

# COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

## MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD February 22, 2022 20

A meeting of the Council of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on February 22, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Michael Procuk presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at this time.

Present at roll call:	Council Members:	Berzins, Blados, Lasky, Presot
	Mayor:	Procuk
	Clerk/Treasurer:	Frank
	Asst Law Director:	
	Engineer:	
	Police Chief:	
	Fire Chief:	
	Asst. Fire Chief	
	Acting Service Dir:	
	Bldg. Commissioner:	
	Asst. Bldg. Comm.	
	Comm. Service Dir:	
	Recreation Dir:	
	Soccer Dir:	

GUESTS: Greg Cingle, Tax Administrator  
Matt Mau, RITA Representative

**MOTION:** Mayor Procuk made a motion to excuse Councilman Walsh's absence. Seconded by Mrs. Presot. Motion passes 5-0.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Patrol Officer Megan Blair communicated to Police Chief Meade on February 21<sup>st</sup> that she accepted a position with the City of Wickliffe but does not yet have a resignation date. She will keep him posted throughout the process and has appreciated the opportunity to work at Brooklyn Heights.

### AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

None

### TAX ADMINISTRATOR

- Tax Administrator, Greg Cingle, reviewed the 2020 and 2021 collections and 2022 projections.
- We ended 2020 with a collection just over \$6.3 million and our 2021 collection was almost \$7.2 million reflecting an approximate increase of \$185,000 over the 2020 collections.
- We are beginning our budgetary process with a 2022 collection projection at \$7.2 million.
- The 2021 and 2022 first two month's comparison reflects an increase of \$370,000 higher than last year.

### RITA REPRESENTATIVE

- RITA Representative, Matt Mau, our government liaison, provided the Village with a Proclamation as one of RITA's original 39 members of the Regional Council of Governments.
- Mr. Mau explained the handouts and the expansion of electronic filings by taxpayers. He referred to the 2020 electronic payments of \$3.6 million, the 2021 electronic payments of \$4.9 million and year to date at \$607,000. This amount will increase steadily as tax payers receive their W-2 forms and file their taxes.
- 2020 compared to 2019 was an increase of 5.62%.
- Mr. Mau complimented the Village's participation in the Subpoena Delinquency Compliance program, shared the collection amount and shared that there are still outstanding liabilities.

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- He reviewed the Federal Tax Information Department and their role in the collections process.

Mayor Procuk reported that the Mayor's & Manager's Association is actively engaged with every decision made at the state level regarding the tax implications of remote workers.

### PARKS, PLAYGROUND AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Mr. Blados reported that this committee met earlier this evening to discuss dug outs and backstop fencing. Engineer Henry presented proposals and will get back with solid pricing.
- A vote was taken for the playground equipment colors.

### STREETS & SAFETY

- Mr. Blados reported on the Streets Committee meeting held tonight regarding the purchase of a new dump truck for the Service Department.
- Mrs. Presot stated that the Safety Committee meeting also held tonight discussed the purchase of a vehicle for the Police Department.

### ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

#### ORDINANCE 16-2022 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GANLEY CHEVROLET OF AURORA, LLC TO PURCHASE A 2022 CHEVROLET TAHOE

Sponsor: Berzins

Second: Presot

Yeas: 4

Nays: 0

Ordinance 16-2022 is adopted.

#### ORDINANCE 17-2022 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CLERK/TREASURER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AROUND THE CLOCK MAINTENANCE TO PURCHASE A 2019 FORD F750 FOR USE BY THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Sponsor: Blados

Second: Lasky

Yeas: 4


Nays: 0

Ordinance 17-2022 is adopted.

There being no further business to come before the council, it was moved by Mayor Procuk and seconded by Presot that the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: All

Meeting adjourned.

  
-Mayor PRESIDENT PRO-TEM

  
Clerk/Treasurer