

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING VIA ZOOM  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021 – 7:30 P.M.  
MAYOR WILLIAM G. KOONS PRESIDING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Berger, Canton, Carroll, Galicki, Nairn, Porter

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

**VISITORS:** mjbloc, Bruce Hendricks, Greg Heilman, Laura Sprungle

The Mayor called the Regular Council meeting conducted via the teleconference service Zoom to order. Fiscal Officer read the roll. Carroll made a motion to approve the January 25, 2021 Council minutes, seconded by Nairn. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried. Nairn made a motion to approve the February 1, 2021 Special Council meeting minutes, seconded by Canton. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Last week, the Mayor met with the Department Heads and discussed the four most recent severe storms over the past year. Specifically, the issue of power outages was addressed. Some residents lose water and heat during the outages. They were going to look at everything from the use of Gurney Elementary School and the eblast system. Also being considered is a citizens’ emergency response team. The Mayor thought the issue of communication between the residents and Village during major events needed to be addressed.

**FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:** The Fiscal Officer distributed her monthly report. She explained that her report reflected the payment of \$157 to the County Auditor’s Office for the tax balance on the old rental property. However, she subsequently found out that the tax was instead owed for the South Russell Village Park and not the former rental property which had received its tax-exempt status. The Fiscal Officer contacted the Auditor’s Office and determined that because of the property reappraisals that were done the previous year, the Village would have to pay tax on the park property because of the pavilion. She advised that she would complete an application to the State to make the property tax exempt. The Fiscal Officer explained that it is a lengthy process but hoped it would be tax exempt by the end of the year. The Village should then receive a refund of the \$157 paid in property taxes.

The Mayor stated that the previous week there was an article in the paper about the County Commissioners meeting where residents from South Russell questioned how their taxes increased when the school district said there would be no tax increase. The Mayor stated it was because of the reappraisals that occurred in 2020 and not because of the School Levy. The Mayor added that the Village gets about \$.09 on every tax dollar.

**FISCAL AUDITOR:** The Fiscal Auditor distributed his report for the month ending January 31, 2021. The fund balances reflected on his report were arrived at independently and matched those of the Fiscal Officer to the penny. The total of all funds at the end of January was a little over \$3.1 million. The balances decreased by \$139,000 during January. Key sources of revenue included business registrations with the Building Department, Cemetery fees, an advance of Real Estate Tax, and Income Tax receipts. The Fiscal Auditor explained that on his report, he shows the figures as net and as a result they look different than the gross numbers provided in the budget by the Fiscal Officer. The Village expects to end the year with a deficit of \$523,000, which matches the Fiscal Officer's.

Nairn was pleased with the volume of pre-need sale of Cemetery plots.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Berger submitted Finance Committee minutes from the meeting of February 2, 2021. The minutes were submitted in two parts because he recused himself from the second part of the meeting. Regarding goals for five-year plans, Berger asked that the committees submit the plans by February 19th to the Finance Committee so that they could create a five-year projection of the goals to present to Council.

During the Finance Committee meeting, the Fiscal Auditor and Fiscal Officer raised the issue of Ordinance 2016-30, which was a five-year commitment designating public disposition of public monies. Specifically, it addressed with which institutions the Village could put its public monies. The ordinance has to be reviewed / renewed in 2021.

Carroll indicated that with part of the CARES Act funding, the Village was supposed to purchase a Fit Tester. The Fit Tester was not shipped by the end of the year, so the Fiscal Officer took those funds and put them into salary benefits, which was an allowable action. Carroll suspected it would be necessary to reallocate those funds towards the Fit Tester. He would address the matter and coordinate with the Fiscal Office.

