

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019 - 7:30 P.M.
MAYOR WILLIAM G. KOONS PRESIDING**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Canton, Carroll, Galicki, Nairn, Porter, Schloss

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Fiscal Officer Romanowski, Fiscal Auditor Lechman, Police Chief Rizzo, Street Commissioner Johnson, Solicitor Matheney, Engineer Haibach

VISITORS: Patrick Roach, Lakeview Ln.; Bryan Kostura and family, Galloway Trail, Novelty; Charlie and Jennifer Cimperman, Westover Dr.; Darrell Bartkowski, W. Bel Meadow Ln.

Mayor called the Regular Council meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Fiscal Officer read the roll. Porter made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2019 Council meeting, seconded by Nairn. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Mayor acknowledged the service of former Council member Bryan Kostura. Porter presented Kostura with a framed picture of Village Hall and Carroll presented the Resolution of Appreciation for his service to the Village of South Russell.

Darrell Bartkowski, W. Bel Meadow Lane, addressed Council regarding his disagreement with the proposed ordinance to prohibit the parking of trailers. In his many years in South Russell, he had not observed an abuse of vehicles parked on properties. He thought the ordinance was unfair to the residents, particularly the ones with boats and recreational vehicles who would be forced to store them offsite. He did not think the ordinance was family friendly and felt it was an infringement upon property rights.

Patrick Roach, Lakeview Lane, stated that parked trailers did not bother him, but the parking of junk cars was applicable. He explained that there was a problem in his neighborhood with cars that had not been moved for years.

Charlie Cimperman, an Eagle Scout candidate and World War II reenactor, stated he planned to do an Eagle Scout project involving preserving the stories of war veterans.

The Mayor addressed a proposed Veterans Memorial. He previously assigned 8 persons to the committee for the project and added that there would be a meeting Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at South Russell Village Hall to obtain input from the community and veterans. An article regarding this would also be posted in the upcoming newsletter.

Carroll suggested formally creating an ad hoc committee for the Veterans Memorial. Canton made a motion for Council to create a committee to investigate and research the placement of six flagpoles, seconded by Carroll. The Solicitor asked how many people would be on the committee and who they were. The Mayor suggested the committee have under 10 members and

stated the current committee members are the Street Commissioner, Canton, Porter, Jim Aluni, Vince Massa, Linda Mattern, Eric and Kelly Kimball, Robin Rood, and the Mayor. Carroll asked if the members were required to be residents and it was determined it did not matter. Carroll asked if the purpose of the committee was to research and make recommendations to Council for a memorial at the corner property on Bell Rd. and Chillicothe Rd., and the Mayor clarified that it was to create a memorial park somewhere in the Village. Nairn asked if the committee was open to other members and stated she would like to be included. Porter agreed 11 members, being an odd number, would be a good number for the size of the committee. Voice vote – ayes, Carroll, Canton, Nairn, Porter, Schloss. Nay, Galicki. Motion carried.

The Mayor reported that the Request for Proposal (RFP) would be completed by the Chagrin River Watershed Partners (CRWP) for the Village Hall Section 319 project. Council could expect to see it at the July 8 or August 12, 2019 Council meeting before it is sent to interested companies.

The Mayor reminded Council that at the July 8th Council meeting, residents of the Paw Paw Lake neighborhood would be present to discuss their efforts to upgrade their road and bridge and to determine how Council might help. Engineer asked the Mayor to remind him when the residents planned to present their proposal.

A request was received for the use of the pavilion for Saturday, June 29th, which the Mayor planned to reject due to the playground construction. The Fiscal Officer advised that the individual changed the date but added that a larger issue was that the request included alcohol, additional tents, tables, and chairs, portable volleyball and badminton, and a food truck. She was aware of special requirements involved with food trucks and needed guidance from Council. Carroll stated the City of Cleveland often provides the food trucks with an inspection; the Village Fire Inspector should be consulted. Carroll stated that the Village did not have specific guidelines, but that many municipalities follow State guidelines. The Mayor suggested speaking to Jim Aluni and the Fire Prevention Officer and thought the request could possibly be approved on July 8th. The Fiscal Officer stated the applicant was willing to wait until the end of July but required an answer for planning purposes as the party is a graduation party for 60-70 people. Porter asked if police presence was required with alcohol being present as well as with the large number of people. Chief Rizzo advised that there had been discussion in the past of having an off-duty officer present for security, but no decision had been made. It is the policy, however, in the county to have security present when there is alcohol. The Mayor suggested the applicant should be told tentatively that she could reserve the pavilion, but the final decision would be made July 8th. Galicki asked if the pavilion would be closed during the installation of the playground or whether it was just being closed to this party. Porter said the park would continue to be operated, but that he thought that a party that size would expand into the park construction area. He added that he thought this would be the largest party held in the pavilion. Carroll suggested that the concerts in the park were large, and if those are going to continue to be held during the construction process as well as allowing the pavilion to remain open for individuals without a formal reservation to use, this could be an issue. The Mayor was concerned about safety issues, and Galicki thought there might be an issue if one applicant were denied when others were permitted to use it. The Mayor stated that the matter would be investigated by the Property Committee along with the Chief, and that the Fiscal Officer would contact the applicant

