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PROCEEDINGS

Lordstown Village Council Regular Meeting

(WHEREAS, the regular meeting before the Lordstown Village Council commenced on Monday, August 19, 2019, at 6:05 p.m. and proceedings were as follows:)

(Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

MAYOR HILL: Bill, if we could have roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mayor Hill?
MAYOR HILL: Present.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Present.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Present.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Here.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Present.
MR. BLANK: Clerk Blank, present.
Treasurer, George Ebling?
MR. EBLING: Here.
MR. BLANK: Solicitor Paul Dutton?
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Present.
MR. BLANK: Police Chief Brent Milhoan?
CHIEF MILHOAN: Present.
MR. BLANK: Fire Chief Travis Eastham?
CHIEF EASTHAM: Present.
MR. BLANK: Planning and Zoning, Economic Development, Kellie Bordner?
MS. BORDNER: Present.
MR. BLANK: Parks, Buildings, Grounds, Street Commissioner, Dale Grimm?
MR. GRIMM: Present.
MR. BLANK: Recreation, Marty Gibson?
MRS. GIBSON: Here.
MR. BLANK: Board of Public Affairs?
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)
Engineer, Chris Kogelnik?
MR. KOGELNIK: Present.
MAYOR HILL: I entertain a motion for adoption of the agenda.
MRS. JONES: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Jones. Second?
MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second Sheely. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

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Motion carried.
I entertain a motion for disposal of the minutes of the regular meeting held June 17, 2019.

MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Sheely.
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Liming. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Payment of the bills. The first page, Number 4, I'll entertain a motion to have those bills paid.

MR. RADTKA: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Radtka. Second?
MR. REIDER: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Reider. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Page 5, BPA's list of bills. I'll entertain a motion to accept those for payment.

MR. LIMING: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Liming. Second?
MR. BOND: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second Bond. Comments?
MR. RADTKA: Yes, Mr. Mayor. I'll be abstaining. I got a refund from the Water Department, so I'm abstaining.
MAYOR HILL: All in favor?
MRS. JONES: Aye.
MR. REIDER: Aye.
MR. BOND: Aye.
MR. SHEELY: Aye.
MR. LIMING: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Abstain?
MR. RADTKA: Abstain.

(VOTE: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 1, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: Motion carries to pay those bills.
Page 6. I'll entertain a motion to have these bills submitted.
MRS. JONES: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Jones. Second?

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MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Sheely.
MR. REIDER: Mr. Mayor, I'll be abstaining from that because I have a deposit return on that.
MAYOR HILL: Okay. All in favor?
MRS. JONES: Aye.
MR. RADTKA: Aye.
MR. LIMING: Aye.
MR. BOND: Aye.
MR. SHEELY: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Abstain?
MR. REIDER: Abstain.

(VOTE: 5, AYE; 0, NAY; 1, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: Motion carried for that list of bills.
Page 7. I'll entertain a motion to pay those bills.
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MR. RADTKA: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Liming; second by Radtka. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MR. SHEELY: Motion carried.
Next, July 16, BPA bills, page 8. Motion to accept?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Sheely; second Bond. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MR. RADTKA: Motion carried.
Page 9. I'll entertain a motion to accept.
MAYOR HILL: So moved.
MR. REIDER: Moved by Radtka. Second?
MAYOR HILL: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Reider. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

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Motion carried.
Page 10. I'll entertain a motion.
MR. REIDER: So moved, Mr. Mayor.
MRS. JONES: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Reider; second by Jones. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Page 11. I'll entertain a motion.
MR. BOND: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Sheely?
MR. BOND: Bond.
MAYOR HILL: Bond. Second?
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Liming. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
This is what happens, folks, when you only have meetings every other month.
(Laughter.)
MAYOR HILL: I'll entertain a motion for the bills on page 12.
MRS. JONES: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Jones. Second?
MR. RADTKA: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Radtka. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Page 13. I'll entertain a motion.
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MR. BOND: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Liming; second by Bond. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

