**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting**

**November 16, 2020**

Mayor Shelton called the meeting to order. The November Council Meeting was held via Zoom. 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 October 2020. Mr. Riffle made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliation, and seconded by Mr. Kessel. All members present voted Aye

**Reading of the Minutes**

Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2020 Regular Council meeting. Ms. Resnik made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Cammeresi. All members present voted Aye. The October minutes were approved.

**Communications** – Police Chief Bronson received a letter from the Boy Scouts of America thanking him for the Police Departments commitment of $500.00 to the 2020 Boy Scout 100 Kart Race Enduro campaign. The letter stated that through virtual and safe in-person activities, Scouting continues to deliver life-changing adventures to our region’s youth. This gift helps make all of this possible. Signed by Scout Executive/CEO, Andrew V. Zahn

**Committee Reports –** None.

**Mayor’s Monthly Report**

$4,721.75 was received in Mayors Court fines, forfeitures and fees for the month of
October 2020. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Mayor’s Monthly Report. Mr. Riffle made a motion to accept the Mayor’s Monthly Report, seconded by Ms. Cammeresi. All present voted Aye. The monthly report has been approved.

**Administrator’s Report**

 **2020 Residential Streets**: The contractor has started working on curbs on High Street today (11/16/20). Once that work is completed, the asphalt contractor will pave both Eleanor and High Street together. That will complete the project once asphalt is put in, but there is no timeline of when the curbs will be completed. Jenny will update council when she knows more.

There is an Ordinance under New Business for a change order #2 for the project. Additional grinding was done and asphalt will be installed on Eleanor. Due to an uneven profile of the existing pavement, stormwater drainage issues would be caused without repaving certain areas of the street. The change order is in the amount of $14,956. The total project will be at $358,368.50 and still well below the $500,000 we had budgeted for street replacement this year. Mr. Kessel asked if Virginia Ave. was included in the 2020 Street Projects, Ms. Kaminer stated that work on Virginia Ave. was only to be included if something else was needed, other than the repair work that was done on Virginia in the past year. The repair work has held up and no other issues have come up that requires Virginia to be included in the 2020 project.

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**HC Auction Site**: Under New Business is an ordinance to renew the Agreement with Hamilton County for listing unneeded Village items on their auction website. We made good use of the site this year and sold off both police and maintenance surplus equipment. The agreement would be in effect until 12/31/2023. The County receives an 8% fee for any product sold. The service includes a county rep coming out to take pictures of the items, gathering information on the items and posting the pictures and specs of those items on their site. The Village saves in advertising fees as well.

In 2020, the Village made $7,253.86 on sold items and the County received $580.31. (Gross sales = $7,834.17). Ms. Resnik asked if the proceeds from the street sweeper are included in the sales number and Ms. Kaminer confirmed the street sweeper is included.

**Police Chief Report**

The Fairfax Police Association will hold its annual Toy Drive on Sunday 12/6 from 10:00-3:00PM at Wal-Mart.

The Police Department has been working on establishing a policy related to the President’s executive order regarding safe policing. Chief Bronson stated the Ohio Collaborative has specific wording for the new policy, so he is currently waiting on the appropriate wording to use for the policy. Main focus of the policy is mostly related to choke holds.

Police Chief Bronson, Lieutenant Naticchioni and Mayor Shelton met with a representative from Bright View, a company that specializes in assisting individuals with Drug and Alcohol addiction. Bright View wants to get the word out that the are in the area and ready to help any individuals that need assistance.

**New Business:**

**Ordinance 24-2020**

Ordinance No. 24-2020 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter into an Agreement with the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio for the Purpose of Selling Surplus Equipment and Other Unneeded Personal Property and Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Mr. Kessel made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Ms. Cammeresi. 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 25-2020**

Ordinance No. 25-2020 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute a Change Order for the 2020 Residential Street Paving Project and Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Ms. Resnik made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Mr. Kessel. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Riffle made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Cammeresi. All present voted Aye.

**Ordinance 26-2020**

Ordinance No. 26-2020 To Provide for the Current Expenditures and Other Expenses of The Village of Fairfax, Ohio During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2020 with a Transfer of Funds from General Fund, Unappropriated To General Fund, Salary – Legal Counsel and Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Ms. Cammeresi made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Mr. Ernst. Mayor Shelton asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Riffle made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Ernst. All present voted Aye.

**Old Business:**

None

**Council Discussion**

Mayor Shelton recognized and congratulated the Mariemont High School Boys Varsity Soccer team for winning the State Championship!

**Five minutes for audience questions/comments**

None

**ADJOURN:**

Mayor Shelton requested a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Riffle

Motion was seconded: Mr. Kessel

The meeting was adjourned.

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Carson Shelton, Mayor Robert Doppes, Fiscal Officer