to let her know a decision would be made at the July 8th Council meeting. There was a question about the upcoming concerts in the park, and Galicki pointed out that it is problematic to have safety concerns for one event and not for the other. He felt the standards should be the same for everyone.

The Mayor asked the Building Committee to make a motion to approve a one-meeting appointment of Ann Dunning to the Architectural Board of Review (ABR) for the Tuesday, June 18, 2019 meeting because of conflicts of interest by two of the members. Schloss made a motion to appoint Ann Dunning to the ABR for one meeting, seconded by Canton. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Mayor stated that the Village had used its entire budget for the Solicitor in five months. He requested the Finance Committee examine how Council utilized the Solicitor. Porter advised this was discussed at the last Finance Committee meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER: The Fiscal Officer submitted her monthly report in the Council packets; there were no questions.

FISCAL AUDITOR: The Fiscal Auditor distributed his report for the month ending May 31, 2019. He noted that there were two new funds reflected; the Headwater Restoration Fund and the Natureworks Playground Fund.

The total of all fund balances was approximately \$3.2 million. He stated that the fund balances matched the Fiscal Officer's to the penny.

The interest rates flattened out at 2.55%. The balances were up \$172,000 from last month. There was a sizeable collection from Income Taxes of \$288,000 and the Village was at 56% of the budgeted amount. Quarterly Ambulance Fees were received, which were reflected as a reduction on the invoice received. Homestead and Rollback funds of \$76,000 were also received. His report reflected donations to the South Russell Village Park and to the South Russell Police Charity Car Show. There were no expenses out of the norm. For the year, the Village was up \$537,000 and balances should continue to increase in the next couple of months, but then they will continue to fall until the end of the year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Nairn stated the Finance Committee met June 7, 2019, the minutes of which would be distributed to Council upon completion. She reminded Council about the Tax Budget meeting to be held July 8, 2019 at 7:25 p.m. Nairn also reminded Council that the renewal of the Safety Levy would be on the November 5, 2019 ballot. As of June 10, 2019, Nairn stated the Village had not received the May rent payment on the rental property.

Nairn made a motion to accept the May fund balances of the Fiscal Auditor and Fiscal Officer, seconded by Porter. Voice vote – ayes all. Motion carried.

Nairn made a motion to acknowledge receipt and review of the detailed transaction report for the credit card charges, seconded by Porter. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

Nairn acknowledged the value of the Solicitor to the Village and its residents but addressed the current issue of the Solicitor's fees exceeding the budget within a five-month period. Nairn and Porter stated that efforts to conduct research should be done if possible before utilizing the Solicitor. Carroll advised that the Solicitor keeps Council in line and ensures transparency. He added that the Village has had many issues and projects this year, to include restructuring the Building Department, job descriptions, stormwater issues, grants, etc. all of which have required the Solicitor. Carroll agreed with the need to limit costs by conducting research prior to contacting the Solicitor, but ultimately, stated the purpose of the Solicitor was to serve the community, Council, and the Mayor.

The Mayor added that other surrounding communities have the same issue.

SOLICITOR: The Solicitor advised she would be on vacation for the next two weeks but would be available by phone and email. Todd Hicks would be available for the upcoming ZBA and Planning Commission meetings.

Carroll asked the status of the 30-day eviction process. The Solicitor stated the termination letter was sent on May 14th or May 15th. The tenants were given until June 30, 2019 to vacate, and that there was no more lease, nor would there be continuing month-to-month tenancy. She clarified that the eviction would begin if the tenants did not leave by July 1, 2019. The letters were sent by certified and regular mail, and hand delivered. The Fiscal Officer stated that the certified return receipts had been received.