Carroll addressed the second half of the February 2nd Finance Committee meeting, which focused on the Whitetail proposal for the 319 grant. The residents are asking for \$18,000 for access to the property. Discussion included determining how they came up with this amount. Carroll stated that some of Council did not know about the request officially, although they heard about the request in January. It became official when the Mayor presented it to the committee. The Finance Committee had a second meeting on February 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with Manor Brook representatives to figure out the justification for this amount. The minutes of this meeting were distributed to Council. There were Manor Brook representatives and members of Council who were involved with the meeting. Summarizing, Carroll explained that \$10,000 of the \$18,000 was requested because of tree work that had been done. This matter was discussed by Council at the end of 2018 and involved trees that were on the borderline of the right of way and the residents wanted them reinstalled. Carroll said the Village has no tree program. It would remove trees that were dead or a danger in the public right of way, but the Village does not replant the trees. It appeared Manor Brook took care of the tree replacement. Part of the \$10,000 was for this previous tree work. The \$8,000 was for legal costs and a fee Whitetail paid Thomas and Thomas for the property needed for the project easement. At the end of 2019,

Council was advised that there would be no additional costs and the question was posed to Council as to why they would get involved with this matter because it was a private property issue between Manor Brook or Whitetail and Thomas and Thomas. It was also expressed to Council that the Village would probably be given access for free. Carroll asked the question about additional costs during the course of 2020 and as recently as January of 2021. He was told by the Mayor and other Councilmen that there would be no additional fees.

The current President of the Whitetail Homeowners Association (HOA) expressed his concern in trying to recoup some of the costs for the property transfer. There was discussion about the Village having had the ability to obtain an easement on those parcels independently and they did not have to be transferred at all. It was more of an issue between the Manor Brook/Whitetail HOAs and Thomas and Thomas. It appeared the community was stuck on the \$8,000 mark. The Village just needs an easement, and most easements often range from \$1 to \$100. \$8,000 was out of the ordinary. In the meeting, Carroll expressed his consternation at having this issue thrown at the Village at the eleventh hour, particularly because it had been expressed that there would be no fee. Carroll explained, however, that it appeared the Whitetail HOA was operating on another premise, that they would not incur any fees. Porter concurred. Carroll stated that there were misunderstandings on the part of the Committee and Council. He felt badly for the Manor Brook/Whitetail group because the property transfer was buggered up. There are conflicts, and they recognized this within the different associations, their law firm, and those involved. It is a very unfortunate circumstance for the Village as well because of the pending project.

Carroll stated it should be known that this was not the only way the Village could handle stormwater issues. This was one that seemed attractive, but there were other methods that could be less costly. If the grant were to expire and the Village elected to still do the project and Whitetail was so inclined to allow it, it could still be done but it would be at the full cost. He did not see the current issue as a deal killer, but it was something Council would need to decide as far as the amount to counter. It was technically \$18,000, but in reality, it was \$8,000. Carroll advised that during the meeting, Porter asked the participants if they would consider taking less than \$8,000, and they did not say no. They did indicate that they wanted to see the project go through, and the Village needed to be a good steward to the residents. He acknowledged the project would help with the stormwater issue but could not definitively say how much. The Village needed to consider a counteroffer.

Carroll asked if the matter should be addressed openly or in Executive Session and the Solicitor stated that it would be acceptable to do it in Executive Session. She explained it would be to discuss and consider the purchase of property. The disclosure of the confidential information would give an unfair competitive advantage to the HOA. Carroll explained that first and foremost, the Village needed an easement, and acknowledged the HOA still needed to figure out who owned the property. It was very complicated. Carroll stated that the Village was not inclined to spend \$8,000 of taxpayer dollars on an easement for this project when the vast majority of easements were between \$1 and \$100. Council needed to determine a fair easement fee to pay.

Carroll advised there was good discussion in the meeting. He said there were some definite concerns and conflicts that exist and through which the Village must navigate. As much as the Village wants the project to go through, Carroll wanted to make sure it was being done for the right reason, price, and with no legal ramifications on the part of the Village, the Whitetail group, and any of Council members. Carroll stated it was important to be smart.

Porter agreed and said he wanted an Executive Session whereby Council could discuss potential property acquisition and get input on what might be the best way to go whether it was an easement or something else. To the credit of the Whitetail Condo Association, they were in favor of moving forward with this project even though it did not directly benefit them, but rather the upstream residents in the Bel Meadows and other places. He found this encouraging and thought it was possible to find a way forward.

Carroll advised that Nairn and Galicki participated in the meeting as well and encouraged both Council and members of the public to read the minutes. Carroll stated they would find good information and get a better understanding of his position and the positions of some of Council on where it stands on the proposal from Whitetail.

