

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA
COUNCIL MEETING
March 2, 2020

The regular meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Dean Kohagen at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

Council Member, Attendance: Dean Kohagen, President Sandy Smith, Clerk Phil Smith
Steve Miller Kevin Krzeminski Absent: Nort
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Dave Boswell Tim Fandel, Pres. Pro-Tem

Guests: Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner
Bruce Pindzia, Fleis & Vandenbrink
Frank & Terri Trierweiler

Minutes & Agenda: Member Fandel made the motion, supported by Member Smith to approve the agenda and the minutes of the February 3, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Guests: Bruce Pindzia of Fleis & Vandenbrink updated the council on the SAW Grant project. He explained what would be accomplished over the next few months as the project scheduled to be completed by the of the year. Clinton County Commissioner Dave Pohl updated the Council on a number of issues at the County level. Residents Frank and Terri Trierweiler requested the Council's approval to alter the location of their proposed new barn slightly from what was originally proposed on their building permit. After some discussion the council determined the requested change would not significantly change the originally approved building permit and approved the request.

Water/Sewer: Clerk Smith reported that starting with the water/sewer/trash bill sent in November 2019, residents should be able to pay online. Please see the Village website at www.westphaliامي.com , click on the Online Bill Pay link and enter your information. The Council will wait for information on the current condition of the water/sewer systems provided by the SAW Grant before addressing any potential rate changes. President Kohagen and Clerk Smith will work on drafting a policy regarding delinquent water/sewer accounts.

Financial: A motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of February for all funds was made by Member Fandel, supported by Member Smith. Motion carried.

Building & Zoning: Member Boswell presented and made a motion to approve Zoning permit 20-002, Brent Benway, 302 N Westphalia St, breezeway and storage shed; 20-003, TJ & Kristen Aldrich, 238 Platte Circle, residence; 20-004, Scott & Dana Platte, 306 Windward, storage shed; 20-005, Troy Thelen, 121 Maple Street, pool and fence. Permits comply with zoning at this time. Member Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Streets: The 2020 projects include asphaltting Elm Street (North of St Mary School), Vidua Circle and additional crack and fog sealing of other streets.

Administration Issues: Clerk Smith, President Kohagen, and Member Boswell met with Marne Daggett of Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) to discuss funding of the Village employee retirement system. Although our retirement account is adequate at this time, ensuring that it continues to be properly funded in the future is very important. Ms. Daggett may attend a future meeting of the full Council to discuss further.

Planning Commission: Cruise-In 2020 will be June 18th. The next meeting is April 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: April 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Boswell. Motion carried.