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(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Mayor's report. I just have three appointments that I'm going to recommend to Council this evening. That's it for the Mayor's report.
Is there a Clerk's report?
MR. BLANK: No report, Mayor.
MAYOR HILL: Solicitor's report?
SOLICITOR DUTTON: No report.
MAYOR HILL: Treasurer's report?
MR. EBLING: No report.
MAYOR HILL: No one is here from the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs. Village Engineer's report?
MR. KOGELNIK: Yes, Mayor. I'd like to just apprise the Council of the status of construction at the TJX site. The contractor has relocated the water main install. He doesn't have the connections at the two terminal points yet. He was planning to do the bore injection crossing of the waterline underneath Ellsworth Bailey today, but I believe he's run into a conflict, potentially, in the median where the existing gas line is. He's working to resolve that from what I understand.
We've maintained a good communication with Darren Biggs from the Water and Sewer Department throughout the construction. So, that's going good.
We have informed the contractor he needs to do a little bit better job with the erosion and sanitation control and storm water management aspect of the project so that silt doesn't find its way into the receiving stream. So, he's made some adjustments there and we're going to be monitoring that. So, aside from that, we're just anticipating his next courses of action, which are going to be the construction of the sanitary sewer relocation along Hallock-Young Road. And I'll be attending the BPA meeting tomorrow, which the major focus of the meeting is going to be TJX.
Any questions?
MAYOR HILL: Questions for Chris?
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Why isn't the meter manhole legislation on the agenda tonight? Or you don't know?
MR. KOGELNIK: I don't know the answer to that question.
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Bill?
MR. BLANK: I'm still waiting for signatures—
SOLICITOR DUTTON: No. You pass it, then you sign it.
MR. BLANK: The BPA has to pass it first—
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Oh, they haven't passed it.
MR. BLANK: No.
MR. KOGELNIK: The BPA's intention was to meet last week and have everything ready for Council's meeting tonight, but the documents were not in their hands with which to have a meeting. So, their first available meeting is tomorrow at 4 p.m.
SOLICITOR DUTTON: They had the documents on Thursday of last week.
MS. BORDNER: Friday.
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Was it Friday?
MS. BORDNER: Yes, sir.
MR. KOGELNIK: And the packets go to Council on Thursday, correct?

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MAYOR HILL: Friday.
MR. RADTKA: Friday.
MR. BLANK: Anyway, they didn't pass theirs is why we didn't have it—
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Okay.
MR. KOGELNIK: Thank you.
MAYOR HILL: Special reports. Police Chief Milhoan?
CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes, Mr. Mayor. I've submitted my monthly report for July. I'll answer any questions if you have any.
MAYOR HILL: Questions for Brent.
CHIEF MILHOAN: I also would ask for your approval on two appointments this evening. One is for a part-time dispatcher position. As you know, we are in need of dispatchers. Kenny Schick, who is sitting in the third row in the red shirt on the other side of the room, may look familiar to you. He is the retired Fire Chief from Warren Township. Prior to working at the Warren Township Fire Department, he worked at the Trumbull County 911 Center as a supervisor. His desire now is to return to dispatching part time. So, I'd ask for his appointment this evening. His would be effective immediately so we can get him started in the training. The second appointment is to replace Mark Reese. And I provided all of you a letter about Mark's retirement, which is August 31. Mark has eight years full time with us, many more years part time. He had 23 years full time with Warren Township. And his desire is to retire. I would assume, Solicitor Dutton, we need to officially remove him. Is that correct?
SOLICITOR DUTTON: Remove his commission.
CHIEF MILHOAN: Correct. We've asked Mark if he would like to stay on as an auxiliary officer. He has to separate service for a certain amount of days, per his retirement. He's going to let us know if that's his desire in the future. Hopefully, it will be. I've also provided all of you a letter explaining that we advertised for the filling of the position that Mark will vacate. We did receive seven applications/letters of interest. We interviewed five of those candidates. And I'm asking that you appoint Brett Blank to fill that position. Brett has lived in the Village of Lordstown his entire life. He graduated from Lordstown High School in 2010. And he currently works full time for the Street Department and part time for the Fire Department. He's been an auxiliary officer with our department since June of 2016 and has worked in excess of 2,500 hours. I believe that Brett has always displayed professionalism, integrity, honesty and a positive work ethic. So, I'd ask that you appoint Brett to fill that position with an effective date of September 1.
MAYOR HILL: Any questions for Brent?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, Fire Chief Eastham?
CHIEF EASTHAM: No report tonight.
MAYOR HILL: Questions for Travis?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Planning and Zoning Administrator and Director of Economic Development, Kellie?
MS. BORDNER: No report, Mayor.
MAYOR HILL: Questions for Kellie?