Berger made a motion to acknowledge receipt and review of the February 8, 2021 Credit Card report and approve ACH transaction of \$1,038.93 to Wex Bank for Gulf Fleet gasoline, seconded by Carroll. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

Berger made a motion to acknowledge the correction of the year end cash balances decreasing the Income Tax cash balance \$100,908 and increasing the Village Hall Headwater Fund cash balance \$100,908, seconded by Carroll. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

Nairn addressed the minutes of the February 5, 2021 Finance Committee meeting. She stated that on page 8, it should be corrected that Councilmember Nairn did not want any stormwater problems instead of “wanting stormwater problems.” It should say that there was no one who wanted stormwater problems permanently corrected more than her. Carroll stated that the minutes would be amended and submitted. Nairn also indicated the adjournment time needed to be corrected.

Berger made a motion to approve the fund balances as presented by the Fiscal Auditor and Fiscal Officer which balanced to the penny, seconded by Carroll. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Mayor indicated that there were residents of Chagrin Lakes present at the meeting and asked if Berger had an update on the Chagrin Lakes request. Berger stated that in the Finance Committee meeting, it was discussed how the Village would go about financing a Chagrin Lakes project. The State Auditor was asked whether the Village could write a check directly for funding the dam project at Chagrin Lakes and then over time receive monies back from those residents. The answer was no. However, Berger explained that the State Auditor offered an option under Ohio Revised Code, Section 727.01. It was suggested that if the Village wanted to take over the dam project and get competitive bids, the Village could do this and then assess

those homeowners for repayment over 20 years. Berger said this was an interesting piece of information and an option.

The Mayor asked Berger if a special Finance Committee meeting could be held to deal with the COVID expenses past and possibly future. Within the next month, he wanted an update and asked that the Department Heads be present.

Carroll advised the next regular Finance Committee meeting would be in three weeks and suggested putting it on the agenda.

**SOLICITOR:** The Solicitor stated she had nothing to report.

**ENGINEER:** The Engineer stated that the Street Committee met January 29<sup>th</sup> and it was agreed that the committee would recommend paving both Bel Meadow and Chelsea Ct. as part of the 2021 Road Program. Because the Engineer was experiencing technical difficulties with Zoom, Carroll explained that the committee considered the Bel Meadows, Chelsea Ct., and the work that will be done in Lake Louise with the bridge. Those roads would be delayed until after the bridge work. The Street Committee hoped to forecast out a few years and potentially put this on the website. It would give the Village the ability to relay the information to the residents so they have an idea of when their street may or may not be done. The Road Program would be a little smaller. The following year it would be a bit more to do all the streets in Lake Louise. Porter concurred.

Carroll stated that the committee discussed some stormwater management issues, specifically Kensington Green and some other options moving forward.

Porter added that if the Bel Meadows are done and Chelsea Court, this would be a \$360,000 Road Program, which would be the normal Road Program amount. The project for 2021 would be maintaining roads, especially the Bel Meadows. The PCI's for the Bel Meadows was not as bad as the others. According to Porter, the higher ones were generally in Lake Louise, which would be impacted by the bridge reconstruction.

The Fiscal Officer relayed that the Engineer said he would be meeting with Dominion Gas about the Lake Louise Bridge on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Porter asked where the meeting would take place, and the Fiscal Officer did not know. She would ask the Engineer to contact the committee. Nairn stated she would be attending this meeting because of being on the Public Utilities Committee.

The Mayor stated that the meeting would be Monday, February 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and the Mayor would provide the link. He stated it would be with representatives from Lake Louise, Dominion, and the Engineer discussing the bridge and the new location for the gas line and how it would affect Lake Louise. Nairn stated that in some circles, the Mayor was considered a rockstar because he went up against the big utility giant and made them realize that this line must be moved. She thanked the Mayor for his efforts. The Mayor stated that the Engineer did a nice job.

**STREET COMMISSIONER:** The Street Commissioner submitted his monthly report. Porter asked the Street Commissioner about the salt supply and the Street Commissioner advised the Village was doing well. He just ordered 500 tons, and 100 tons were due the following day.

Carroll asked the Street Commissioner if he had received the box for the new truck, and the Street Commissioner explained that the truck was picked up today by Ford and it would be installed and back to the Village late tomorrow. Carroll verified this was the new truck purchased with CARES Act funds with the box, and the Street Commissioner stated it was. He said he would let Carroll know as soon as he got it back.