ENGINEER: The Engineer stated that the Village received some great bids for the 2019 Road Program. He said that Specialized Construction came in as the lowest bidder with a base bid for the Road Program plus the three alternates for \$345,249, which was below the Engineer's estimate. Porter added that it was below the \$350,000 budgeted for the Road Program. The Engineer stated that a preconstruction meeting would take place the following week depending on the status of the contract.

The Engineer would be examining the big ditch that flows west of the Bel Meadow area with the Mayor and the Street Commissioner.

The Engineer stated that he and the Mayor discussed submitting an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant application in the amount of \$94,300 to help offset next year's expected expenses for paving and reconstructing the Kensington Circle roadway. Kensington Circle and Sheerbrook Dr. were at the top of the Engineer's list, but after close examination, the Engineer felt Kensington Circle was worse according to the OPWC criteria. Carroll indicated that Council should consider doing both projects because Sheerbrook Dr. was also in bad shape and the residents were upset about its condition. The Engineer explained that he examined the ability of surface water to infiltrate into the subgrade on both roads and found this issue with Kensington Circle but not with Sheerbrook Dr. Carroll called the Engineer's attention to the fact that three members of Council live in Kensington Green, and that Council should be aware of the possible perception. The Engineer stated that the chances of getting the OPWC grant were slim, but if it could be obtained, \$94,300 would be helpful. Carroll asked if something could be done

for either road to make it last another year. The Engineer advised that most of the severe failures on Sheerbrook Dr. were on the centerline. The Village patched the areas. Schloss asked about tar and chipping and whether this was a possibility. The Engineer stated Sheerbrook Dr. would get a chip seal and paving, but not this year. Schloss and Carroll felt it needed to be addressed this year. Porter stated he would be in favor of doing Sheerbrook Dr. instead of Kensington Circle.

STREET COMMISSIONER: The Street Commissioner submitted a month end report and added that much of the Street Department work was weather dependent and thus had to be delayed. The playground equipment was delivered to the Village, but the park had been too wet to prepare the site. Excavation work for the Road Program was also delayed due to weather.

Nairn questioned the Street Commissioner about the cost of grass seed and crabgrass treatment in the Cemetery, and the Street Commissioner reported that in comparison with the past seed supplier, the seed was less expensive; 48,000 square feet were treated. Nairn thought the price seemed high, but the Street Commissioner stated it was lower than it had been with previous vendors.

Porter asked when the benches would be available for the Cemetery, and the Street Commissioner said they were in at the monument company, but installation was weather dependent.

Schloss asked about the landscaping on the Village campus. The Street Commissioner advised this should be addressed to the Properties Committee, but that the Street Department would be doing landscaping at the Police Department. His understanding of the landscaping of Village Hall was that either grass, mulch, or stone would be installed up to the building.

The Mayor asked Property Committee to address this at the July 8, 2019 Council meeting.

STREET COMMITTEE: Galicki stated he would address an ordinance relative to the contract for the Road Program later in the meeting.

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Schloss reported the Building Department Report had been distributed to Council. May was not a busy month for monies coming into the department, although Building Department staff appeared to be busy.

Four to five resumes of qualified individuals were received for the position of Part-time Building Inspector. Schloss anticipated deciding on a recommendation within several weeks.

POLICE CHIEF: The Chief submitted a month end report and spoke about community events which included the 3rd Grade Seatbelt Program, events at Chagrin Falls High School, Bike to School, and the Cops and Kids Fishing Event, which had 170 participants

Porter noted that the Chief's report identified a heroin overdose in which the officers revived the victim with Narcan as well as an incident involving a person threatening self-injury. Porter commented that the drug epidemic appears to be everywhere.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Galicki stated that the Safety Committee had met and that the minutes were included with the Chief's report.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE: Galicki had nothing to report.

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE: On June 3, 2019, the Park Committee met and discussed the Fall Festival, which would take place September 15, 2019 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., Lolly the Trolly, Jim Aluni, the bubble performer, ponies, face painters. The Chagrin Valley Times was notified of the date of the event. The remaining groups that still required notification included Life Flight, the ice cream vendor, bouncy house, climbing wall, and volunteers from the high school. Carroll stated he would contact Life Flight, the Mayor would contact the ice cream vendor, and members of the Park Committee would handle the other vendors and volunteers.

