

**Council of the Village of Yellow Springs
Work Session Minutes**

Virtual Zoom @8:15am

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council Brian Housh called the meeting to order at 8:17am.

ROLL CALL

Present were President Housh, Vice President Marianne MacQueen and Council members Kevin Stokes, Lisa Kreeger and Laura Curliss. Also present were Village Manager Josue Salmeron, Finance Director Matt Dillon, Sergeant Naomi Watson and Public Works Director Johnnie Burns.

BUDGET SESSION

The Capital budget was presented by Salmeron and Burns. Burns moved through the budget, discussing and justifying requests over \$10,000.

MacQueen stressed that obtaining a hybrid Police cruiser is a priority for her, and Watson agreed to follow up with cost information.

Curliss several times pushed back against the amount of money allocated for infrastructure improvements, stating that the risk involved in drawing down the reserves is not outweighed by the improvements.

Burns, Stokes and MacQueen opposed this perspective, and Housh noted that this is a policy matter that may need further discussion on the part of Council.

Housh noted that the present Council has had to allocate funding for “twenty five years of deferred maintenance,” while the Village team has had to engage in the work.

Housh asked about another public meeting regarding budget.

Council discussed the Police Department budget, agreeing that having a clear narrative from the PD would be useful, to help in understanding what the tax dollars are used to support.

Salmeron suggested a presentation and Q&A session for a Town Hall, in addition to the two sessions which will take place for the reading of the ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:18am, Kreeger MOVED and Kreeger SECONDED a MOTION TO ADJOURN. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

Please note: These notes are not verbatim. Video of the meeting is available for viewing on YouTube, accessible from the Village website at: www.yso.com. Minutes are available upon request from the Clerk of Council or, once approved, from the Village website.

Brian Housh, Council President

Attest: Judy Kintner, Council Clerk