# MINUTES NEW BOSTON VILLAGE COUNCIL January 4, 2022

Before the meeting began, Mayor Williams swore in two councilmembers, whose terms had expired December 31, 2021. The members were Mike Meehan and Ryan Ottney.

An organizational meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. William Williams, President of Council presided over the meeting. The roll was called with all members on council being present. Mayor Williams stated the meeting was to set day and time for the meetings for 2022 and to elect a President Pro Tem. Mr. Ottney made a motion to keep the day and time the same which is the first and third Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. each month. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6. The next order of business was to elect a President Pro Tem. Mr. Meehan made a motion to nominate Dan Fetty. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried. There being no further nominations, Mr. Williams closed the nominations. Mr. Imes made a motion to appoint Mr. Fetty as President Pro Tem and Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 5 (Jones, Imes, Meehan, Henson, Ottney - abstain – 1 (Fetty).

Regular meeting was called to order at 6:40 P.M. William Williams, President of Council presided over the meeting. The roll was called with the following members of council being present: Mr. Imes, Mr. Ottney, Mr. Fetty, Mr. Henson, Mr. Meehan and Mr. Jones

#### Pledge of allegiance/silent prayer

**Disposal of minutes** – Mr. Fetty made a motion to amend the minutes to add traffic to the information regarding LED lights. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0. Mr. Ottney made a motion to accept and file the minutes. Mr. Fetty 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**: 1. Mayor Williams presented letter on confirmation of Ben Vance as permanent Patrolman. Mr. Ottney made a motion for the appointment and Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes -6. 2. Mayor Williams presented information from the Salvation Army stating

their shelter was open for the cold weather for people who needed to get out of the cold weather and they were also asking for any volunteers.

## Reports of:

Williams, Mayor -1. Looking forward to working with everyone for another great year. 2. Presented mayor's court report for December 2021. Mr. Meehan made a motion to accept and file the report and Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0.

Lana Loper, Clerk/treasurer – no report

Legal Counsel, Justin Blume – none – but stated an executive session was needed

Village Administrator, Steve Hamilton – 1. Reported pump station #7 was opened on January 2 due to high water and hope to close by the  $6^{th}$ . Snow may hit the end of the week and both salt trucks are ready to go and we have 50-60 ton of salt on hand.

Income Tax Director, Lori Jordan – presented report for December and yearly 2021. Mr. Meehan 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.

Interim Police Chief, Carl Compton – presented report for December 30, 2021. Mr. Fetty made a motion to accept and file the report. Mr. Jones 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. Ottney, Lands, Parks, & Recreations - none

Mr. Meehan, Street, Alleys, Buildings - none

Mr. Fetty, Economic & Business Development- none

Mr. Imes, Laws & Claims - none

Mr. Jones, Flood & Sewage - none

Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

**Ordinances:** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Readings

Ordinance No. 1-2022 – An ordinance was read instituting pay raises for employees of the Village of New Boston, Ohio; and declaring an emergency Mr. Imes 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. Meehan made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1-2022. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6.

Ordinance No. 2-2022 - An ordinance was read establishing a "Village Master Pay Ordinance" and repealing Ordinance No. 51-2021; and declaring an emergency. Mr. Ottney 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. Ottney made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2022. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 6.

#### **Resolutions:**

Resolution No. 1-2022 – A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with Hamburg Fireworks Display, Inc. for 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2022; and declaring an emergency. Mr. Ottney 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. Five members concurring Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 5 ayes (Henson, Fetty, Meehan, Imes, Ottney) nays-1 (Jones). Mr. Fetty made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1-2022. Mr. Meehan seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes – 5 (Meehan, Ottney, Henson, Imes, Fetty), nays – 1 (Jones)

## **New Business**

Mr. Henson - none

**Mr. Fetty** – Reported that money could be coming from the state of Ohio for removal of blighted properties

Mr. Jones - none

Mr. Ottney - none

Mr. Imes - none

Mr. Meehan - none

Mr. Imes made a motion to go into executive session for litigation at 6:55 p.m. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows – ayes – 6.

Mr. Fetty made a motion to come back to regular session at 8:53 p.m. Mr. Ottney seconded the motion. The roll was called. The voting results are as follows: ayes - 6

There being no further business, Mr. Henson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Mr. Imes seconded the motion. All members concurring, Mr. Williams declared the motion carried 6-0

President of Council

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Attest

Village Clerk