Canton stated he asked for input on the windscreens for the pavilion but had not received a quote. He told the Park Committee that if this project were not completed this year, the committee would lose the funding.

Canton stated that June 18th and July 17, 2019 are the dates for the concerts in South Russell Village Park.

Canton stated that Council voted four to two at the May 13, 2019 Council meeting to evict the tenants in the rental house. Canton made a motion for Council to revisit and reverse the vote to evict the tenants. Porter seconded. Galicki asked on what grounds Canton was making this motion. Canton stated he had a difficult time evicting an 80-year-old woman who was lying in a hospital bed in the living room. Galicki asked if the Village was in the business of operating Section 8 housing or housing for people who did not pay their rent. Canton said he did not consider it Section 8 housing. He asked the Mayor whether the tenants had paid over \$50,000 in rent over the years, and the Mayor verified they had. Carroll asked how many times the Village had moved the rent due date to accommodate the tenant. Nairn stated that originally it was due the first of the month, then moved to the 15th, and now it was on the 22nd of the month. Canton asked the Mayor when he last spoke to the tenants. The Mayor stated it was Thursday, June 6, 2019, because the tenant looked for another rental, but it fell through. The Mayor stated he was to speak to the tenant after the Council meeting to let him know whether he would be able to stay in the house. Nairn asked if the mother was currently in the hospital. The Mayor stated she was not. Carroll asked the Chief about his impression of the conditions of the rental house. The Chief said the conditions were disturbing to Job and Family Service personnel. There were rodent issues, and an investigation was conducted relative to a domestic violence report, but no course of action was determined other than monitoring. Carroll asked if Job and Family Services assisted in finding the mother somewhere to go if they were to move out of the home, and the Chief acknowledged that if the Village were to terminate the rental agreement, she would qualify for respite and would be placed in a facility. Schloss questioned whether she would not be better off in a facility rather than where she is currently. Considering the conditions in the house, the Chief suggested she would be better off in a clean environment with professional care.

Carroll stated that based on what the Chief stated, he supported continuing the process because the mother would be placed in better living conditions and added that there had already been a domestic claim against her son and while no action was taken, it was still an issue. Additionally, the tenants had been consistently late with the rent. He disagreed with the Village being in the rental business. Carroll expressed appreciation for Canton's concern, but his belief was that if the mother could be placed in a better living arrangement, the process should continue.

Canton asked if the house had been appraised and the Mayor stated it had a couple of years ago and was about \$180,000. Canton asked if the tenants were given the opportunity to buy the house. The Mayor stated at one time it was discussed. Galicki reminded Canton that the process did not allow Council to offer the property to the tenants. The process as described in the Ohio Revised Code, which the Solicitor had articulated at the previous Council meeting, would entail opening the property for competitive bid if Council elected to put it on the market. Galicki suggested that there might be more inclination by Council to retain the property, but that the Village should not be involved in the rental business. He reiterated that the issue at hand was going forward with terminating the lease on the tenant. Porter stated that this was incorrect, that the Village could exercise its home rule powers as the Solicitor noted in her email to Council about selling the property rather than following the Ohio Revised Code. He thought the best thing to do, however, was to advertise and bid it. Porter added that he would have difficulty throwing out an 80-year-old woman. Carroll noted she would be "thrown out" into a respite care facility, which would provide her better care.

The Mayor stated that the Village purchased the house in 2004 for \$200,000. It had been a rental for 15 years. The present renters had lived there since 2016 and paid rent of \$1,250 per month, totaling \$50,000 over a 42-month period. They had also paid \$250 in late fees for five late rent payments. Additionally, the renter failed to pay the February 2019 rent. The Mayor asked Council why they wanted to throw out a 74-year-old bedridden widow and her caretaker son and said there was no hurry. Carroll pointed out that there was a claim of domestic abuse and poor living conditions. The Mayor asked rhetorically if the son was still in the home taking care of the "old lady" at night and on the weekends. Nairn asked how Council really could know the kind of care the woman was receiving from her son. Nairn advised that the woman obviously felt threatened at some point prompting her to make a complaint. The Mayor stated that this happened one time. Carroll stated it was one time too many. The Mayor stated the mother and son stayed in the house that night, and continue to live there, and the son had been looking for another place to live. He stated it was the son's job to take care of his mother at night and on weekends.