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(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Parks, Grounds, Buildings, Street Superintendent, Mr. Grimm?

MR. GRIMM: Just two things tonight, Mr. Mayor. First being, every three years—we've been doing this for six years now—the state does our bridge inspections now free of charge. They're a three-year contract, which doesn't cost us anything. So, I got an email today. We need to pass a Resolution or an Ordinance—I'd imagine a Resolution—hopefully, at our next Council meeting. So, just be aware that is something that's going to be coming up.

And, also, I asked Mr. Bond tonight to advertise for employment seeing as how Mr. Blank is going to the Police Department. We're down two employees already. That will be my third one that I'm down, and I have a retiree coming January 31st. So, I'd like to get a couple positions filled back in.

MAYOR HILL: Any questions for Dale?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Recreation, Marty?

MRS. GIBSON: No report.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Marty?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Bill, do we have any correspondence this evening?

MR. BLANK: No correspondence, Mayor.

MAYOR HILL: Public remarks. If you'd like to make a public remark, after I acknowledge you, please come to the microphone and give your name and address so we can get it recorded correctly.

Public remarks? Larry?

MR. TURA: I just wanted to tell you—

MAYOR HILL: You have to come to the microphone, Larry, and give your name and address. We'll blame it on Sharon.

MR. TURA: Larry Tura, 6840 Tod Avenue, Lordstown. I just wanted to touch base with you guys in regards to the turbines because I've gotten a couple phone calls from Bill Blank about getting them down. I've sent, actually, a couple correspondence so he could be in the loop that apparently someone at Tri County had passed away, so they're telling me soon. But I called them—in fact, he may be calling right now. I just went upstairs and called him about trying to get this scheduled.

I was trying to do it on a Friday afternoon so that I could use some employees and not be on overtime to help get these out of here. And I talked to Dale about doing it during the week sometime just to expedite it and get things moving. I never corresponded with Dale about that because I've never gotten a date from Tri County Tower. So, I'm not exactly sure how—unless I go start looking for a fourth tower person to take these towers down.

But the price started off at \$3,000 and now it's in excess of \$5,000. So, I may have to go look somewhere else or—I'm not sure what's the next thing to do if you don't want to wait.

MAYOR HILL: Okay. Any questions?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Thank you, Larry.

MR. TURA: Sure.

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MAYOR HILL: Public remarks. Mark?
MR. MCGRAIL: Mark McGrail, 3656 Goldner Lane, Lordstown, Ohio. I wanted to just make a couple of comments about the Resolution with regards to the tax abatement. Although I'm not a fan of tax abatements in general, I do offer my support for this piece of legislation. Primarily because I think, if nothing else, it will begin a long needed discussion about tax abatements and their values in a village of our size, which, for the most part, in my opinion, is they have very little value.
The other thing, too, is revenue is down to the village due to, mainly, the GM Plant and associated businesses to the point I think it's 66 percent down. I'm not sure if that's correct. And I don't see that changing soon. I just don't see where you can keep giving away tax money when the village needs the money. So, I would ask all of you to support the Resolution tonight.

MAYOR HILL: Any other public remarks?
(NO RESPONSE.)
Council remarks?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

MR. RADTKA: Hearing none, committee reports. Finance, Mr. Radtka?
Yes, Mr. Mayor. I'd just like to have Council's support on these pieces of legislation tonight.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Ron?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Parks, Buildings, Grounds, General Improvements, Streets and Sidewalks, Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: No report this evening, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Bob?
MRS. JONES: Yes, Bob. Last year we talked about doing a sale—an auction or a sale——

MR. BOND: Yes.
MRS. JONES: —of some things that we had down at the Kunkel building. And I wondered if any department heads have other things or if we should go ahead with that or what the deal is on that.

