VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on November 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. with Aaron Frank presiding

Present at Hearing: Michael Procuk, Mayor

Aaron Frank, Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Zoldak, Engineer Jennifer Presot, Council Member Joe Blados, Service Director

GUESTS: Joe Presot, Becky Gogol

Aaron Frank called the Public Hearing to order at 11:00 am. He explained that the purpose of the hearing is to discuss the Cuyahoga County Supplemental Grant Program.

Engineer Jenny Zoldak stated that the Cuyahoga County Supplemental Grant Program is derived from the casino money given to the County. County Council has dedicated \$1,000,000 to be distributed to communities via grants of \$50,000.

The Engineer and Administration has been looking at submitting application for the installation of a pickleball court at Dorset Mini Park. This project would compliment the other park improvements recently completed. The goal of the project would be to provide pedestrian access to pickleball facilities to all residents in the Village, since those residents in the Dorset Mini Park area do not have pedestrian access to the Upper Park improvements that were installed in the last few years. The project would also entail vacating the R/W and consolidating the parcels into one Village-owned parcel, placing the area as park use in perpetuity.

The group discussed the possibility to add additional Village funding to the project. It was decided that a Parks committee meeting would be held on November 21, to discuss whether a match in local funds could be committed to the project, if the grant application is successful. All participants felt this would be a favorable addition to the project, need committee approval. The funds would potentially be used for several options, which were not decided in the meeting, but could include replacement of playground equipment and walking path in the park.

Future phases of the project were discussed. This includes a mountain bike trail in the properties, potential parking lot, and other ideas. The intent is to discuss these items further in 2024.

There were no additional comments, questions, or other potential projects proposed. Attendees were in consensus to move forward with the application for proposed pickleball court installation.

Aaron Frank adjourned the Public Hearing at 11:30 a.m.

Jennifer S. Zoldak, P.E. Village of Brooklyn Heights Engineer