

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 24, 2017 @ 7:30pm**

**Council Members Present:** Zircher, Daily, Tennant, Felbaum, Ertuncay

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Present:** Scott Gilliland- Mayor  
Jamie Argyle – Fiscal Officer  
Brandon Roberts, Village Administrator  
Wesley Barton- Police Chief

Mayor Gilliland called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.; followed by roll call; led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and asked for a moment of silence for the US Armed Forces.

Minutes: Mayor Gilliland asked for Council to take a minute to review the minutes from 10/10/2017. Gilliland asked if there were any changes or corrections. Councilwoman Tennant asked in the round robin section that Fultz stated if council does nothing at this point that would put the Mayor in the position to appoint someone after 30 days; Tennant asked for clarification if what was agreed at the last council meeting that the Mayor would appoint the person with the highest number of votes in the election to serve on council for the next few council meetings of 2017 then officially take their seat on council as of January; Gilliland responded yes if council does nothing at this point after 30 days he can appoint someone. Gilliland will appoint the person with the highest number of votes on election day and if Tennant would have the most votes it would then go to the person with the second highest votes. Gilliland asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Councilwoman Tennant moved to approve the October 10, 2017 minutes, Seconded by Councilman Felbaum. Roll call: Ayes: Felbaum, Tennant, Zircher, Daily, Ertuncay. Nays: None.

**Public Comments:**

Mr. Steve Keech addressed the council asking for an update on the State Audit, Canal Winchester water issue and the 2018 Budget. Gilliland responded that the audit is still in process and has not been given a date as to when this might be done however once it is done it will be publicly available. Gilliland also added that we just paid out 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter bill for Canal Winchester; We still have funds unappropriated and hoping to pay substantial portion of this off at end of year however there is \$200K set aside in next year's budget if we are unable to pay it off this year; Gilliland stated that the budget was submitted to the Fairfield County Budget Commission and is in the process of working on the amended appropriations budget for funds that may go up or down and hopefully able to present at the next council meeting; Gilliland will try to have a Finance meeting for their review prior to it being present to council.

Tara Wynkoop, in audience asked about the Canal Winchester issue, monitoring the flow of the pumps and asking if there has been a resolution; Gilliland responded that we monitor the meter that goes in to Canal Winchester, and that smoke testing has been. Gilliland stated there is not a quick solution and he has been looking for grant money as well as speaking with OPWC. OPWC's opinion that the Villages rates are not where they should be and they do not issue grants for the Village not charging their residents enough money. Gilliland stated that Roberts and himself need to test all the step systems however that will be a long process.

**Old Business:**

2nd reading of Ordinance 31-17 – To create Lithopolis Parks Advisory Board

### New Business:

Emergency reading of Ordinance 33-17 - Giving consent to the Village to plow snow 2017/2018 winter season. Councilwoman Tennant asked if we have no subordinates in place before; Gilliland responded we have to do one for each year. Village resident asked if we have to give consent to county; Gilliland responded that we have to give consent to the county if they are within the Village limits, it is ok for them to plow snow but not but down salt or brine. Village resident asked if we pay for that; Gilliland responded yes with county funds that we pay for in our taxes, however the Village does not directly pay for that. Village resident asked why not allow County to put down salt or brine; Gilliland responded he was not sure however another Village resident interjected and stated that the County will not spend their money within our corporation limits. Village resident asked if the County is liable for any damage outside the Village; Gilliland responded that would be a County question. Gilliland asked for a motion to suspend the three readings; Councilman Felbaum motioned; Seconded by Councilwoman Ertuncay. Roll Call: Ayes; Tennant, Felbaum, Daily, Ertuncay, Zircher. Nays: None. Gilliland asked for a motion to pass Ordinance; Councilman Zircher motioned; Seconded by Councilwoman Daily. Roll Call: Ayes; Zircher, Daily, Ertuncay, Tennant, Felbaum. Nays; None. Ordinance passed.