MR. BOND: I was going to bring that up under new business, but we can talk about it now. Yeah, I think that's something we need to be aware of. It doesn't make sense to have things laying around and things in your way and stuff. Is there any interest in having an auction?

CHIEF MILHOAN: I'll go first, I guess. We have had the Street Department employees take anything that we don't need any more down there from our department. So, I, currently, don't have anything right now that I need to get rid of. Everything that I would like to get rid of is already down there.

MR. BOND: I t's already down there?
CHIEF MILHOAN: Yes, sir.
MR. BOND: Okay.
MR. GRIMM: We also went up and separated all the tables and chairs and kind of categorized everything that came out of Kunkel—didn't come out of Kunkel but was associated with Kunkel for the sale. And we also have everything down there. So, we don't have anything, you know, other than what's there now.

MR. BOND: Is there an inventory list that exists?

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MR. GRIMM: I don't have a list. The majority of the stuff that's down there is, you know, tables and chairs and filing cabinets and stuff of that nature, mostly office equipment. Not a whole lot of anything of much value I wouldn't think.

MAYOR HILL: Okay. Anything else?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Public Safety and Police, Mr. Reider?

MR. REIDER: Yes, Mr. Mayor. We just have your appointments that you're going to make. Hope that Council would support both of those appointments. That's all.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Don?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Public Safety, Fire and EMS, Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: No report tonight, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Howard?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Public Utilities, Mrs. Jones?

MRS. JONES: We met this evening hoping to have the legislation for the metering pit and so forth tonight, but that didn't happen. So, we have nothing, really.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Karen?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Recreation, Planning, Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Just support for the one piece of legislation, please.

MAYOR HILL: Questions for Lamar?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Okay. Legislation. I'm not allowed to comment when legislation first comes on the floor, but I would like to comment before it comes on for the Resolution about the tax abatements. I don't support that. I talked to the school Superintendent. He feels that every one should be taken on a case-by-case basis, which I agree with that. The Enterprise Zone already has parameters and the CRA also has parameters for what can be given. I know our former School Board liaison many times at the School Board meetings has asked the School Board to pass a Resolution to eliminate tax abatements at 50 percent. And the School Board did have a meeting a couple nights ago and the proponents of this piece of legislation weren't there, and they have not in the last year and a half supported anything like this. When tax abatements do come to the floor, Council has the right to vote their conscience whether it be up or whether it be down.
Our revenue has been substantially decreased because of the loss of General Motors, and I think if other businesses would like to come here—everybody says, well, we're losing money. But if you look at every abatement, there is not a net loss. We're only abating the building. We still get the land taxes. If it weren't for the power plant, which got a hundred percent abatement—right now, according to the school Superintendent, the schools are bringing in more money from the power plant than they even get from the state. The school is derived off of primarily the property taxes and state funding. We're deriving off of businesses taxes and employee taxes, which are down. So, what sort of message are we sending out to say, well, we're going the start limiting

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it?

I know there's been talk about Jackson having no abatements. But I will tell you talking to the Regional Chamber and to one of the trustees down there, there are a lot of companies which haven't even looked at Jackson because of their no-abatement policy. I'm not a fan of abatements. But it is the way of the world. If it weren't for the abatement, right now, for the power plant, our School Board would be doing the hustle to try to figure out how they were even going to exist if they could. And I feel this is tying our hands unnecessarily. The School Board hasn't passed it in the last year and a half. I do not support that. Thank you.

MR. BLANK:

Bill, can we have the first piece of legislation. From Finance Committee For Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY REVISIONS TO THE REVENUE PURSUANT TO THE AMENDED CERTIFICATE DATED AUGUST 19, 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL:

Comments or motions?

MR. RADTKA:

Motion to suspend.

