



**Village of Commercial Point  
Council Meeting Minutes  
July 12, 2021**

Mayor Goldhardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Administrative Assistant Baldwin took roll call with the following members present: Mr. Mitchem, Ms. Joiner, Ms. Wolfe, and Mr. Thompson. Ms. Geiger and Mr. Grassel were not present.

A motion was made to approve the June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes by Ms. Joiner and seconded by Mr. Mitchem. All members present were in favor and the motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes by Ms. Joiner and seconded by Mr. Thompson. All members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Administrative Reports:

- A. Mayor's Report – Mayor Goldhardt presented his report to Council.
- B. Village Solicitor's Report – Solicitor Cartee discussed the legislation on the agenda for the evening. He advised that he, along with the Mayor, Fiscal Officer Hastings and the village representative attended the Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC) meeting. He explained the purpose of the TIRC Board.
- C. Police Chief's Report – Chief Jordan advised they will pick up the new cruiser tomorrow and it will be ready for service. Ms. Joiner asked if he had followed up the Sheriff's Department on assistance with coverage. Chief Jordan advised Mayor Goldhardt would discuss that issue later in the meeting.
- D. Village Administrator's Report – Administrator Crego informed Council that we should receive the Final Plans on the Walker Road project this week and that it will be ready for bid. He said the Welch Road walking path contract has been given to Roesse Brothers and they will begin work in September. He said there are several repairs that are needed and if council is aware of any other repairs, to please email them to him. He informed Council that the Teays Valley School Board has approved the use of their easement to connect a walkway from Carmel Court to the sidewalk coming off of West Alley. He also said that all signs requested by Council have been ordered.
- E. Village Engineer's Report – They were not present.
- F. Zoning Inspector's Report – He was not present.
- G. Fiscal Officer's Report – Fiscal Officer Hasting said that the 2018 and 2019 audit has been completed. The auditors have asked if Council would like a meeting to discuss the audit. Council did not feel the need to meet with them.

Legislative Reports:

- A. Tracy Joiner -She had nothing to report at this time.
- B. Laura Wolfe – She had nothing to report at this time.
- C. Ryan Mitchem – He had nothing to report at this time.
- D. Jason Thompson – He had nothing to report at this time.



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Citizen Comments:

Mr. Glen Step said he is there speaking for his neighbor Lisa. He feels there should be more transparency with the project on State Route 104. He said he was not sure if there should be emails sent out or updates on the webpage explaining what is going on with the warehouse project. He said there is a concern with bright lights at night as warehouses are continued to be built. He also talked about the increased traffic on State Route 104.

Business Items:

A. 2022 Tax Budget – A motion was made to accept the 2022 Budget by Ms. Wolfe and seconded by Mr. Thompson. All members present were in favor and the motion passed.

B. New Fire Station Tap Fees – Council discussed waiving the tap fees for the new Scioto Township Fire Department. Mayor Goldhardt advised Council that a decision could not be made this evening because it would require legislation.

C. Employee Guidelines – Mayor Goldhardt informed Council that there are a few updates to the Employee Guidelines. Council discussed keeping the COVID policy in place, but renaming it Pandemic or Infectious Disease Policy. Mayor Goldhardt said that after Solicitor Cartee finishes his review, it will be sent out to Council for their input.

D. Recycling Survey & Bids – Council discussed what they want included in the new trash collection bid. They felt that the current residences should be given an option whether or not to recycle, but new residences should not have an option. Ms. Joiner also asked to consider a weekly pick up for recycling.

Legislation:

First Reading:

Resolution 21-2021 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER AND/OR THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER'S APPOINTEE AS THE PUBLIC RECORDS CUSTODIAN FOR THE VILLAGE OF COMMERCIAL POINT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 149.43(E)(2).

Mayor Goldhardt did a first reading, title only.

Ms. Joiner A motion was made to adopt Resolution 21-2021 by Ms. Joiner and seconded by Ms. Wolfe. Roll call vote: Mr. Thompson - Yes, Ms. Joiner - Yes, Mr. Mitchem - Yes, and Ms. Wolfe - Yes. The motion passed.

Second Reading:

Ordinance 2021-20 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF COMMERCIAL POINT TO REPLACE CHAPTER 1191 OF THE ZONING CODE

Mayor Goldhardt did a second reading, title only.

A discussion was held and the Council agreed that there needs to be a few changes in the Ordinance for consistency. They decided to discuss this ordinance at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Additional Items:

Mayor Goldhardt asked Council if they wanted to ask the Sheriff's Department for assistance with coverage while Chief Jordan is on vacation. The cost would be approximately \$3,000.00 for the week. He said we currently have seven positions in the Police Department. Two officers are on military leave, one position is vacant, one officer is on disability and one will be on vacation. That leaves only two officers to cover the entire week. Council agreed that they want the coverage. Fiscal Officer Hastings will prepare a request to move money for the next meeting. Mr. Thompson said he feels that we should not be in this position and asked Chief Jordan to have a complete presentation prepared for what is needed to make this Police Department whole by the Committee of the Whole Meeting in August. Council discussed vacating a parttime position and making it a fulltime position. Mr. Thompson asked Solicitor Cartee to also have legislation prepared to move forward with vacating the position. Ms. Joiner and Mr. Mitchem stated that they do not support vacating the parttime position.