

REGULAR MEETING

April 12, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Moweaqua Village Council was called to order by Mayor Conlin leading in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll Call was answered by Kenny Long, Mark Traugher, Mike Snyder, Josh Whitney and Sean Hayes. Steve Jordan was absent. Employees present were Boomer Neece, Beth Hawn, Brad Sams, Chief Hale, Mischelle Davis and Attorney for the Village, Scott Garwood was also present. Others present included Stephanie Brown, Tiffy Sloan, Tatum Plain, Maddix Plain, Craig Plain, Chris Bright, Mike and Jennifer Woodard, Isaac Woodard, Steve Hooper and Aryn Callarman.

Community Development Committee Chairman Tiffy Sloan presented a loan request from Bramble Nation, LLC. The amount requested is \$25,000.00 and will be used in part to purchase the building at 117 N. Main St. Kevin Callarman is one of four partners in Bramble Nation, LLC and will operate a commercial coffee shop at the location. There will be 6 to 8 jobs created by the new business. Traugher made the motion to approve the Community Development Loan request from Bramble Nation, LLC, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Snyder made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with additions and corrections including the March Regular Meeting Minutes, Bills to be Paid in April and the Treasurer's Report. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Maddix Plain was in attendance with a proposal to clean up and replant around the Village of Moweaqua Welcome signs on the North and South ends of town. Plain requested approval to do the work in order to qualify for his Eagle Scout badge. Plain provided a paper copy of his plan so Council could visualize what would be done and what plants might be used. Council was very pleased to approve Plain's request. After discussion Traugher made the motion to approve the plan for revitalizing the Welcome to Moweaqua signs and offered a donation of \$500.00 towards the project, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented Change Order 2A as it relates to Division A Water System Improvements project L17-5609 (Non-Lead). After review and discussion Snyder made the motion to approve Change Order 2A regarding Water System Improvements project L17-5609 (Non-Lead), Traugher seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented Change Order 2B as it relates to Division A Water System Improvements project L17-6013 (Lead). After review and discussion Hayes made the motion to approve Change Order 2B regarding Water System Improvements project L17-6013 (Lead), Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented IEPA Disbursement Request #5 for Loan L17-6013 (Lead) in the amount of \$23,192.00 for Pay Requests to Chastain & Associates and Petersburg Plumbing. Snyder made the motion to approve IEPA Disbursement Request #5 for Loan L17-6013 (Lead) in the amount of \$23,192.00 for Pay Requests to Chastain & Associates and Petersburg Plumbing, Traugher seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented IEPA Disbursement Request #9 for L17-5609 (Non-Lead) in the amount of \$64,175.72 for Pay Requests to Chastain & Associates and Petersburg Plumbing. Long made the motion to approve IEPA Disbursement Request #9 for L17-5609 (Non-Lead) in the amount of \$64,175.72 for Pay Requests to Chastain & Associates and Petersburg Plumbing, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin requested discussion regarding how Council wishes to use ARPA grant funds. The Village has received half of their allotted funds. The second and final tranche will be sent out in July bringing the total to \$233,249.10. The Village is required to submit a report to the U.S. Treasury specifying how the funds will be used by April 30, 2022. The grant program provides guidelines for a broad range of general government uses. After discussion Long made the motion to approve using ARPA funds for the purchase of back up pump for the Main Street Lift Station, spare lift station check valves, well 18 & 19 rehab, Putnam Street watermain replacement, Putnam Street culvert replacement, Gorden Road watermain extension, East Main Street storm/tile drainage improvements, Snyder seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Police Committee Chairman Josh Whitney presented his recommendation to hire Isaac Woodard as Full Time Officer. After discussion Snyder made the motion to hire Isaac Woodard as Full Time Police Officer effective April 20, 2022 with a starting wage of \$21.00 per hour, \$22.00 per hour upon completion of academy and up to \$2,000.00 for uniform and equipment from Ray O'Herron, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented a request for donation from the CAM High School Prom Committee. The donation will be used to support the post-prom event. This event is an effort to offer planned activity designed to keep kids safe on prom night. The Water Superintendent and Police Chief pledged \$250.00 donations each from their budgets. Traugher made the motion to approve \$250.00 donations from Water & Sewer and Drug/Alcohol accounts, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traugher, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented a request from Darrell Best, Public Relations Coordinator for the Old River Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. to proclaim the month of May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month. Snyder made the motion to approve proclaiming the month of May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month, Traughber seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traughber, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin requested a motion to adjourn if there was no further business to come before Council. Long made the motion to adjourn, Traughber seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Traughber, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

MAYOR

CLERK