

# Village of Maineville

## Council Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2021  
(Remote Meeting)  
7:00 PM

Mayor Beebe called the meeting to order by everyone reciting the Pledge to the Flag.

The Invocation was given by Pastor Mark Sage.

### Those Present were:

Mayor Beebe – Yes  
Councilmember - Hengle – Yes  
Councilmember – Billups – Yes  
Councilmember – Drook - Yes  
Councilmember – Humphries - Yes  
Councilmember – Williams – Yes  
Councilmember – Tomsic - Yes

Motion to approve the minutes, from December 3, 2020 meeting, was made by Councilmember Billups, seconded by Councilmember Drook. Roll call vote to approve the minutes as was unanimous in favor.

Motion to accept an amendment to the January 7, 2021 agenda, adding the appointment of the new Pro Tempore, was made by Councilmember Humphries and seconded by Councilmember Williams. Roll call vote approve the amendment was unanimous in favor. Motion to accept the agenda, as amended, was made by Councilmember Humphries and seconded by Councilmember Hengle. Roll call vote approve the amendment was unanimous in favor.

Mayor Beebe thanked Councilmember Drook for his past year of service as Pro Tempore. Mayor then entertained the motion to elect this year's Pro Tempore by Council. Mayor's recommendation was Allison Billups.

The period of nomination was opened by Mayor Beebe. Motion to nominate Allison Billups as Pro Tempore was made by Councilmember Drook and seconded by Councilmember Humphries. No other nominations were made. The period of nomination was closed by Mayor Beebe.

Motion to elect Allison Billups as Pro Tempore was made by Councilmember Tomsic and seconded by Councilmember Williams. Roll call vote for Allison Billups as Pro Tempore was unanimous in favor.

### **Street**

Steve Allen has been salting roads occasionally. There was also flooding on Melrose that he worked on for two days. The cause of this was someone removing a tree and allowing the wood chips and debris to go down the drain. He cleared the debris and it solved the flooding issue. He also has been working on the construction in the Mayor's office.

### **Police**

There were 29 calls for EMS/Fire into the village. The department had 241 calls for extra patrol. There were 3 crashes within the village, one of which was the fire chief. They have been working with the dog warden on an animal complaint on Nightwind.

## **Mayor**

Mayor Beebe wanted to mention and honor Bob Weis and all that he had contributed to the community, after his recent passing.

Mayor Beebe thanked all that contributed to the needy family last month. They were needing to raise \$700 for the surgery for their daughter. Thanks to your giving and the large contribution from Hamilton Township Fire Department, we were able to raise over \$800.

Fiscally, the village is doing well. We have been fiscally conservative and Mary Beth will be going over those numbers tonight.

We look forward to closing out 2020. With all of the turmoil going on in this country, many people will be looking to local government to see results. Mayor said that his vision is seeing economic development in Maineville. He would also like to see some small beautification projects as well.

The Village of Maineville sign out front started to fall apart and will need to be replaced. We will be getting quotes on getting that replaced.

Mayor has been discussing all of the committees that there currently are, with Solicitor Byrne. They will be streamlining the various teams to make sure there aren't any that can be combined.

## **Committees**

There was nothing to report.

## **Council**

Councilmember Billups inquired the dollar amount remaining on the Coronavirus fund, which is .64. Mary Beth clarified that is from interest and that is the only amount non-encumbered. She also asked about grass seed being spread in the dirt area by the admin building/garage. Mayor clarified that will be spread in the spring when grass can actually grow.

## **Fiscal**

Mary Beth Campbell gave the December, 2020 report for finances. As follows: beginning General Fund balance for December 2020 \$353,444.49; received in December respectively \$61,310.87; expenditures December \$58,765.06. Over all fund balances to date \$975,201.71.

Mary Beth also did a comparison of year end unencumbered funds, not counting this year's TIF fund, going back to 2015. The year-end unencumbered fund balances (minus the TIF fund in 2020), were as follows: **2020 - \$865,971.99**, 2019 - \$608,021.26, 2018 - \$461,135.89, 2017 - \$542,160.78, 2016 - \$548,346.10, and 2015 - \$634,041.18. This puts us over \$200,000 above the highest of the previous years. Therefore, it shows that we have been both fiscally responsible and conservative.

Next week, Carroll's Carpet will be installing carpet in the administrative offices. We will be planning on doing meetings remotely for, at least 2 more months. Also, meetings will be held once per month on the first Thursday of the month. If there are any "Special Meetings" scheduled for any reason, the info will be posted at least 24 hours in advance.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Julie Byrne reviewed that she will be working on eliminating committees that are not needed and combining any that can be. She is also working with Jackie on zoning issues.

Julie is working with Hamilton Township Police Department and the Warren County Dog Warden to resolve a situation with a dangerous dog within the village. Neighbors have been voicing concern, as a dog had jumped a fence and killed another dog nearby. She will be looking into what type of options the village might have for creating an ordinance for individual dog's that a court has deemed "dangerous" after an incident has occurred.

### **Resolution 2021-01 Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract With Warren County Engineer's Office For Warren County 2021 Resurfacing Project for the Village of Maineville and Declaring an Emergency**


Motion to approve was made by Councilmember Drook and seconded by Councilmember Williams. Roll call to approve was unanimous in favor.

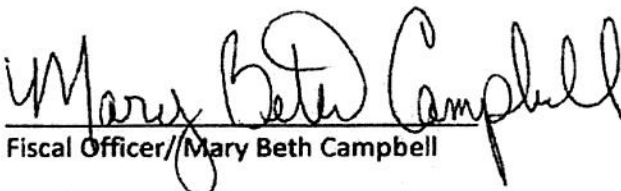
### **Public**

Chelsea Viox spoke in regards to the dog ordinance situation. She said that she would prefer to have the requirement to put up a fence, rather than part with their dog, if she were doing what the village requested.

With nothing further to be presented to Council a motion from Councilmember Williams to adjourn was introduced with a second from Councilmember Humphries and all Councilmembers voted to adjourn at 7:46. PM.

Adopted:

  
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Mayor Bob Beebe

  
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Fiscal Officer/Mary Beth Campbell