MAYOR HILL:

Motion to suspend by Radtka. Second?

MR. SHEELY:

Second.

MAYOR HILL:

Second by Sheely. Roll call, please.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mrs. Jones?

MRS. JONES:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Radtka?

MR. RADTKA:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Reider?

MR. REIDER:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY:

Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL:

6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. LIMING:

So moved.

MR. BOND:

Second.

MAYOR HILL:

Moved by Liming; second by Bond. Comments? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Roll call, please.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Reider?

MR. REIDER:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Radtka?

MR. RADTKA:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING:

Yes.

MR. BLANK:

Mrs. Jones?

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MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to adopt. Ordinance 21-2019. Next, please.
MR. BLANK: From Planning and Zoning and Recreation Committee For Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING ORDINANCE NO. 70-2017 ESTABLISHING THE AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, THE HOURLY WAGES, AND OTHER TERMS OF REMUNERATION AND FURTHER REVISING THE POSITION DESCRIPTION FOR THE ASSISTANT PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR IN THE PLANNING AND ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS OF THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN EFFECTIVE AUGUST 9, 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions?
MRS. JONES: Motion to suspend.
MAYOR HILL: Motion to suspend by Jones. Is there a second?
MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Sheely. Roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?
MR. BOND: So moved.
MR. RADTKA: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Bond; second Radtka. Comments? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

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MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to adopt. Ordinance 22-2019, Next, please.

MR. BLANK: From Board of Public Affairs for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF SARCHIONE CHEVROLET, INC., 1572 STATE ROUTE 44, P.O. BOX 217, RANDOLPH, OHIO 44265, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 2019 CHEVROLET SILVERADO TRUCK, SUCH PROPOSAL BEING THE MOST RESPONSIVE, LOWEST AND BEST PROPOSAL, FOR USE BY THE UTILITY DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, I declare this Ordinance has had its first reading. Next, please.

MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee For Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS WITHIN VARIOUS FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions?

MRS. JONES: Motion to suspend.

MAYOR HILL: Motion to suspend the rules by Jones. Is there a second?

MR. LIMING: Second.

MAYOR HILL: Second by Liming. Roll call, please.

MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?

MRS. JONES: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?

MR. RADTKA: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?

MR. REIDER: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. RADTKA: So moved.

MAYOR HILL: Moved by Radtka. Second?

MR. REIDER: Second.

MAYOR HILL: Second by Reider. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call, please.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

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MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to adopt. Ordinance 23-2019. Next, please.
MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee For Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$20.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND INTO THE UNCLAIMED MONEY FUND PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 39-99 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions?
MR. RADTKA: Motion to suspend.
MAYOR HILL: Motion to suspend by Radtka. Second?
MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Sheely. Roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?
MR. LIMING: So moved.
MR. BOND: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Liming; second Bond. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?

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MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to adopt. Ordinance 24-2019. Next, please.

MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee For Emergency Passage, A **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNT AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions?
MR. SHEELY: Motion to suspend the rules.
MAYOR HILL: Motion to suspend the rules by Sheely. Second?
MR. RADTKA: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Radtka. Roll call, please.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to suspend the rules. Motion to adopt?

MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Sheely. Second?
MR. LIMING: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Liming. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Roll call, please.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Radtka?
MR. RADTKA: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?
MR. BOND: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Reider?
MR. REIDER: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?
MR. LIMING: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mrs. Jones?
MRS. JONES: Yes.
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

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MR. SHEELY Yes.

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

MAYOR HILL: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to adopt. Resolution 13-2019. Next, please.

MR. BLANK: From Council as a Whole For Emergency Passage, A **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY LIMITING TAX ABATEMENTS AWARDED TO QUALIFYING BUSINESSES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.61 AND 5709.63 ET SEQ. (ENTERPRISE ZONE TAX ABATEMENT) AND OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 3735.65 (COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX ABATEMENT) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR HILL: Comments or motions? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, I declare this Resolution has had its first reading.

