would have to fill out our part on their application and just would mark that we have no moratorium. **2.** Police Department has been working 12 hour shifts and now the dispatchers would like to work those 12-hour shifts. After discussion, Mr. Fetty made a motion to change the ordinance to allow the dispatchers to work the 12-hour shifts. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. **3.** Election is November 2 and reported we do have a renewal on the ballot for the flood defense. Encouraged everyone to vote for the passage which is important. **4.** Presented a proclamation for the Sate of Ohio providing the results of the 2020 census of New Boston as 2,297 residents.

**Lana Loper, Clerk/treasurer** – presented report for September 2021. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept and file the report and Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**Legal Counsel, Justin Blume** – asked for executive session later for litigation

**Village Administrator, Steve Hamilton** – 1. Presented CSO project reports. 2. Blaine, Grace and Columbia has been milled. Shelley will be here next week to pave those streets in addition to the top of Taft and alley between West & Vine.

**Income Tax Director, Lori Jordan** – absent

**Interim Police Chief, Carl Compton** –presented report for October 14, 2021. Mr. Meehan made a motion to accept and file and Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**Chris Davis, Fire Chief** – presented report for September 2021. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept and file the report and Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**Reports of Chairman of Committees:**

**Mr. Mills, Finance and wage** – see attached report from meeting held October 18. After discussion, Mr. Meehan made a motion to bring in an ordinance to make the \$1.00 an hour pay raise permanent starting January 1, 2022. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Mills made a motion to bring in an ordinance for the increase the clothing allowance to all full-time employees from \$300 to \$500. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Jones made a motion to bring in an ordinance to give employees a \$500 Covid Vaccination bonus who are vaccinated by February 2, 2022. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. Five members concurring, (Ottney, Jones, Meehan, Fetty, Imes) and one nay (Mills) Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 5-0. Mr. Meehan made a motion for \$140,000 to be appropriated for 2 fully equipped police cruisers and 1 plain police cruiser to be brought in on an

emergency basis at the November 2, 2021. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Ottney made a motion to accept and file the report. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**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:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Readings**

**Ordinance No. 39-2021** – Third reading was given to an ordinance establishing Chapter 558 of the codified ordinances of the Village of New Boston; prohibiting the blowing of grass clippings, leaves and other law waste onto roadways within the Village. Mr. Mills made a motion to adopt **Ordinance No. 39-2021** and Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**Ordinance No. 42-2021** - – 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. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 5-0. Mr. Fetty made a motion to adopt **Ordinance No. 42-2021**. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6-0

**Resolutions:**

**Resolution No. 23-2021** – Third reading was given to a resolution approving the agreement with the Toole and Associates to provide commercial building department services. Mr. Fetty made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 23-2021** and Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

**New Business**

**Mr. Imes** – none

**Mr. Meehan** – none

**Mr. Mills** – none

**Mr. Fetty** – none

**Mr. Jones** – 1. Ask about the traffic light 52E is hard to see and would like an LED light installed. Steve stated that was completed today. 2. Ask when the new playground equipment would be in. Steve stated that should be here the week of November 8. Taking the old equipment to Clayport park. Mayor reported if council if Clayport is going to be a park with playground equipment he would request a fence be installed. It would definitely be too dangerous without one. Steve spoke about getting a temporary fence but the mayor stated that would just be an extra expense. After discussion, Mr. Imes made a motion to bring in an ordinance for the fencing project. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. 3. Discussed the traffic light trip on River road and Steve stated the state of Ohio warrants that light and is in control. Mayor stated he would not do away with that trip.

**Mr. Ottney** - none

At 7:25 p.m. Mr. Meehan made a motion to move to executive session for litigation. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6.

At 7:45 p.m. regular session was called back to order. The roll was called with all members present from the first meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Fetty made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0

  
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President of Council

Passed: Nov. 2, 2021

Attest:   
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Village Clerk

Finance and Wages Committee meeting  
10/18/202 at 5pm

The meeting was called to order. In attendance was Jon Mills (Chairman), Dan Fetty(Committeeman), Mike Meehan(Committeeman), William William Jr,(Mayor), Steve Hamilton(Village Administrator), Chris Davis(Chief of Fire), Ralph Imes(Councilman), Greg Law, and Andrew Bishop. This meeting was called to review the current financial situation of the Village as well as discuss current and future projects.

After several minutes of discussion it was decided upon a few things to be brought before council. They are as follows:

- 11/1/22  
2022
1. A motion by Mr. Meehan, 2nd by Mr. Fetty to Adopt a resolution to make the \$1.00/hour pay increase permanent. Ayes- 3 Nays- 0
  2. A motion by Mr. Meehan, 2nd by Mr. Fetty to Increase clothing-allowances from \$300 to \$500 for All full time employees. Ayes- 3 Nays- 0
  3. A motion by Mr. Fetty to offer a \$500 Covid Vaccination bonus for all employees being fully vaccinated by February, 2nd, 2022 to be brought in on an emergency basis at the 11/2/2021 meeting. Ayes- 2 Mr. Fetty, Mr. Meehan Nays- 1 Mr. Mills
  4. Motion by Mr. Fetty, 2nd by Mr. Meehan for \$140,00.00 to be appropriated for 2 fully equipped police cruisers and 1 plain police cruiser to be brought in on an emergency basis at the 11/2/2021 meeting. Ayes- 3, Nays- 0
- Mike / Ralph 6-0*  
*Jon / Mike 6-0*  
*Cory / Ryan 5-1*  
*Mike / Ralph 6-0*  
*Coop - 2-0*

No further business needing being discussed, Mr. Meehan moved the meeting adjourned, 2nd by Mr. Mills. Meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Humbly Submitted,



Jon Mills  
Chairman  
Finance and Wages Committee