The Mayor added that the Village intimidated a woman who was receiving chemotherapy last year to move her recreational vehicle because there was moss on the side of the house. He added that the moss was still there and that one of his students came to the Village a year ago to complain about the RV and the RV was moved. According to the Mayor, the Village hassled Dave Buckey, a man with braces on his legs, to clean his front yard, and now Council planned to evict a 74-year-old lady. The Mayor stated this was not the kind of leadership the community expected. The Village made \$4,000 a year on the house. He stated that Council was going to take a positive situation and turn it into a negative situation. Carroll stated that the Mayor had taken a positive situation and turned it into a negative situation. Council had been discussing the

issue of late rent for months and had made concessions. Carroll added that this was in combination with domestic issues, involvement by Geauga County Job and Family Service, and poor living conditions. Carroll stated that Council owed it to the residents to do what is right for all the residents and not to expose the Village to liability and potentially ignore something that could become a more serious issue. Carroll stated that the Mayor said the Village was kicking the woman out, when perhaps she was being given the opportunity to get out of a bad situation. Carroll stated it was wrong that the Mayor was framing the issue as Council throwing people out on the street and it offended him.

Canton said the bottom line was that the tenants were being evicted for not paying the rent and not because of how they were treating each other in the house. Nairn stated she did not agree with Canton's statement. Canton stated it was always a money situation. He added that no one wanted someone to be abused, but that was not the reason they were being evicted. The Mayor stated the tenant had been late five times. Canton asked why Council did not wait until Christmas Eve to evict them to make it really hurt.

Schloss pointed out that the Village could be held responsible if there were to be another incident between the son and his mother. Porter stated that the Village was the landlord, and the Mayor stated that if there were a domestic situation, the Village would not take action. Schloss added that he understood the house was a pigsty. The Mayor stated it was not. He suggested Council walk through the house the following morning. He added that he and Dave Hocevar were in the house the past week. The Mayor stated that when the woman became disabled, the tenant added a ramp and paid for it. Roll call vote – ayes, Canton and Porter. Nays, Galicki, Carroll, Nairn, Schloss. Motion failed.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Carroll had no report.

ORDINANCES: Nairn introduced a resolution requesting Advance of Taxes from the County Auditor. Nairn make a motion to waive further readings and declare an emergency. Porter seconded. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Nairn made a motion to adopt, seconded by Porter. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **RES 2019-30.**

Galicki introduced an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into an agreement with Specialized Construction, Inc. to perform the 2019 Village Road Program in the amount of \$345,249 and declaring an emergency. Galicki made a motion to waive further readings. Seconded by Carroll. Schloss recused himself due to association with firms involved in the bid. Roll call – ayes, Canton, Carroll, Galicki, Nairn and Porter. Motion carried. Galicki made a motion to adopt, seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, Canton, Carroll, Galicki, Nairn and Porter. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-31**

Nairn introduced an ordinance amending the 2019 Annual Appropriations increasing the General Fund expenses \$45,000, Building Fund expenses decreasing salary and benefits \$15,000 and increasing inspection services \$15,000, increasing Fiduciary Fund expenses \$25,000, increasing Natureworks Playground expenses \$6,900, and increasing Income Tax Fund transfers \$45,000, and declaring an emergency. Nairn made a motion to waive further readings. Seconded by

Porter. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Nairn made a motion to adopt, seconded by Porter. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-32**

Nairn introduced an ordinance transferring \$420,000 from the Income Tax Fund to the General Fund \$100,000, Safety Fund \$250,000 and Operating Fund \$70,000, declaring an emergency. Nairn made a motion to waive readings. Porter seconded. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Nairn made a motion to adopt. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-33**

Nairn introduced an ordinance transferring \$45,000 from the Income Tax Fund to the General Fund, declaring an emergency. Nairn made a motion to waive further readings, seconded by Porter. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Nairn made a motion to adopt, seconded by Porter. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-34**

Galicki introduced an ordinance amending Appendix D – Job Descriptions of the Village Employee Handbook, and declaring an emergency. Galicki made a motion to waive further readings. Carroll seconded. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Galicki made a motion to adopt, seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-35**

Galicki introduced an ordinance amending section 1444.08 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of South Russell, and declaring an emergency. Galicki made a motion to waive further readings. Seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Galicki made a motion to adopt, seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-36**

Galicki introduced an ordinance amending Section 618.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of South Russell, and declaring an emergency. Galicki made a motion to waive further readings. Seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Galicki made a motion to adopt, seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-37**

Galicki introduced an ordinance amending Section 648.05 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of South Russell, and declaring an emergency. Galicki made a motion to waive further readings.

