VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE Minutes of Village Council Meeting January 11, 2021

On January 11, 2021, the Farmersville Village Council met in regular session via Zoom in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Mayor Nick Lamb called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and followed by a roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Cunningham, Ms. Hadley, Mr. Craig, Mr. Roach, Mr. Holderman and Mr. Depew.

EMPLOYEES: Amy Schenck, Steve Morgan.

OTHER IN ATTENDANCE: Kirsten Knight, Chief Schade, Chief Erisman, Tom Sears, Pastor Jon Kibler.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to approve the minutes of December 28, 2020. Roll Call: Mr. Roach: yes; Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Depew: yes; Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Depew moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve the minutes of January 4, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Roach: abstain; Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Depew: yes; Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Depew seconded to approve the bills for this period warrant no 35440-35459 totaling \$9,017.26. Roll Call: Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Depew: yes; Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes; Mr. Roach: yes. MOTION PASSED.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Pastor Jon Kibler spoke on behalf of CAMP (Community Action Mission Project) and thanked the Village for their generous support in 2020. The clients seeking help was triple the amount because of the pandemic. The group is looking for 30 medium sized boxes, donations of spaghetti sauce and noodles, jelly and canned fruits and vegetables. Pastor Jon spoke on behalf of FABA (Farmersville Area Business Association) and asked to be put in contact with the person who orders the flowers for the flowerpots that are placed around the Village. FABA will be happy to pay half of the costs for the flowers. The play has been postponed until October 17, 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic. He reported that FABA will still be offering a scholarship to a graduating Valley View senior this year. He asked that if anyone has information about new businesses opening up to please let him know so that FABA can reach out to them. Pastor Jon spoke on behalf of the ministerial association and announced that the Ash Wednesday Service would be February 17th at Saint Andrew Church and that the community Good Friday service would be held Friday, April 2 at 7 p.m. with the location to be announced later. The community Easter sunrise service will be held Sunday, April 4th at 6:30 a.m. at Saint Andrew Church. There will not breakfast served this year because of the pandemic.

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Chief Schade reported that there had been a burglary reported in the last week of December. They used video from the Fire Department's cameras and were able to get six confessions from area juveniles. They didn't steal anything but caused extensive damage. None of the kids involved have ever been in trouble before so it is unlikely that they will see any jail time but the department is seeking restitution. That will be up to the Juvenile Court to decide. He thanked Chief Erisman and the Fire Association for their willingness to work together and help solve this crime.

FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Chief Erisman reported that the Santa going around the Village was very well received and the department probably will continue to do that in the future. He thanked the Village for the gift certificate from Jerry's Meat Market they used it to buy pizza for the fire/emergency services staff. He has applied for a grant to replace a piece of equipment from 1994. The department expects to receive a rescue UTV with a fire pump from the Ohio Bureau

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of Workers Comp. Chief Erisman commended Chief Schade and the Police Department for their great work and expressed his appreciation for their great working relationship between the departments. Mayor Lamb expressed his appreciation to Damon Riegel for donating his prize from the Village's Facebook Christmas lights/decoration contest to the Fire Association and the Police Department.

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS: None

PLANNING / SERVICE COMMITTEES: Did not meet.

MAYORS COMMENTS:

Mayor Lamb commented that the personnel committee would be meeting briefly tonight to discuss the Administrator's position.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Morgan reported that the Village did not score well on the OPWC grant. Mr. Sears explained that the Village can tweak the application and reapply. One option is to apply for a 50/50 split and ask for a 50% grant and fund the other 50% with Village funds. Mr. Sears stated that since the Well # 3 Project wasn't mandated, there might be other things related to water production that might be more pressing to take care of.

Mrs. Schenck stated that she was under the impression that the Well # 3 Project was mandated by the EPA. Mr. Morgan confirmed that the Well #3 Project was a strong recommendation, not mandated. There was additional discussion among Council about their understanding of the project.

Mr. Sears commented that the OPWC grant would score much better with a 50% match but he would defer to the Fiscal Officer to make that call.

Mrs. Schenck asked what the total estimated cost of the project was. No one had that number in front of them. Ms. Schenck stated that the Village had been preparing to pay for the entire cost to bring Well #3 into production so a 50% split seemed like a great alternative but she needed to know the total project estimate first. She recommended not going into debt on the project. If the Village could get a grant for 50% of the project, we should have enough cash on hand to pay the remaining 50% out of the Water Fund. Mr. Sears and Mr. Morgan will get the project information out to everyone.

Mr. Morgan stated that the filter media at the water plant needs to be replaced, that cost estimate is \$75,000. The aeration basins and the clear well need to be drained and professionally cleaned. The aerator needs to have maintenance performed by a professional as well. These things are 23 years old and at the end of their useful life. These projects need to be scheduled for 2021-2022. Mr. Morgan will get cost estimates for these repairs and maintenance projects.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Mrs. Schenck reported that this is always a really busy time in her office. The W2s have been processed, everyone should have received their by now. The end of the year withholding reports and payments have been filed and the books have been opened for 2021.

All formal actions of the Council and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

At 7:38 p.m. Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to adjourn to executive session under the authority of O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline,

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promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes; Mr. Roach; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Depew: yes. MOTION PASSED.

At 7:50 p.m. Mr. Roach moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to return to regular session. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes; Mr. Roach; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Depew: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Roach moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham: yes; Ms. Hadley: yes; Mr. Roach; Mr. Holderman: yes; Mr. Craig: yes; Mr. Depew: yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:

Amy Schenck, Fiscal Officer

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