The Mayor asked the Street Commissioner to comment on a funeral held recently where it was four degrees, and the new scoop was used. The Street Commissioner said it went fabulously.

Carroll asked the Street Commissioner to look at the flag in front of Village Hall because it appeared to be ripped. The Street Commissioner said he would do so.

**STREET COMMITTEE:** Carroll stated that Street Committee business was addressed through the Engineer's report. Porter stated there would be a committee meeting at the end of the month. Carroll stated he would have the department's goals for the five-year plan identified and would contact the Street Commissioner about this the following week.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE:** Berger distributed the minutes of the February 4, 2021 Building Committee meeting. He advised that a phone call was planned with the Chairman of Planning Commission (PC) to discuss the results of the PC audit report and how they would work together to move forward.

Carroll noted that in the Building Committee minutes, pool covers were addressed. Carroll suggested the ordinance include fencings around all four sides, not counting the house as a side. Most drownings occur from the house to the pool and it is important to isolate the pool completely with some type of fence. He recommended it be a permanent fence. Carroll offered that if the committee needed his assistance, he would be able to provide insight on pool protection. Berger said he would be happy to get all the input he could get.

The Mayor stated that if the weather breaks, yellow caution tape would be put up behind the MC Art Studio. The owner is interested in putting up a play area with a fence and some mulch. They had discussed that this would be a good time to take a look at the property since the southeast corner of the second building sits on South Russell Village's property. The Mayor stated this would be a good time to get it squared away with the owner.

Carroll addressed the sign at the corner Bell Station. He asked for the status and was wondering if the permit had not been pulled to install it. Berger stated that the permit was not issued for the sign, and the matter will be going back to multiple committees to be reviewed. He realized it was already up. Berger said that it would go back through the process to get handled and sorted out.

**POLICE CHIEF:** The Chief submitted his month end report for January. The Chief addressed the leftover items from the Gov Deals Auction. He requested a vote by Council to dispose of the

items that did not sell. Porter asked what items did not sell, and the Chief stated the office chairs and old paper towel holders. The Solicitor clarified that the items that did not sell had no value, and the Chief agreed. Porter made a motion that the Mayor and Police Chief be permitted to dispose of property that did not sell on Gov Deals because it had no value to the Village, seconded Berger. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Chief stated that the Mayor and Safety Committee were involved in a presentation about License Plate Reader (LPR) cameras. The company would like to attend the next Council meeting to do a presentation. The cameras are being used in surrounding communities as an advanced license plate reader camera that can read the license plate as well as determine the make, model, and color of vehicles. It allows notification for the police of the presence of a suspect vehicle travelling through the community. He stated it was a good investigative tool and had been instrumental in solving cases. The Mayor asked that this presentation occur at the March 8, 2021 meeting.

Carroll stated that State Homeland Security grants could purchase these. Carroll suggested reaching out to the county Emergency Management Association (EMA) Director to see if it would be possible to get one through a grant. The Chief stated it would be an array of cameras at the entrances to the Village, and there would be a fee per camera per year. He was not sure if it would qualify for the grant but would look at it. The Chief stated it would be about \$15,000 per year to fully equip the Village and described it as a blanket of extra security.

Nairn referred to the Chief's report and said she was finding the number of fraudulent unemployment applications being submitted disturbing. She noted there were many reported from the Cleveland Clinic and asked the Chief to explain. The Chief stated that it was not only the Village residents. The common denominator was the Cleveland Clinic, both patients and employees. The Village also had fraudulent claims with some of its employees. It was happening a lot and often, and there was not much that could be done about it right now. Ohio Jobs and Family Services is investigating the matter, but the Chief concluded that there is a breach involving Cleveland Clinic. Carroll asked if a resident should file a report with the local police agency if a fraudulent claim is made. The Chief said it was not necessary because the Village was not the investigating jurisdiction. It would fall to the State. They could file an information report with the police. The Fiscal Officer added that she sent Council the email from the State Auditor's office with a link to where individuals should file.

