**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting**

**April 20, 2020**

Mayor Shelton called the meeting to order. The meeting was held on-line and streamed on the Village of Fairfax Facebook page. Those present were Robert Ernst, Sharon Lally, Don Kessel, Russell Riffle, Virginia Cammeresi, and Christy Resnik.

**Reading of the Bills and Bank Reconciliation**

Mayor Shelton asked for the reading of the bills and bank reconciliation. Mr. Riffle stated that the bills had been paid and bank statement had been reconciled for the month of March 2020. Mr. Riffle made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliation, and seconded by Mr. Ernst. All members present voted Aye

**Reading of the Minutes**

Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2020 Regular Council meeting. Ms. Cammeresi made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Ernst. All members present voted Aye. The March minutes were approved. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2020 Special Council meeting. Mr. Riffle made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Ernst. The April Special Council meeting minutes were approved.

**Communications** – No Communications.

**Committee Reports –** No Committee Reports.

**Mayor’s Monthly Report**

$7,364.77 was received in Mayors Court fines, forfeitures and fees for the month of   
March 2020. The mayor asked for a motion to approve the Mayor’s Monthly Reports. Mr. Riffle made a motion to accept the Mayor’s Monthly Reports, seconded by Mr. Kessel. All present voted Aye. The monthly report has been approved.

**Administrator’s Report**

**2020 Residential Streets**: The 2020 Streets Project will be going out to bid soon so that bids are received in time for a possible award at the May council meeting. We did receive cost estimates from Tim King for Arrow Point Way for both a concrete and asphalt paving option. We will bid out both as an option and council can decide which way to go depending on how the bids come in.

**High Street Property:** Ms. Kaminer asked Council to consider extending a closing for the High Street property until the end of May due to the pandemic. Mr. Kessel has spoken to the buyer and got the impression that now is not a good time for the buyer, and Council should consider re-listing the property. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the May ECC Meeting.

**COVID 19 Issues:** TheMemorial Day Event for 2020 will be cancelled. Even though the Governor will begin lifting some of the Stay at Home regulations in May, there is much pre-planning that goes into these kinds of events. We will forgo the ceremony for this year and figure out another event/venue to honor a Citizen of the Year at some other point this year.

The Ted Shannon Memorial Golf Outing will be postponed in May and rescheduled for Sunday September 27, 2020 at California Golf Course.

Although the Stay at Home Order will begin to be lifted as of May 1st, it is not yet known how the Governor’s office intends to roll this out. Because certain standards of social distancing will still be required, the Village will not have any events or activities for the month of May at the Recreation Center or shelter. We will also plan on keeping the municipal building closed to the public during business/daytime hours as we go into May. We are hopeful that we can have in-person ECC and council meetings with social distancing standards in place, but this is still being discussed and will be driven by the guidelines coming from the Governor’s office.

The Village handbook is ready to go – we had planned on having this passed out in April, but with the pandemic, it may be held off until June. The May Forum will just be a small informational flyer like it was in April and will be mailed out to everyone. If we can have them passed out as normal in June, we will plan on including the new handbooks then.

**Dental Plan renewal:** Our Dental Plan renewal has been received effective August 1, 2020. Rates are increasing 3% but will be locked in for a 2-year term (through July 31, 2022). As an example, the cost for a family plan is going from $93.71 per month to $96.52 per month.1

**New Business**: Ordinance 16-2020 is an amendment to the Agreement for the CRA real estate tax abatement previously adopted by this council for the proposed development at 3700 Red Bank Road – former Swallen’s property. The only thing changing on the agreement are the dates of the project and estimated completions. Because of delays with closing on the property, the effective dates of the CRA need to be modified. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by Mr. Abes and he has determined it is a straight forward and simple date change.

**Police Chief Report**

Activity on the streets has been somewhat quiet. Wal-Mart has been hit or miss, some days no activity and then some really busy days. Domestic violence calls have increased in last 2 weeks. Implemented a lot of officer on-line training with the down-time that is occurring. Officers have moved to 12-hour shifts, has worked out well so far.

**New Business:**

**Ordinance 15-2020**

Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute an Amendment to Loan Agreement with Little Miami Joint Fire & Rescue District and Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Mr. Ernst made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Ms. Lally. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Lally made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Kessel. All present voted Aye.

**Ordinance 16-2020**

Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute an Amended and Restated Community Reinvestment Area Agreement with FCA Realty, LLC for a Real Property Tax Exemption Pursuant to the Community Reinvestment Area Previously Established by the Village and Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Ms. Lally made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Ms. Resnik. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Lally made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Riffle. All present voted Aye.

**Resolution 03-2020**

The Adoption of an Alternative Method of Apportioning the Local Government Fund. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution. Ms. Lally made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Ernst. All present voted Aye.

**Resolution 04-2020**

Authorizing the Drawing of Warrants in Payment of Amounts Due Upon Contracts or Orders for Three Thousand Dollars or More Pursuant to a “Then and Now” Certificate, in Conformance with Revised Code Section 5705.41(D)(1). Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution. Ms. Lally made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Riffle. All present voted Aye.

**Old Business:**

**Ordinance 11-2020**

Approving the Village of Fairfax, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District Program Plan – Residential Plan; Authorizing and Approving the Execution, Delivery, and Performance of a Village Residential Pace Cooperative Agreement with Respect to Property Assessed Clean Energy Transactions in Cooperation with the Village of Fairfax, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority; Authorizing the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority to Approve Petitions and Plans for Public Improvements or Public Services Submitted by the Owners of Real Property within the Village Requesting That Their Property be Added to the Territory of the Village of Fairfax, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District and Assessed for the Costs of Such Plans on Behalf of the Council of the Village. *Second Reading.*

**Ordinance 12-2020**

Providing for the Employment of Legal Counsel. *Second Reading*.

**Ordinance 13-2020**

Amending Section 70.37 of the Traffic Code of The Village of Fairfax, Prohibiting and Providing Penalties for Driving Under Suspension. *Second Reading.*

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**Council Discussion**

Council discussed parking issue raised by resident on Watterson. The Police Department will monitor the situation and mark cars that have not been moved in a timely manner.

**Five minutes for audience questions/comments:**

**ADJOURN:**

Mayor Shelton requested a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Riffle

Motion was seconded: Ms. Lally

The meeting was adjourned.

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Carson Shelton, Mayor Robert Doppes, Fiscal Officer