Is there any old business Council would like to discuss at this time?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
Hearing none, new business. I'll go first. Everybody heard during caucus the appointments for the full-time police officer. I'm proud to make a recommendation having Brett Blank, effective September 1, fill Mark Reese's slot. Is there a motion to that effect?

MR. RADTKA: I'll make that motion, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HILL: Motion by Radtka.

MR. LIMING: I'll second that.

MAYOR HILL: Second by Liming. Comments or questions on the motion? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

All in favor?

COUNCIL: Aye.

MAYOR HILL: Opposed? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried. Now we have to take him off the Road Department effective the first too, or he just walks off?

SOLICITOR DUTTON: There should be a paper trail that shows he's no longer employed.

MAYOR HILL: I'll entertain a motion to have Brett Blank taken off the Road Department as an employee effective September 1.

MR. LIMING: So moved.

MAYOR HILL: Moved by Liming.

MR. SHEELY: Second.

MAYOR HILL: Second Sheely. Comments or questions on the motion? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

All in favor?

COUNCIL: Aye.

MAYOR HILL: Opposed? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.

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Next, recommendation of the Police Chief putting Kenneth Schick on as a part-time dispatcher. Kenny is here this evening, and I'm proud to make that recommendation.

MRS. JONES: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Jones. Second?
MR. SHEELY: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Sheely. Comments or questions on the motion?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Also, everyone should have had in their box an appointment for the Water Department for Doug Byers, effective back to July 16. I'll entertain a motion to that effect.

MR. SHEELY: So moved.
MAYOR HILL: Moved by Sheely. Second?
MRS. JONES: Second.
MAYOR HILL: Second by Jones. Comments?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)
All in favor?
COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried.
Is there any other new business at this time?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Hearing none, are there any public remarks? Mark?
MR. MCGRAIL: Do I have to say my name again?
MAYOR HILL: Yes.
MR. MCGRAIL: Mark McGrail, 3656 Goldner Lane, Lordstown, Ohio. Just very quickly with regards to the tax abatement again. Tax abatements in of themselves are a complicated issue, and I agree with Terry Armstrong over there. I would like to see them—instead of just passing them blanket for everybody that comes into town, it should be taken more on a case-by-case basis. There should be negotiations and the School Board should be heavily involved in that negotiation, which that situation does not exist now.
One of the things, also, that is complicated is real estate development. One of the primary adages is location, location, location. We have one of the best locations in this county and probably within five counties. And that's why you see companies here. North Jackson does not give tax abatements. They're still getting development. Think about that. There is something in the location in North Jackson that those businesses like. And what we need to do when a development comes to the area, instead of just giving it away as if we're worth nothing, we need to sell what we have.

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This is a great village. It's a great location. And I'm just tired of it being given away as if we're worth nothing. Over the next two readings, I hope you'll continue to consider these issues. Thank you.

MAYOR HILL:

I would like to address that. North Jackson, any expansion they've had—you know, there was a big article on TV 27, which was brought up at Council meetings—talking about all the expansion down there. Well, we wouldn't give an abatement for Dunkin Donuts, as I saw on Facebook. We wouldn't be giving an abatement for the truck stop because our interchange is different. It's a toll interchange rather than a free interchange. It was brought up about Fed Ex and they're expanding. Well, you know, they got an abatement the first time around and after that, they already had the land. So, they weren't going to go anywhere.

If you talk about Purfoods, they brought and built a new business on the corner of Bailey and Mahoning Avenue, but they already had a kitchen right around the corner there. They want to merge their two facilities in a close proximity. So, they weren't going to be going anyplace else.

Another one, which has been talked about, is Call 811 Before You Dig. That's a state entity. They don't pay property taxes anyhow. So we heard about no abatements and how there has been a boom. But, if you sit and dig a little bit deeper, that's not necessarily the case.

Are there any other public remarks?

MR. BOND:

I've got a remark, Mr. Mayor. You said that 911—not 911, 811 is a state entity. That is absolutely not true. It's a non-profit organization. It is not a state agency.