Emergency reading of Resolution 09-17 - Allowing temporary street closure and authorizing Simply Christmas temporary use of the Old Fire Station and Memorial Park. Councilwoman Tennant asked where will the street closures be; Gilliland responded closing Market St. between Columbus St. and the alley. Councilman Zircher asked if closing the streets for this new; Councilwoman Daily responded stating they have closed streets in the past for the pet parade; Gilliland also stated they will have a Fire Truck for kids to go on, petting zoo and games set up. Also, kids will be able to decorate the tree with paper ornaments. Councilman Zircher asked if there is a separation of church and state issue with this; Councilwoman Daily said there is no money coming in to this event from the Village. Village resident asked why the Resolution is authorizing the Mayor to close the streets and not the Village Administrator who already has the authority to do so; Gilliland responded that the Resolution states the Mayor is authorizing the Village Administrator to close the streets not the Mayor closing the streets. Councilman Felbaum stated he would not see an issue with separation of church and state since the Village is not doing any Church related events. Gilliland asked for a motion to suspend the three readings; Councilman Felbaum motioned; Seconded by Councilwoman Ertuncay. Roll Call: Ayes; Daily, Ertuncay, Tennant, Felbaum, Zircher. Nays: None. Gilliland asked for a motion to pass Resolution. Councilwoman Ertuncay motioned; Seconded by Councilman Felbaum. Roll call: Ayes; Ertuncay, Tennant, Zircher, Daily, Felbaum. Nays: None. Resolution passed.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of Resolution 10-17 – Village of Lithopolis adopting 2017 Fairfield County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Councilwoman Tennant asked what is the Village participation in this; Gilliland responded that the Village has participated in this for years and whenever they update their plan each participant has to adopt the new plan to remain a part of the organization. Councilman Zircher stated that the Villages short term action plan was from January 2018 to March 2018 to consult with engineers the cost of the remaining lift stations and hire a contractor and establish a timeline as to the completion of improving the Village lift stations. Councilman Zircher asked if we are on track with that; Brandon advised they are working on it; Gilliland stated part of that is the updated radio systems that are being implemented. Councilman Zircher also asked why we did not use the FFC suggested Resolution they provided; Gilliland responded that it was not in the format that the Village uses for Ordinances and Resolution; That we tweaked some verbiage, authorized by Mr. Fultz, and used our Resolution format. Councilman Zircher advised he preferred their format better; Gilliland replied that council can review which format they prefer and can advise as to which; We can amend the Resolution if necessary prior to the next council meeting. Councilman Felbaum asked if every town, city, village adopt this;

Gilliland replied not everyone does however the Village has been a part of this for several years, and only one did not participate. Councilman Felbaum also asked if this costs the Village anything; Councilman Zircher stated this helps the Village be eligible for grants.

Emergency reading of Resolution 11-17 – Appointing Jamie L. Argyle as designee for public records. Gilliland advised that a motion for this was done in the last council meeting however we felt necessary to put in a Resolution. Gilliland asked for a motion to suspend the three readings; Councilwoman Tennant motioned; Seconded by Councilwoman Ertuncay. Roll Call: Ayes; Tennant, Ertuncay, Daily, Felbaum, Zircher. Nays: None. Gilliland asked for a motion to pass Resolution; Councilwoman Daily motioned; Seconded by Councilwoman Tennant; Roll Call: Ayes; Ertuncay, Felbaum, Zircher, Daily, Tennant. Nays: None. Resolution passed.

### **Reports:**

Village Administrator: Roberts stated they got a new plow for the truck, also working on getting the trucks ready for winter and that Scott has done a lot of service on those; Salt was not purchased last season for this season so he is scrambling trying to find salt for the season. He is checking with different Villages to see if we can get a little from each. He introduced two new employees; Water Operator Stephen Kill and General Maintenance Worker Kevin Lawson. Councilman Felbaum asked if we passed anything for salt last year; Gilliland responded we did appropriations Ordinance to buy salt for the Water Plant. Felbaum asked if we have any salt leftover; Roberts responded that we do have some approx. 4-5 ton however we need approx. 80 tons a season.

Chief Barton: Doesn't have a council report right now and will defer that to next month.

Fiscal Officer: Nothing

Mayor: Nothing

### **Round Robin:**

Tennant: Nothing

Daily: Stated she has been asked several times about certain properties, (Green house, Shear Art and Columbus St. property) - Is there anything going to be done with those properties; Brandon responded not at this time for the Green house and no one can get a hold of anyone at the Columbus St. property.

Ertuncay: Nothing

Felbaum: Nothing

Zircher: Nothing

Gilliland then asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Councilman Felbaum; Seconded by Councilwoman Ertuncay; Rollcall: Ayes; Felbaum, Tennant, Zircher, Daily, Ertuncay. Nays: None. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:09 p.m.**



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**Grant Felbaum**  
**President**



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**Jamie L. Argyle**  
**Clerk, Village of Lithopolis3**