

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN

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Roll call showed the following members present for the meeting on this date at 6:30 p.m. Larger, Condon, Wuebker, Burnell, Elshoff and Lomakin. Also, present were Solicitor This, Mayor Parker, Chief Skinner, Village Administrator Richter and Fiscal Officer Speelman.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Condon.

Visitors attending were Erin Gardner from The Daily Standard.

Minutes from the October 9, 2023 regular meeting were approved. Motion by Wuebker. Second by Larger. Six ayes.

Larger reported total expenditures for October in the amount of \$1,578,955.38 and total receipts for September were \$1,322,123.11; noted Finance committee reviewed bank reconciliations for September. Motion by Larger. Second by Condon. Six ayes.

Mayor Parker's Report:

- Received letter from Secretary of State Frank LaRose urging voters to go to voteohio.gov to get accurate information for the November 7 election.

Village Administrator Richter Report:

- No Report.

Committee meetings were held at Park Street prior to council meeting for councilors to see and hear concerns from residents on the installation of sidewalks on the west side of Park St during the upcoming street reconstruction project.

In discussion, Larger felt safety supported installing the sidewalks. The engineers design supports there is sufficient space for the install. Lomakin commented as the ordinance is currently written, sidewalks will need to be installed. Any change to this would require the ordinance to be rewritten. Burnell understood the concerns of the residents and feels sidewalks are not needed. More discussion will take place at a future meeting.

State Route 274 Waterline replacement project had additional expense for material and labor for change order 1 incurred by Fenson Contracting LLC during reconstruction in the amount of \$26,692.50. Elshoff made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Lomakin. Six ayes. Declaring Emergency Resolution 2023-10-15 State Route 274 West Waterline Replacement change order 1 from Fenson Contracting LLC in the amount of \$26,692.50. Motion by Wuebker. Second by Elshoff. Six ayes.

The change order for State Route 274 Waterline replacement will require an amendment to appropriations in the amount of \$35,217.12 bringing total 2023 appropriations to \$27,453,942.57.

Larger made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Condon. Six ayes. Declaring Emergency Resolution 2023-10-22 Amend 2023 appropriations. Motion by Burnell. Second by Lomakin. Six ayes.

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Village Administrator Richter presented a power point to discuss filling in ditch and low contour around wastewater treatment plant for site improvement for potential ammonia and phosphorus mitigation. Dirt from Plum St Reconstruction will be used to fill in the ditch.

Final assessments have been received from repairs of curbs, gutters and driveway approaches on State Route 274. The total assessed to residents is \$129,746.93.

Second Reading Ordinance 2023-10-20 Levying Assessments of State Route 274 Curb Project.

Water plant salt bid opening was October 4. Artesian of Pioneer was the sole bid at \$178/ton. A 23% increase over current price of \$145/ton.

Second Reading Resolution 2023-10-14 Accept salt bid from Artesian of Pioneer for \$178/ton.

Discussed CDL for village employees. With the increased training course cost, the village will pay for the first attempt to obtain license. If employee leaves within 3 years of obtaining license, cost of course is due back to village. Defined sick leave use for birth of a child.

Second Reading Ordinance 2023-10-21 Amend Employee Handbook.

Larger made a motion at 7:04pm to enter executive session to discuss purchase or sale of property. Larger made a motion at 7:16pm to exit executive session. Second by Elshoff. Six ayes. No action was taken.

Larger made a motion to adjourn at 7:17p.m. Second by Elshoff. Six ayes.

Robert D. Parker, Mayor

Amy M. Speelman, Fiscal Officer