I talked to a gentleman today about it. Jack Bennett, he's a service coordinator in their public awareness. This is what he informed me of. They're organized as a non-profit organization, not a state agency. If you look at their website, you'll also see that mentioned. So, I wanted to point that out.

MAYOR HILL:

How about the other ones? Am I correct there?

MR. BOND:

Run it all by me again, and we'll see what we have to say on that.

MAYOR HILL:

Fed Ex.

MR. BOND:

Fed Ex is there. No doubt about it.

MAYOR HILL:

I know, but they were there originally and they got a tax abatement. They weren't going to go someplace else for a—

MR. BOND:

That is your opinion.

MAYOR HILL:

Well, I've talked to a trustee from North Jackson, Mr. Jakubec, who was not there when they did reject having tax abatements. And, basically, everybody says, well, we're giving everything away. I will tell you the power plant, if they did not get the abatement, which they got, they were going to Salem, Ohio—

MR. BOND:

Well—

MAYOR HILL:

—and also TJX, which split our village apart and I took a lot of flak off of Facebook from a select few. But, if you take a look at that, they were on their way to east central Pennsylvania. And people can say, well, they weren't going to go. They most certainly were. But they made a commitment because when we first met with them, they knew there would be some road bumps—and to say road

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bumps is going quite politely. But they decided. They made a commitment to stay here. They had a lot of money invested in that site originally. So, they decided to stay. So, Bob, we don't have to debate this but you have your opinion; I have mine.

MR. BOND:

That's right.

MAYOR HILL:

Are there any other public remarks?

MR. BOND:

I'm not done, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HILL:

Okay.

MR. BOND:

What you just said, you make it sound like we're trying to eliminate tax abatements. That's what North Jackson did. That is not what we're advocating here. We are advocating that a lot of our competition for development is over in the area that is aligned with North Jackson in a lot of ways on Bailey Road. There's a lot of similarities between the infrastructure between the Turnpike access between the interstate access. They have completely eliminated it. I think we would be wise in going with the 50 percent. And, also, cutting the duration of it from a maximum 15 years to ten. If a business doesn't know whether or not they can make it in ten years, that's their problem. Ten years is a reasonable figure; 50 percent is a reasonable figure when your main competition is at zero. These abatements affect not only our schools, they affect a small extent of the village, county taxes, senior services, Fairhaven—quite a few different things—libraries. And we're giving away all their money. And they don't have a place at the table. Joint Vocational School is another one. So, I think 50 percent is a reasonable figure. Because if things go bad for the schools, and they have to come back to a levy, that will make it harder to pass when you have 100 percent abatements out there for business and 75 percent. Fifty percent is a starting point. This is a policy. And I think it's a good one. I advocate it, and I would appreciate passage of it. Thank you.

MAYOR HILL:

Are there any other public remarks?

MRS. JONES:

Yes. I'd like to say one thing. The facility that Purfoods built did not replace their kitchen around the corner. It replaced what they were doing in Austintown. My daughter works there, and she worked in Austintown until they moved to the new facility. So, it is not the same as the kitchen around the corner. That's a packaging facility that is at the particular corner.

MAYOR HILL:

I agree, but they wanted to locate those facilities nearby so they're going—

MRS. JONES:

Well, they're doing renovations on the place in Austintown because they can't produce fast enough. So they're probably going to be opening that up again.

MAYOR HILL:

Any other public remarks?

(NO RESPONSE.)

Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

MR. REIDER:

So moved, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR HILL:

Moved by Mr. Reider. Second?

MR. LIMING:

Second.

MAYOR HILL:

Second by Mr. Liming. Comments?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

All in favor?

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COUNCIL: Aye.
MAYOR HILL: Opposed?
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

(WHEREAS, THE REGULAR MEETING BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.)

_____, Mayor

_____, Clerk

STATE OF OHIO)
)
COUNTY OF TRUMBULL)

I, Sharon K. Vigorito, a Notary Public, within and for the State of Ohio, do certify that the foregoing meeting before the Lordstown Village Council was written in the presence of witnesses and by me transcribed. I further certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript to the best of my abilities.

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