



Village of Reminderville
Committee of the Whole
December 14, 2021

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Hoffmann at 7:00pm

Roll Call

Mr. Hoffmann, present
Mr. Kondik, present
Mr. Wiggins, present
Ms. Kovach, present
Ms. Blayney, excused
Mr. DiCarlo, present

Approval of Minutes

Mr. DiCarlo moved to approve minutes from November 23, 2021. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.

Amendments to the Agenda

No amendments.

Jose Delgado from NOPEC discussed the Green Community Choice Program. The current aggregation is the default program, sourced by Next Era. Residents can opt out altogether or pick the default option or the green option. Mailers will be sent to residents which will include information on the options. Residents can then call NOPEC to submit their option choice. The green option has a premium of \$3.70 per month.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Alonso reported the leaf pick-up issue is an on-going problem. Landscapers who are hired to remove leaves are leaving them for the service department to pick up as well as leaving them in the ditches. Mayor asked Council to start thinking about possible legislation to begin fining landscapers. He added there is also a need for discussion about golf carts being used on neighborhood streets. Ms. Lohan stated she will start putting information together.

Law Director

Ms. Lohan reported the Trax lawsuit has been settled with Reminderville not owing anything. She thanked Mr. Carpenter for writing the appeal. There was a settlement between Trax and OHM Engineering that included vacating the fraud finding against OHM.

Engineering

No report.

Service Department

Mayor Alonso reported there have been 83 loads total so far in leaf collection, building repairs at Heritage Hall, completed holiday decorations, and maintaining the water pump during the last storm. He continued residents cannot put leaves in the roads as it has led to flood issues with covered catch basins.

Reminderville Athletic Club

Mayor Alonso reported the repairs to the blue room will begin next week. The RAC will be closed on January 13 and 14 for cleaning and to move equipment downstairs. Winter camp begins December 27.

Fiscal Officer

Ms. Wordell reported the RAC is at 98% of membership revenue. The city income tax revenue surpassed the projections by \$50,000.

Police

No report.

Fire

No report.

ARB

No report.

Planning & Zoning

No report.

Board of Zoning Appeals

No report.

Finance Committee

Mr. DiCarlo reported they approved \$329,932.19 in payments and the November bank statement was reconciled with no incidents.

Community Focus

No report.

Communications

No report.

Long-Term Community Development

No report.

Records

No report.

JEDD

Mr. DiCarlo reported they approved the 2022 budget and was the same amount as 2021. 2021 revenue of \$3.3 million with \$955,000 as Reminderville's portion. Mr. Balogh will be serving as president in 2022 with Mr. Wiggins as vice president and Mr. DiCarlo as secretary/treasurer. He continued that they sold the property that was purchased 5 years ago. The final number hasn't come in but it will be approximately \$500,000. The next meeting will be at Reminderville City Hall on March 1 at 7:00pm.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 20-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022. 3rd Reading. *DiCarlo*

ORDINANCE 21-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS TO \$17,910.79, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

Council had a discussion regarding raising the salary for the Director of Economic Affairs, Mayor Sam Alonso. Ms. Kovach recommended increasing the salary to \$30,000. Mr. Hoffmann agreed. Mr. Kondik stated he is concerned about having an additional increase for one position. He recommended voting logically and not emotionally. Mr. DiCarlo does not agree with the increase; he feels the salary is fine. The position was created by Council for all of the extra work the mayor was doing and is set up to receive a 3% increase each year like every other position. Mr. Wiggins was thinking of a \$10,000 increase and recognizes the accomplishments and how far the city has come since the establishment of this position. Mr. Kondik agreed and said that has to do with the person more so than the position. Ms. Lohan stated Council created the position and they can alter or eliminate the position at any time in the future; it doesn't automatically pass onto the next person.

Mr. Wiggins moved to amend Ordinance 21-2021 to a salary of \$30,000. Mr. Hoffmann seconded. All in favor except Mr. DiCarlo who voted no.

ORDINANCE 22-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SALARY PROVISIONS OF POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 23-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SALARY PROVISIONS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 24-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/CLERK OF COUNCIL TO \$47,350.14, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 25-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE FISCAL OFFICER TO \$58,524.83, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

Mr. Hoffmann stated now that Reminderville is a city, the title becomes Finance Director.

ORDINANCE 26-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY SALARY OF THE COMMUNITY EVENTS/SENIORS ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR FOR THE REMINDERVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB TO \$562.75, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 27-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARY PROVISIONS OF THE REMINDERVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB PERSONNEL, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 28-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE LAW DIRECTOR TO \$58,349.50, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 29-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE HOURLY PAY RATE OF THE CITY BUILDING DEPARTMENT CLERK TO \$15.91, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 26, 2021. 3rd Reading. *Hoffmann*

ORDINANCE 31-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE “CAPITAL FUND” FOR THE PURPOSE OF SAVING MONIES FOR FUTURE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

ORDINANCE 32-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE “TERM BENEFITS FUND” FOR THE PURPOSE OF SAVING MONIES FOR FUTURE RETIREMENT PAYOUTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

RESOLUTION 77-2021: A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE DETERMINED BY MAYOR ALONSO FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022. 3rd Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 78-2021: A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FOR CONSIDERATION THE FORMAL REQUEST BY THE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATIONS OF PRIVATE STREETS FOR A STREET DEDICATION STUDY PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURE SET FORTH IN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE, SECTION 1119.01(f). 3rd Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 80-2021: A RESOLUTION TO ELECT NOPEC'S GREEN COMMUNITY CHOICE PROGRAM FOR REMINDERVILLE'S ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM STARTING JANUARY 2023, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 2nd Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 84-2021: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE IAN MURRAY AS A PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC WITH THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO BE PAID AT THE RATE OF TWENTY-TWO AND 39/100 DOLLARS (\$22.39) PER HOUR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 85-2021: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ROBERT PUTNAM TO THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE FINANCE COMMITTEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 86-2021: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONEOHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 87-2021: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GUIDE STUDIO, INC. FOR REBRANDING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$25,000.00), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 88-2021: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH PROCESSING UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS SERVICES IN THE CITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

Old Business

Mr. DiCarlo thanked Ms. Wordell for including the report on the projected future payouts for sick time for the employees.

New Business

Mr. Hoffmann reported the Santa Toy Delivery was very successful and the enthusiasm and work ethic displayed by the volunteers was incredible. Mr. Wiggins added they were polite and happy even in the pouring rain. Ms. Task

said all of the elves were first-time volunteers. There were 249 stops between the two routes.

Adjournment

Mr. Wiggins moved to adjourn. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council
Village of Reminderville
Date _____

Walter Hoffmann, Council President