Seconded by Nairn. Porter asked if the Village was going to prevent construction activities before 7:00 a.m. The Chief explained that this had not changed from the original ordinance, and that it was in Section B that was added. Porter asked if this would impact the Road Program and the Engineer said it would not. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Galicki made a motion to adopt, seconded by Nairn. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2019-38**

BILLS LIST: Nairn made a motion to ratify the May 15, 2019 Bills List in the amount of \$60,622.61, May 21, 2019 Bills List in the amount of \$1,566.71, the May 30, 2019 Bills List in the amount of \$39,735.20, the June 4, 2019 Bills List in the amount of \$2,000.00, and approve the June 14, 2019 Bills List in the amount of \$59,718.05, seconded by Porter. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

NEW OTHER: Nairn, Porter, Canton, Carroll had no new business.

Galicki addressed an item from the Mayor's Report distributed to Council regarding the request for the HR Committee to remove themselves from the search for the Part-time Building/Zoning Inspector. The Mayor was concerned that the committees were becoming muddled and thought the Building Committee should take care of hiring the individual. Porter agreed. Galicki questioned the function then of the HR Committee, which he believed included hiring, firing, and personnel issues. The Mayor stated he was just going on tradition. Carroll referred to the Village's Employee Handbook which contains the protocol and was adopted by ordinance. The Fiscal Officer explained that it was either the HR Committee or the Committee that conducted the function, and Carroll said that all of Council should have the ability to weigh in on the choice. Porter stated that the Mayor would appoint the individual based on the committee's recommendation to Council. The Solicitor reviewed the process that was listed in the Employee Handbook and stated that according to the Handbook, the Department Head would narrow the candidates to bring to the Mayor and HR or the department's associated committee. Porter indicated that there was no Department Head in this case so it should be the committee. Galicki and Carroll indicated that a better description of the function of the committees would be helpful.

Schloss reported that the Engineering Search Committee received six proposals and the committee narrowed the selection to three firms. On June 25, 2019, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. the Mayor, Schloss, Canton, and Nairn would be interviewing the three principals of the firms. A decision would be made and then brought to Council for approval. The selected firm would then attend this meeting. Carroll asked if the committee would be comfortable allowing other members of Council to attend the selection process, and Schloss said this would be welcome.

The Mayor asked Council to address the changes to the ordinance concerning the parking of recreational vehicles in the Village. Carroll explained that Council was in the preliminary stages of discussing it and added that he shared some of the residents' concerns and wanted to find a balance. He added that various neighborhoods already had specifications about the parking of recreational vehicles in their bylaws. The Mayor asked if Council would be discussing the matter at the July 8 Council meeting. Schloss stated the Building Department would like to meet with Hocevar and the Solicitor to develop an equitable plan. Schloss stated it would be discussed at the July 8th meeting and Porter added that there would be three readings, meaning it would not be adopted until September 2019.

Carroll made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition, seconded by Canton. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried.

Council was out of Executive Session at 9:19 p.m.

Porter stated that Hocevar was willing to continue on a month-to-month basis with the Village Building Department. Nairn clarified that it was a verbal contract, and Schloss stated Hocevar was willing to sign a month-to-month contract. Nairn and Carroll concurred that this should be done. Porter asked why they would want this when they did not require it of the Engineer. He did not see any value to the Village. The Solicitor thought either a verbal or written agreement was acceptable. The Mayor suggested that Council prepare something for the July 8th meeting. Galicki added that the Village could be ready to hire a new Building Inspector by that time.

Porter stated a month-to-month agreement was fine with him and added that Hocevar was not willing to commit to staying to the end of the year.

ADJOURNMENT: Being that there was no further business before Council, Porter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carroll. Voice vote - ayes, all. Motion carried.



William G. Koons, Mayor



Danielle Romanowski, Fiscal Officer

Prepared by: Leslie Galicki