Galicki asked the Chief when Council could expect to see the results of the investigation on the missing computer. The Chief stated that the detective provided him with the report. He would forward it to the Fiscal Officer.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE:** Porter stated the Safety Committee met February 4th, and the minutes would be forthcoming. Regarding the LPR cameras, Porter stressed that the data was kept for 30 days, which raised some privacy concerns. This could be discussed with the vendor to see if it could be reduced or enlarged. Additionally, the committee interviewed a candidate for the open Sergeant's position. The Chief and Mayor would eventually make a recommendation and appointment for Council's review.

Canton added that the LPR presentation was interesting and Council would enjoy it.

Carroll addressed replacement of the traffic light at Bell Rd. and Chillicothe Rd. and did not want it to fall through the cracks, whether it was handled by Safety Committee or Street Committee. He suggested getting definitive pricing on it so that they could discuss it with the Engineer.

**HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE:** Nairn stated that there will be a joint HR and Finance Committee meeting Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 a.m. in Village Hall to discuss salary tiers for all Village employees and the pay range for the new mechanic position. She reminded the Street Commissioner that he was to obtain some rates for mechanic's pay from surrounding communities and asked that it be forwarded to her prior to the meeting.

The Mayor asked Nairn if she participated in the Ohio Municipal League's Words that Hurt, Words that Help Webinar. Nairn said she did and thought it was good. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, Street Commissioner, and Police Chief also attended. The Mayor said it was pretty good.

**PROPERTIES COMMITTEE:** Galicki had nothing to report.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE:** Nairn reminded Council that the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) grant was received by the Village, which was money that could be put towards the light on Chillicothe Rd. and Bell Rd.

**PARK COMMITTEE:** Galicki had nothing to report.

The Mayor advised that it had been said that we have had some issues with transparency and about things that were said and not said and when were they said. He asked Council to consider if this were really an issue. He would suggest someone pass a motion to hire Thrasher, Dinsmore, and Dolan to do an audit or conference with the people involved. The Mayor identified 15 different people he knew had been involved in the whole Manor Brook situation. Maybe it was just a thought that we would have somebody from the outside, and it could not involve the Solicitor at this time, but we get somebody else, and he was just recommending Thrasher, Dinsmore, Dolan, to sit down with the people that have been involved in Manor Brook and hear what they have to say and when they had to say it to make sure we got everything out in the open. It does not do us good to have somebody bring up transparency if we have an issue. So, he thought Council could consider this. It would not have to be immediate, but it would just be something that deals with the whole Manor Brook Whitetail situation and maybe good to have an outside person take a look at it. It would cost money, but it would be a good idea, if this really is an issue, to have it looked at by an outside source.

Carroll explained that this would be the Ohio Ethics Commission issue. They look at compromises and such, and this is who should look at everything. The Mayor said he would encourage Carroll to pursue it if this is an issue. He stated that it does not do the Village good to have somebody mention it and have it hit the papers that transparency is an issue.



The Mayor asked for the Solicitor's assistance. He asked if it were correct that Berger and Canton should be dismissed from the ordinances and resolutions. The Solicitor stated that they should recuse themselves. She recommended going to the last two on the list first. The first six are the ones that deal with things that must be redone with the four Council members, Porter, Carroll, Naim, and Galicki. Berger and Canton need to recuse themselves from the first six. They can sit in, but there could be no discussion or deliberation. She explained they were all on first readings. None could be done by waiving of the readings since there were not five Council members to waive. The Solicitor also recommended setting two additional Special meetings for the first six ordinances. The four Council members eligible to vote must be present.

**BILLS LIST:** Berger made a motion to ratify the January 29, 2021 Bills List in the amount of \$50,098.24, seconded by Carroll. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.

#### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

Porter introduced an ordinance employing USI Midwest, LLC as insurance agent for the Village of South Russell and declaring an emergency. Porter made a motion to waive readings, seconded by Berger. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Porter made a motion to adopt, seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2021-08**

Porter introduced an ordinance authorizing the 2021 Property and Casualty Insurance with Public Entities Pool of Ohio and declaring an emergency. Porter made a motion to waive readings, seconded by Berger. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. Porter made a motion to adopt, seconded by Berger. Roll call – ayes, all. Motion carried. **ORD 2021-09**

Carroll asked for clarification from the Solicitor regarding the reason Council must redo the six ordinances. The Solicitor stated that the substance of each ordinance states that the reason the Village is vacating the previous ordinances is because it did not have the requisite number of eligible votes necessary for a majority. Carroll asked if this was because Berger and Canton voted on some of them. The Solicitor stated there were four that both voted on, but two from 2019 on which Canton voted. These needed to be redone.

