

**VILLAGE OF SOUTH LEBANON  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 3, 2020  
6:30 P.M.**

1. Mayor Smith opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge.

2. ATTENDANCE

Linda Allen – Present

Maryan Harrison - Present

Linda Burke – Present

Bill Madison – Present

Bryan Corcoran – Present

Rolin Spicer – Present

3. Mayor Smith said that Ronnie E. Jones passed away November 25, 2020 at the age of 74. A native of South Lebanon. Sergeant Major Ronnie E. Jones (retired). He served six (6) tours of duty during the Vietnam War. After his service during the war, he continued his service with the Marine Corps.

In recognition of his service to our Country, the Village will be adding his name to the USMC monument for the planned Veteran's Memorial in South Lebanon.

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5. AUTHORIZATION OF INVOICES

A motion to authorize the invoices for payment was made by Burke, seconded by Corcoran, all yeas.

6. RESOLUTION 2020-42 THIRD READING: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT WITH WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF AND WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR POLICE PROTECTION IN THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH LEBANON FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 2021, 2022, 2023, AND 2024

A motion to adopt Resolution 2020-42 was made by Burke, seconded by Allen, all yeas.

7. RESOLUTION 2020-43 THIRD READING: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WARREN COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

A motion to adopt Resolution 2020-43 was made by Burke, seconded by Corcoran, all yeas.

8. RESOLUTION 2020-44 THIRD READING: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WARREN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION 5-YEAR PLAN UPDATE

A motion to adopt Resolution 2020-44 was made by Burke, seconded by Allen, all yeas.

9. Mayor Smith reported that he and Administrator Haddix met with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) regarding the SR 48/Corwin Nixon Boulevard crosswalk project. A new concept drawing of the project was presented which add islands to the crosswalk. Mayor Smith stated that ODOT prefers the new concept. Administrator Haddix said that the new plan uses standard size traffic light mast arms and poles. The original concept included longer than 70-foot mast arms, which are costly to replace if damaged due to a traffic accident. Mayor Smith stated that the budget will hopefully remain the same with the new design. Haddix said the new design includes an island which shrinks the length of crosswalk across SR 48. Allen asked that the timing of traffic light coming from Speedway and turning left on SR 48 be looked at because only a car and a half can get through a light cycle. Mayor Smith stated that this project will take care of that. Corcoran asked Mayor Smith if ODOT provided any insight into other traffic pattern issues on SR 48. Mayor Smith asked Haddix if these traffic lights have telemetry for traffic patterns. Haddix said that he believes so.
10. Solicitor Revelson stated that his contract with the Village is up in January and he has made the decision to not come back after it ends. The night meetings with two small children are difficult along with his other obligations. Solicitor Revelson said this has been a great experience. Solicitor Revelson said that he has an individual in mind that he feels would be a good fit for the Village and shared this information with staff here and they met with him. Solicitor Revelson said that the Solicitor position is appointed by Council. Solicitor Revelson stated that Mayor Smith and others would like the Personnel Committee to meet with him. His name is Andrew Meier and I know that you will be impressed with his credentials. His office is in Springboro, a three-member firm. Solicitor Revelson stated that when he made the decision to not return this was the first individual that he thought of. If this is the decision that Council makes, Solicitor Revelson said that he will help with the transition. Allen wished Solicitor Revelson well. Harrison said to Solicitor Revelson that he will be missed. Mayor Smith said the announcement brings the mood down, but he is happy that Solicitor Revelson will still be in the area and wants him to come to next year's Christmas party.
11. Haddix reported that the CARES Act projects are currently underway. The wiring for the new audio-visual equipment started today and it should be wrapped up in the next couple of days.

The public works employees are currently installing the Holiday banners.

There will be one final leaf collection run with our leaf vacuum equipment.

Sewer line and sewer lift station repairs are currently being worked on.

Last night, the South Lebanon Planning Commission approved the final phase of Wynstead Subdivision and they approved the plat for the Dean Evans property. The final development plan for River Creek Lofts was also approved last night.

GE Credit Union has a new contractor so they will be moving forward so you will see the property being cleaned up.

Chipotle will be connecting to our water and sewer system next week. They are trying to get the underground and paving done quickly.

Haddix mentioned that our internet phone system with Cincinnati Bell went down today in case anyone was trying to reach our administrative offices. This is the second time that this has happened, and Cincinnati Bell is trying to resolve the issue as it is affecting an entire block of their internet phone subscribers. This did not affect our internet, so we could still be reached by email.

12. Burke thanked Solicitor Revelson for all his good advice, leadership, and she will miss him.

Burke wanted to make everyone aware that a Bobcat was seen in Rivers Edge. The Bobcat moved along once the Sheriff arrived but wanted to make people aware that they are in our area.

13. Harrison told Solicitor Revelson that she will miss him.

Harrison asked Mayor Smith if the Village could offer a certificate for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place for holiday home decorating. Mayor Smith if a committee picks the winners then we could issue the certificates.

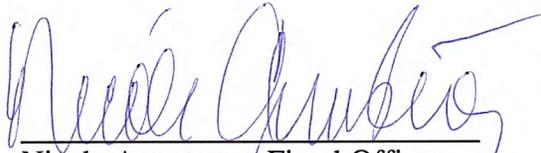
14. Burke mentioned that the senior donation program in response to the need caused by Covid-19 is still underway. We are asking people to donate three personal care items.

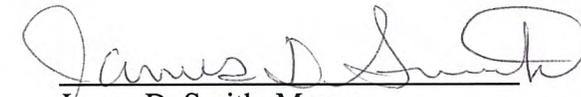
15. Mayor Smith asked for a motion to go into executive session. Solicitor Revelson stated in reference to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 121.22(G)(2). "To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property in accordance with section 505.10 of the Revised Code, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest".

A motion to enter executive session at 7:07 p.m. was made by Allen, seconded by Burke, all yeas.

A motion to return at 7:33 p.m. from executive session was made by Burke, seconded by Allen, all yeas.

16. Mayor Smith asked Council to dispense with the Workshop Meeting tonight if there are no objections. No objection by Council.
17. Mayor Smith asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. A motion was made by Burke, seconded by Allen, all yeas.

  
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Nicole Armstrong, Fiscal Officer

  
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James D. Smith, Mayor