

Village of Clinton
Council Minutes
April 6, 2020

The meeting opened at 7:10 pm.

Members Present were President Doris Kemner (via Zoom), Carl Habrick, Larry Sines, Joe Orban, Bonnie Peters (via Zoom), Kevin Kelly, and Greg Michalak (via Zoom).

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Habrick to approve the regular Council minutes dated March 2, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Michalak and seconded by Orban to adopt the Council Conference Call Meeting Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Habrick to approve the checks written for period ending March 31, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Kelly to approve Resolution 2020-03, a Budget Amendment Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing to discuss the 2020-21 Budget opened at 7:23 pm.

Village Manager Cornish gave an overview of the budget, and noted that our price for curb/gutter and sidewalk replacement is far lower than it has been in years past. He suggested that residents be given an extended time to pay their share of the sidewalk improvements, and council agreed.

The public portion of the meeting closed at 7:31 pm. There were no public comments.

The Village Manager also reported on Potential Expenditure Reductions, if the economy is in crisis due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Sines to approve Resolution 2020-04, a resolution to approve the 2020-21 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Orban to award the 2020 Street Construction Bid for Oak Tree and Edward J, from Donna Drive to Johns Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Habrick to approve Resolution 2020-05 for the WWTP Capital & Water Debt Service. Motion carried unanimously.

Village Manager Cornish presented a Covid-19 Policy Update.

Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Habrick to approve the Covid-19 Modified PTO Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Peters to receive and file the Council information packet. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Peters and seconded by Habrick to authorize execution of the Electric Mutual Aid Agreement Memorandum of Understanding. Motion carried unanimously.

The Village Manager reported on the County's Executive Order Number 2020-04, regarding closing of parks and recreational facilities, such as basketball courts, skate parks, and tennis courts in order to reduce the spread of the coronavirus.

A motion was made by Orban and seconded by Kelly, to approve a pay increase for the Fire Department for medical calls and a bonus, through July 31, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

The Village Manager thanked Council Member Sines for reminding him the water and sewer rate increases were scheduled to take effect in May. Council agreed to delay those increases through at least August 31, 2020 because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Village Manager briefly discussed Council compensation because it has not been addressed in several years. In light of the Covid-19 crises, Council tabled action at this time.

The Village Manager is investigating the possibility of refinancing the WWTP Bonds with a lower interest rate and payment schedule.

The following comments were from Council. Carl Habrick asked when brush pickup begins. Joe Orban asked that everyone be safe, and to not ignore the science. Bonnie Peters wanted to thank the Village employees and fire fighters for their hard work and dedication. President Kemner reiterated how important the Stay at Home order is for reducing the spread of the Coronavirus.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Orban to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Jennifer Adams, Village Clerk

Date