The Mayor designated Council members to introduce the ordinances by seniority, Porter, Carroll, Naim, and Galicki. The Mayor asked the Solicitor if Berger and Canton could not participate at all, or could they read one of the ordinances. The Solicitor answered that they could not. The Mayor indicated that Porter would read the fifth one, and Carroll the sixth.

Porter introduced an ordinance vacating Ordinance No. 2019-69 and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Grant Agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the Manor Brook Headwater Stream Restoration Project retroactive to December 9, 2019 and authorizing all actions necessary to accept such grant for costs associated with such project retroactive to December 9, 2019.

Carroll introduced an ordinance vacating Ordinance No. 2019-73 and authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement on behalf of the Village of South Russell with Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc. for the administration of the 319(h) grant from the Ohio Environmental Protection

Agency to the Village of South Russell for the Manor Brook Headwater Stream restoration project effective retroactive to December 13, 2019.

Nairn introduced an ordinance vacating Ordinance No. 2020-09 adopted February 24, 2020 and certifying amendments of funds effectively retroactively to February 24, 2020.

Galicki introduced an ordinance vacating Ordinance No. 2020-10 and certifying transfer of funds effective retroactively to February 24, 2020.

Porter introduced an ordinance vacating Ordinance No. 2020-36 adopted July 13, 2020 and certifying amendments of funds effectively retroactively to July 13, 2020.

Carroll introduced an ordinance vacating ordinance No. 2020-37 and certifying transfer of funds effective retroactively to July 13, 2020.

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

Galicki asked what the plan was to return to in-person or hybrid meetings. He also noted that there was no consistency in any of the committee meetings. Some were by Zoom, some were not by Zoom. Some were not being offered for public access by Zoom and it seemed there was no consistent policy about the formats of the public meetings. It seemed like there should be. The Mayor stated that as far as public meetings in Village Hall, until everyone could be six feet apart and masked, he did not see himself sitting in a crowded Village Hall for a while. Galicki suggested that the Mayor could sit in a crowded Building Department for meetings but not a crowded Village Hall. The Mayor said correct. Carroll stated this made no sense. Village Hall is bigger than the Building Department, but Council members cannot meet there yet they can in the Building Department. Porter added that Safety Committee meetings had occurred in the Police Department conference room, but the meetings only consisted of three or four people and they were able to distance. Porter thought this was a good question for the Mayor because it was now possible to go out to restaurants until after 11:00 p.m. and the following week it might be possible to go out until 2:30 a.m. At some point, when would Council meet back in person? If the Governor issued an edict that stated everything is fine with going back to in person meetings, Council could still observe masks and social distancing. Carroll suggested at least offering the meetings as a hybrid because some agencies could not meet in person due to policy. Porter stated that Village Hall is equipped with the technology for this.

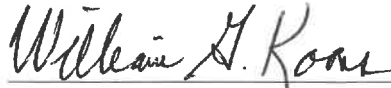
Galicki said that a lot of folks are very fond of using the example of what surrounding communities are doing. He offered that many of the surrounding communities including Bainbridge and others are meeting in person with social distancing. Porter stated that Bainbridge has three trustees and has a larger facility. Galicki advised that there are in person meetings in the Building Department and asked if participation of other community members is being precluded because of the size of this facility. Secondly, community members are not being allowed to meet in terms of watching it on Zoom. There are some inconsistent policies.

Porter made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. for the potential purchase of property for where the disclosure of the information could result in the competitive advantage to the owner of the property whose interest is inverse to the Village and general public 1.121.22 g2,

seconded by Carroll. Roll call – ayes, Galicki, Nairn, Porter, Carroll. Berger and Canton recused themselves.

Council left Executive Session at 9:20 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Being that there was no further business before Council, Carroll made a motion to adjourn at 9:22 p.m., seconded by Nairn. Voice vote – ayes, all. Motion carried.



William G. Koons, Mayor



Danielle Romanowski, Fiscal Officer

Prepared by Leslie Galicki